



Holland Civic Theatre's Civic Connection April 2015

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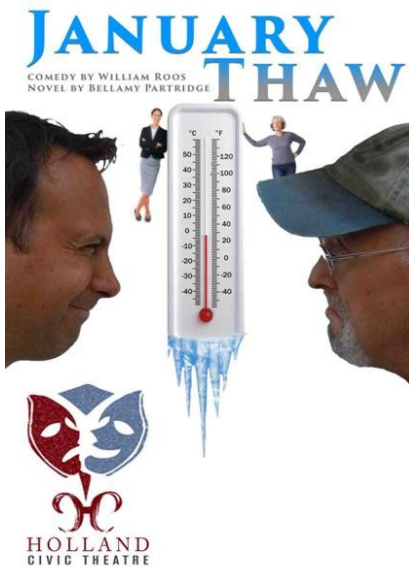
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January Thaw



The Gage family is happy to be out of the hustle and bustle of New York City. They have settled into their remodeled country home in Connecticut updating the home with all the modern amenities of the 1940s—including indoor plumbing and a furnace. Enter the old fashioned Jonathan and Matilda Rockwood and their son, Matt. The Rockwood's sold their home to the Electric Company with the stipulation that they could live in the house until they died. After traveling the country for 6 years, they have returned to home only to find that the Electric Company sold their home to the Gages. Both families have a legal right to the home and neither are willing to leave. As a contest for the possession begins, the two families are isolated together by a blizzard. In the freezing house, while the suffering Gages breakfast on what's left (cornflakes, molasses and olives), the smell of fresh biscuits comes from the rooms of the old-fashioned Rockwoods.

January Thaw opens April 9 at 7:30 with our traditional wine and appetizer reception. The show continues April 10, 11, 17, 18, 23, 24 & 25 at 7:30pm and a 2pm matinee on April 19. This is also our Tulip Time show running May 2-9.

*A Comedy. By William Roos. From the novel by Bellamy Partridge.
Directed by Jim Griffin; Assisted by Lisa Montgomery; Produced by Laurie Van Ark*

Cast of January Thaw

Frieda	Kimmy Snyder	Jonathan Rockwood	Tom Urbaniak
Herbert Gage	Richard Mulligan	Jonathan Rockwood	Dan Harrington
Herbert Gage	Michael Culp	Matilda Rockwood	Liz Barveld
Marge Gage	Sandra Griffin	George	Mychal Hilken
Barbara Gage	Chloe Montgomery	Uncle Walter	Brian Everitt
Barbara Gage	Mariana Ramirez Franco	Mr Loomis	Darrell Koopmans
Paula Gage	Jessica Furbush	Mr Loomis	Mark Korpi
Paula Gage	Leah Peirce	Matt Rockwood	Casey Drnek
Sarah Gage	Jessica DeCan	Carson	Tom Mooney
Sarah Gage	Natalie Rutherford	Constable	Lynda DeCan
Director	Jim Griffin	Stage Manager	Lisa Montgomery
Producer	Laurie Van Ark	Stage Manager	Lynda DeCan
Asst Director	Lisa Montgomery	Charge Painter	Jim Henke



Rehearsal pictures from
January Thaw



House Managers!!!

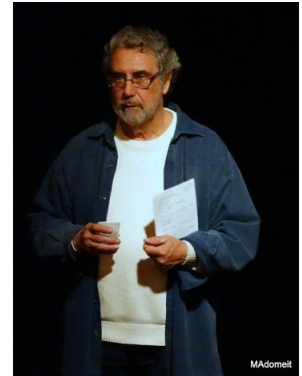
House managers have an important role in our theatre! They oversee the lobby area of our playhouse, greet and direct patrons as they enter the theatre, help with late seating and are prepared in the unlikely event of an emergency. They are the communications coordinator between the stage manager, box office, ushers and concessions. We are currently seeking volunteers to fill this very important position. If you are able to help, please contact Laurie Van Ark at laurievanark@gmail.com

Please consider donating your time!

NEED

HOLLAND CIVIC THEATRE TO REPRESENT MICHIGAN IN REGIONAL AACT FESTIVAL

Director, Phil Sturdevant



WE WON!!!! Congratulations to the cast & crew of *Revival at Possum Kingdom Community Church*!! They, along with director Phil Sturdevant, won the honor of being one of two theatres representing Michigan at AACTFest 2015 Region III festival to be held at the Midland Center for the Arts in Midland, Michigan April 16-19, 2015.

In addition to winning the Michigan AACTFest 2015 State Festival, the production was honored with Festival Adjudicator Awards for **Best Actor, Jack Oonk** and **Best Supporting Actress, Jo Lee Hanson**.

Revival at Possum Kingdom Community Church is written by South Haven playwright, Linda LaRocque and tells the story of Buddy and Alvo (played by Jack C. Oonk and Don Vanden Heuval) – two down-on-their-luck con men who find themselves broke and stranded in Possum Kingdom, Texas on a hot July day in 1950. Things start to look up with they convince kindly old Ella Faye (played by Jo Lee Hanson) and her friend Iris (played by Loretta Adometi) that they are just the preaching team that Possum Kingdom's under populated community church needs. Can the boys pull off a rip-roaring revival and make it out of town with cash in their pockets, or will the mid-hymn arrival of a misfortunate stranger (Brian M. Everitt) change Buddy and Alvo's outlooks for good?

Each competing team has a 10x10 foot box on the stage, including everything that can be used for a show - set, props and costumes. Every team must set up their show under 10 minutes, while the show itself must be no longer than 60 minutes. They only have up to 10 minutes to put it all back in the box and leave the stage.

