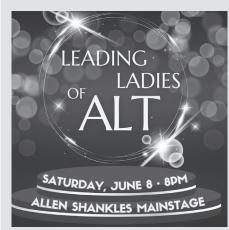
# Special Event



This one night only concert will showcase 8 of ALT's favorite female performers as they take the stage to share their musical talents and remind us why they are a leading lady of ALT. Act 1 of this concert will have each leading lady bring back a song they once performed on our ALT stage. You won't want to miss hearing them bring these fantastic roles back to life with these signature songs! Then stay for Act 2 as these leading ladies perform songs they would never get to play on the ALT stage! These iconic songs might be more of a male role or shows that can't be done at ALT. If that wasn't enough, other leading ladies from ALT will be highlighted throughout the night with performances from popular ALT shows.

Leading Ladies of ALT will star Christy Corder, Marley Hoggatt, Hunter Lee, Kristen Loyd, Terry Martin, Jenny Morgan, Annika Spalding and Lindsey Williams. This spectacular concert will also feature Connie Cannady, Carrie Huckabay, Shannon Mashburn, Treva Oller, Melanie Sanders, Jo Smith and Jeri Tidmore from *Calendar Girls*, Kissey Cummings, Saturn Horton, Tia Hunt and Aspen Younker from *Beautiful* and Kallie Huckabay, Brooklynn King and Kiara Tennille from *RENT*.

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This special event is sure to be one of the most exciting concerts ever produced at ALT. You will not want to miss it! Special thanks to Reed Beverage for sponsoring the Reed Beverage open bar. Check out patron levels and tickets prices listed below!

### **Ticket Prices**

#### Event Ticket: \$50.00

Includes 1 seat to the concert plus invitation to pre-show cocktail reception at 7:30pm with open bar as well as open bar during intermission.

Show Only Ticket: \$25.00

Includes 1 seat to the concert.

Tickets go on sale Wednesday, May 22, 2024 to season ticket holders.

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# 2024-25 SEASON OF SHOWS

Do you have your season tickets for the exciting new Amarillo Little Theatre Season? We guarantee that this is a season of shows that is not to missed. There is certainly something for everyone in this diverse season which will include some of the finest Broadway productions ever produced. We invite you to join us for another spectacular season of shows at ALT!

ALT's 97th season will begin August 15 at the ALT Adventure Space with the captivating play *The Drowning Girls*. This drama explores the surreal true events of Bessie, Alice and Margaret who had two things in common: they were married to George Joseph Smith, and they are dead. Surfacing from the bathtubs they were drowned in, the three breathless brides gather evidence against their womanizing, murderous husband by reliving the shocking events leading up to their deaths. This play is going to be a perfect Adventure Space show to start off our season.

Early in September ALT will mix sugar, butter and flour as we present the musical *Waitress*. ALT was given exclusive early rights to this production and we will be one of the first community theatres to produce this popular musical. The show is centered around Jenna, a waitress and expert pie-maker who dreams of a way out of her small town and rocky marriage. When a baking contest in a nearby county — and a satisfying run-in with someone new — show Jenna a chance at a fresh start, she must find the courage to seize it. Featuring music and lyrics by Grammy Award winner Sara Bareilles, this hit musical is a little slice of Broadway heaven that will run September 5-22.

We will stay at the Mainstage in October with our production of *Arsenic and Old Lace*. This classic, dark comedy is centered around drama critic Mortimer Brewster's engagement and how the discovery of a corpse in his elderly aunts' window seat almost ruins everything. Realizing his aunts believe that killing old men to relieve them of their loneliness is an act of kindness mixed with Mortimer's own hesitancy about marriage — it'll be a miracle if Mortimer makes it to his wedding!

In December, we collaborate with the Academy as we present the holiday musical *A Christmas Story*. ALT first produced this show 10 years ago and we knew it was time to bring it back. This show follows Ralphie Parker and his quest to obtain the ultimate Christmas gift - an Official Red Ryder carbine-action 200-shot Range Model air rifle. All your favorite movie moments will be found on stage with this fun, "leg lamp" sized holiday musical running December 5-22.

