

Announcing the WBHS Theatre Arts Program's 2011-2012 Season!



Season Theme: FAMILY- The unit of association with the strongest bonds, the deepest intimacies, and the greatest influences across the span of our lives.

"Don't hold your parents up to contempt. After all, you are their son, and it is just possible that you may take after them." - Evelyn Waugh

FALL PRODUCTION: *Arsenic and Old Lace*, by Joseph Kesselring. WBHS Theatre Arts Program's 2011-2012 season kicks off with the timelessly appealing, outrageously hilarious comedy *Arsenic and Old Lace*. The Brewster sisters exist as the epitome of etiquette and charm. Though childless themselves, they've spent their lives doting on their beloved nephews, contributing to numerous charities, and endeavoring to offer a little comfort and peace to as many lost souls who come upon their doorstep as they possibly can. Of course, even the Brewster sisters have "their peculiarities." Don't miss your opportunity to catch the hilarious madness of the classic comedy tale.

Performance Dates:

Thursday, November 4th at 7:30pm ("M" Cast)
Friday, November 5th at 7:30pm ("J" Cast)

Saturday, November 6th at 2pm ("M" Cast)
Saturday, November 6th at 7:30pm ("J" Cast)

CHILDREN'S SHOW: *Snow White*, by Tim Kelly. The wonderful world of the Brothers Grimm is brought to life in this delightful adaptation. All our old friends are here — the lovely Princess, the mischievous Dwarfs, the Prince, the Huntsman, the evil Queen. But wait until you meet the hilarious palace Cat and the Enchanted Vixen. In this version, the Magic Mirror not only talks — it walks! Shiver and shake as the scheming Queen transforms herself into various personalities like Esmeralda, the young gypsy, and a withered Crone so horrible even the Queen herself is terrified! Don't forget that poisonous apple waiting for our heroine. Laughs, chases through the forest and more than enough stage magic to light up the box office and delight young audiences. This is one of the most popular tales of all time, and it never fails to enchant and amaze.

Performance Dates:

Fri, Dec. 3rd (daytime performance)
Sat, Dec. 4th at 2:00pm (public performance)

MIFA ONE-ACT PRODUCTION: *David's Mother*, by Bob Randall. The award winning author of *6 Rms Riv Vu*, *The Fan* and *Kate & Allie* delves into the nature of laughter and pain in this, his most telling play. There is a once in a lifetime bravura role in Sally, the mother of a mentally handicapped boy who uses her wickedly funny tongue to hold at bay a world that has the legal right, and intention, of taking him from her. The play moves gracefully from the present to the past and back again, from a crumbling marriage with her true love to a final chance at happiness with a doting suitor. This laugh out loud, cry out loud play is the basis for a CBS motion picture.

Performance Dates:

Sat, Jan. 29th (district festival)
Wed, Feb. 9th (dinner theatre)

Sat, Feb. 12th (regional festival)
Fri, Feb. 18th - Sat, Feb. 19th (state festival)

2012 Orchard Lake Student Film Festival: The Orchard Lake Student Film Festival returns to WBHS. This year's festival will feature a wide variety of student-made short films by high school filmmakers from across the Metro Detroit area. Don't miss your opportunity to witness the work of best and brightest young filmmakers from Southeast Michigan.

Performance Dates:

Fri, Feb 3rd (daytime festival)

SPRING PRODUCTION: *Children of Eden* with Book by John Caird and Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz. Seven years after staging *Pippin*, WBHS Theatre proudly presents another phenomenal production from lyricist and composer Stephen Schwartz. Freely based on the story of Genesis, *Children of Eden* is a frank, heartfelt and often humorous examination of the age-old conflict between parents and children. Adam, Eve, Noah and the "Father" who created them deal with the headstrong, cataclysmic actions of their respective children. The show ultimately delivers a bittersweet but inspiring message: that "the hardest part of love... is letting go."

Performance Dates:

Thursday, April 28th at 7:30pm
Friday, April 29th at 8:00pm
Saturday, April 30th at 8:00pm

For more information or to reserve seats and buy tickets contact Karen Brody by calling (248) 865-6720. Or visit us on the web at WBHSTheatre.com!