AACTFest 2015 details are available at aactfest.org/15. The public is invited and encouraged to attend both the regional and national festivals. **Holland Civic Theatre performs at 7:20pm on Friday April 17.**

The next step after Regional's is the National festival this summer in Grand Rapids. It will showcase 12 community theatre productions from across the United States and the U.S. Military Overseas. In order to do this, HCT will need to beat out 9 other theatres from the states of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan for the top honors.

Holland Civic Theatre will offer an encore performance of *Rivival at Possom Kingdom Community Church* for the public to attend on April 11. It will be at First Presbyterian Church on State Street in Holland. The show starts at 2pm and is a free will offering to help offset the costs of representing Holland as well as Michigan in the Region III Finals. Donations to support the group can also be made by calling Holland Civic Theatre at 616-396-2021 during the hours of 6pm – 8:30pm M-F.

Best Actor



Jack C Oonk



Best Supporting Actress



Jo Lee Hanson

Alliance for Bilingual Arts

Calling all Actors and anyone interested in Bilingual Arts!
We are getting ready for our
first performance and
we need you!

Rehearsals

At Fried Hemenway Auditorium in Martha
Miller Center at Hope College

- Sunday, April 12 at 1 pm
- Saturday, April 25 at 1 pm
- Sunday, April 26 at 1 pm

Performance

Sunday, April 26 at 4 pm
At Holland Civic Theatre
50 W 9th St

Spanish
Speakers
strongly
encouraged
but not
necessary.

For More Information, Please Call:
Hope College
Theatre Department: 616-395-7600
Multicultural Education: 616-395-7867
or Holland Civic Theatre: 616-566-4059

An Introduction to the Potential of Bilingual Performance in Our Community

Interested in a fun activity for your kids this summer??? Consider joining the fun of one of our summer shows! This year we are presenting *The Velveteen Rabbit* for our students ages 8-13 and the musical, *Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr* for our teens ages 13-19. Auditions are May 18 & 19 at 6:30pm.

THE VELVETEEN RABBIT: In the world of toys, life begins when humans leave the room. When one group of toys discovers a velveteen rabbit, they learn what it means to be truly loved by their owner. Adapted from the classic story by Margery Williams, *The Velveteen Rabbit* tells the story of the unconditional love between a boy and his toy bunny and how that love makes the rabbit real.

THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE JR., based on the zany new musical that has taken Broadway by storm, is the high-spirited musical romp that has all of New York dancing the Charleston!

In New York City in 1922, young Millie Dillmount has just moved to the big city in search of a new life for herself. It's a New York full of intrigue and jazz – in a time when women were entering the workforce and the rules of love and social behavior were changing forever.

Filled with fun flappers, dashing leading men and a dragon-lady of a villainess audiences will love to hate, *Thoroughly Modern Millie JR.* is a perfectly-constructed evening of madcap merriment. Based on the popular movie, the stage version of includes a full score of new songs and bright dance numbers. With the role of Millie Dillmount, musical theatre has found a new heroine for the ages in *Thoroughly Modern Millie JR.!*

Ushers, Concessions Hosts and House Managers

We always need Ushers, Concession Hosts & House Managers for shows!!!! If you can help out, please go to www.signupgenius.com and sign up! Thank you! (Use laurievanark@gmail.com to find the signup.) Remember if there are seats available, you are welcome to stay and watch the production FOR FREE!!!



Rent the Theatre!!!

The HCT building is available to rent for your next event. Graduation, birthday, baby shower, movie night—let HCT be the venue for your next event!!!!

Call for directors!

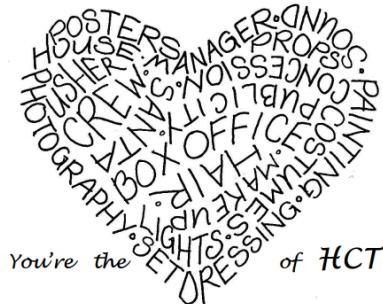
We are currently seeking directors for the 2015-2016 season. We ask all interested parties to submit a production proposal to our Artistic Committee using this form or emailing to hollandcivictheatre@yahoo.com.

Click on the following link to complete the form
<http://goo.gl/forms/raXy9YmM9Q>

Student Volunteer Hours

Are you a student needing volunteer hours? Do you know a student needing volunteer hours? HCT would love to help you fulfill your needed hours! Many different opportunities available!!

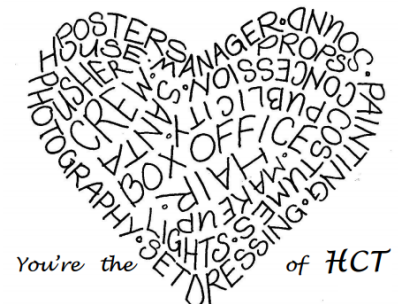
Contact Aimee Chipman at
chipman.zees@gmail.com.



*You're invited to
Holland Civic Theatre's
**Volunteer
Celebration**
Sunday, April 26
At 4:00pm*

**Entertainment
Food & Fun**

*RSVP to
Chipman.zees@gmail.com
By April 20th*



Dates you don't want to miss!

April 2015

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5	6	7	8	9 January Thaw 7:30pm Opening re- ception	10 January Thaw 7:30pm	11 Possum Kingdom 2pm (1st Presbyterian Church) January Thaw 7:30pm
12	13	14	15	16	17 Possum Kingdom 7:20pm (Midland) January Thaw 7:30pm	18 January Thaw 7:30pm
19 January Thaw 2pm	20	21 Board of Directors Meeting 6:30pm	22	23 January Thaw 7:30pm	24 January Thaw 7:30pm	25 January Thaw 7:30pm
26 Volunteer Ap- preciation Event 4pm	27	28	29	30		

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