In January, ALT will produce *Dial M for Murder*. This new version of the celebrated murder mystery that inspired Hitchcock's masterpiece will be one not to be missed. You'll be kept guessing until the end and gripping the edge of your seat through the twists and turns of this stylish thriller of blackmail and revenge. Be sure to make plans to catch this mystery January 16-26.

We move back to the Adventure Space in February as we present the musical *First Date*. This hilarious musical follows blind date newbie Aaron and serial-dater Casey as they are set up on a date. As the evening unfolds, Casey and Aaron's inner critics take on a life of their own when other restaurant patrons transform into supportive best friends, manipulative exes and protective parents, who sing and dance them through ice-breakers, appetizers and potential conversational land mines. Come see if this couple can turn what could be a dating disaster into something special before the check arrives? This show will be the perfect Valetine's date night as the show runs February 6-16!

In April, ALT will produce the critically acclaimed drama *33 Variations*. This play centers around a mother coming to terms with her daughter and a composer coming to terms with his genius. Even though they're separated by 200 years, these two people share an obsession that might, even just for a moment, make time stand still. Nominated for the 2009 Tony Award for Best Play, this show will be one of next seasons most talked about shows.

Finally, ALT will present the Motown inspired musical *Dreamgirls* in May to close out the season. Inspired by the stories of groups such as The Supremes and The Shirelles, this musical follows the rising stardon of the Dreamettes, an all-girl singing group from Chicago. Made into a wildly successful 2006 motion picture and winner of 6 Tony Awards including Best Musical, this show is going to blow the roof the Mainstage! You will certainly want to be in the audience for this one!

In addition to these fantastic shows, the Academy will produce three top notch productions all based on popular books. *The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical* will light up the stage July. This show is currently one of the most produced shows for students and I know our Academy is going to make this show spectacular. The classic children's book *Charlotte's Web* will come to life at the Adventure Space in November. The beloved story of how the pig Wilbur meets the spider Charlotte is one that warms all hearts. Audiences will leave that play saying "SOME SHOW" for sure! The Academy will then enter the world of *James and the Giant Peach* in March. This version of the show is a musical with fantastic music from composer duo Pasek and Paul who wrote music for The Greatest Showman and Dear Evan Hansen. This delightful musical has a beautiful message that audiences of all ages are thoroughly going to enjoy!

Of course the best way to ensure that you will have the best seats for these amazing productions is to be a season ticket holder. ALT season ticket packages can be customized to fit your needs and they continue to be the BEST entertainment value in our area. I promise you don't want to miss a single one of these great productions. That's why you should purchase your season tickets today and guarantee you a great seat for every production.

Becoming an ALT season member is easy. Just complete the season ticket form online, over the phone or in person at the ALT Box Office. Don't forget, if you purchase a season ticket package before July 1, you will get bonus tickets! So renew or purchase your season ticket package today and join us for another exciting year of great theatre! ALT ... it's the place to be!

### Director's Notes



As I write this article, we have just wrapped the run of Spamalot and I am sitting in my office reflecting on what a memorable season we just had. ALT's 96th season certainly was a strong one that provided something for everyone. From Judy Garland and "boys in the band" to golden tickets and galloping coconuts, this season expanded our production value to new heights. I am so proud of all the work that was done this season and must thank guest directors **Ben Burke, Carrie Huckabay, Callie Hisek** and **Terri Wilson** for sharing their creative talent with us as well as **Jennifer Akins** and **Jacob Miller** for providing music director this season. Also kudos to **Nikki Harrada, Christeen Bernet** and **Shawn Walsh** who kick ball changed our musicals into high gear with their stunning choreography. We could not have had such a successful season without the hundreds of volunteers who gave us their time, talent and support. We will get to celebrate all the accomplishments this season and honor some of our fantastic volunteers at this years ALT Celebration on June 22nd. I hope you will plan to attend!

Speaking of attending, do you have your tickets for the **Leading Ladies of ALT** Special Event? This one night only concert is going to be EPIC! We will have 22 ladies return to our stage and share their talent with us again on June 8th at 8pm. There are going to be some

memorable performances and you are not going to want to miss it! Special thanks to Al and Patricia Smith for co-producing this special fundraiser as well as Reed Beverage for sponsoring the open bar.

This edition of the Curtain Call lists out all the shows we will be producing for our 97th season. It promises to be another fantastic season of shows and I am very excited. Here is where we need your help though! Sadly, contributions towards productions (and ALT as a whole) have gone down significantly these past three years while our expenses have increased. We certainly don't want any of our productions to suffer in quality because of this. I am sure you have all appreciated that all of our actors now wear microphones for all productions. In the past, it was just for the musicals. I am sure you have all noticed the sets at the theatre have become more intricate and detailed including the addition of projections. Maybe you have loved the quality of costumes and wigs that were on stage this season. Well, I have to remind you that all that extra attention to detail and excellence cost us a lot more money. And I am glad that we have done those things to provide a better theatre experience to each of our patrons. I certainly want our patrons to feel like they got their moneys worth when attending a show at ALT. The hard fact is that we can't sustain this level of production value without the

financial support of production partners and designated donations to these shows. I know all the arts entities in Amarillo are dealing with the same issue. My hope is that our ALT patrons and supporters will see the value in what we are doing and consider giving financial support towards a production. I would gladly invite any conversations with anyone who may be interested in becoming a production partner. Maybe you own a company that can donate resources to ALT to offset other costs or maybe you would like to consider adding ALT to your planned giving arrangements? Again, I invite anyone who would like to discuss this further to contact me at jason@amarillolittletheatre.org or by phone at 806-355-9991.

A great example of projects at ALT that we need help in funding is our library initiative called "Check Out ALT". This initiative provides free theatre tickets to our community through the public library system. Library card holders at Amarillo and Canyon libraries this past year were able to obtain 206 theatre tickets to see ALT shows free! Next year, we are proposing growing that number to 336. This project, however, is an \$8,712 project that we need funding for. We have applied for a grant to hopefully fund this project as we see the value in giving back to our community, This is a perfect example of how a company/family/couple could help fund these shows in order for us to still provide great quality entertainment to our patrons all while still giving back to our community.

As you can see, I am passionate about what we do here at ALT. I hope you are too! I do want to thank you for your continued support and commitment to ALT. We will strive daily to be worthy of your support of our organization and our work. I look forward to seeing you in June at our *Leading Ladies* event and the ALT Celebration

Jason Crespin ALT Managing/Artistic Director

# Academy Spotlight



Wow, what a busy Spring semester the Academy has had! Wrapping up all of our classes with showcases and recitals, plus the Ghost Light Gala celebrating our 31st season (not to mention all of the million of other things these students have going on at school and other places) kept us very busy! Now, school may be out, but the Academy is still in full swing! Registration is now available for camps and classes for all ages! With camps in dance, singing, acting and even an improv comedy class for adults, you can most certainly find a place for your student (or even yourself!) at ALT this summer. There are no dog days here!

Plus, we are at the very beginning of our latest adventure as the Academy presents *The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical* from July 12-21. We are so excited to bring this electrifying story to life on stage! Auditions are Monday and Tuesday, May 27th and 28th and are available for students 6th grade and up that were either registered in the Spring semester or currently registered for the summer semester. Don't miss out on your chance to help us tell this awesome story. This epic tale, based off of the beloved young adult novel, will kick off ALT's 97th season in an extraordinary way! Will you join us on this "Killer Quest?"

You'll want to go ahead and put these dates on your calendar: tickets for *The Lightning Thief* will go on sale to members on June 24th and to the public on July 1st. If you aren't a season ticket holder yet, what are you waiting for? It's by far the best deal in town! In case I don't say it enough, thank you for supporting the arts in Amarillo. Your contributions have helped us bring quality training to the talented students of the Panhandle for 32 seasons now. What an amazing accomplishment! I always highly recommend seeing what the outstanding kids of the Academy are up to - they will give you so much hope for the future of the arts in our community. Come check us out this season - we can't wait to see you at the theatre!

Harrison Stringer Academy Director

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