

PRESENTING THE 2016-17 SUMTER LITTLE THEATRE SEASON

DRIVING MISS DAISY | Sept. 1-4 and 8-11, 2016

By Alfred Uhry | Directed by David R. Brown

The place is Georgia in 1948. Daisy Werthen, a sharp-tongued 72-year-old Jewish widow, has just demolished another car. Her son Boulie informs her that she can no longer drive herself but must rely on a chauffeur to drive her to the Piggly Wiggly. He hires an unemployed black man named Hoke. Daisy regards Hoke with disdain, and he is not impressed by her patronizing tone and her latent racism. Despite their mutual differences, the two grow ever closer and more dependent on each other. In a relationship that spans 25 years, they come to realize that they have more in common than they ever imagined.



AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' | Oct. 20-23 and 27-30, 2016

The Fats Waller Musical Show; Conceived by Richard Maltby and Murray Horwitz; Musical Arrangements by Jeffrey Gutcheon and William Elliott.

Directed by Eric Bultman



This musical revue evokes the delightful humor of the Golden Age of the Cotton Club in Harlem and that jumpin' new beat known as "swing." It tells the story of Thomas "Fats" Waller's inimitable career through some of his most popular songs, like "I Can't Give You Anything But Love," "Honeysuckle Rose," "I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter," "Find Out What They Like" and the ever popular "Ain't Misbehavin'." He wrote dixieland, swing, stride and ragtime, and his songs took him from Tin Pan Alley, where he sold them for pennies, to the Cotton

Club in Harlem and eventually to Hollywood for the 1943 film "Stormy Weather," which has been called one of the best Hollywood musicals with an African American cast. The joint will be jumpin' when five talented singers take the stage and lead the audience on a jazzy, sassy ride.

A CHRISTMAS STORY | Dec. 1-4 and 8-11, 2016

A Play in Two Acts by Philip Grecian; Based on the motion picture "A Christmas Story" Distributed by Warner Bros.; Written by Jean Shepherd, Leigh Brown and Bob Clark

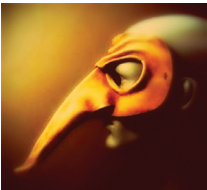
This is a memoir of a boy growing up in the Midwest of the 1940s. It follows 9-year-old Ralphie Parker in his quest to find a genuine Red Ryder BB gun under the tree for Christmas. He asks everyone -- including Santa Claus -- to make it so, but from everyone he hears, "You'll shoot your eye out!" A Christmas holiday favorite for the entire family.



LEADING LADIES | Feb. 9-12 and 16-19, 2017

By Ken Ludwig | Directed by Traci Quinn

In this hilarious comedy by the author of "Lend Me A Tenor" and "Moon Over Buffalo," two English Shakespearean actors, Jack and Leo, find themselves so down on their luck that they are performing "Scenes from Shakespeare" on the Moose Lodge circuit in the Amish country of Pennsylvania. When they hear that an old lady in York, PA is about to die and leave her fortune to her two long-lost English nephews, they resolve to pass themselves off as her beloved relatives and get the cash. The trouble is, when they get to York, they find out that the relatives aren't nephews but nieces!



CYRANO | March 23-26 and March 30-April 2, 2017

Based on the novel by Edmond Rostand
Directed by Eric Bultman

This is the story of the witty, passionate, unlikely hero known for his big nose, skill with language and rapier wit. A play within a play, Cyrano takes audiences on a journey through the beauty of language, the bravery of the musketeers, the innocence of young love, the gift of friendship and the redemption of the antagonist. Cyrano challenges us to be our best selves while demonstrating the essence of panache and reminding us that love is the only truth that matters.



THE PRODUCERS | May 25-28 and June 1-4, 2017

A New Mel Brooks Musical; Book by Mel Brooks and Thomas Meehan; Music and Lyrics by Mel Brooks; Original direction and choreography by Susan Stroman.
Directed by Carmela Bryan

A down-on-his-luck Broadway producer and his mild-mannered accountant come up with a scheme to produce the most notorious flop in history, thereby bilking their backers (all "little old ladies") out of millions of dollars. Only one thing goes awry: the show is a smash hit! The antics of Max Bialystock and Leo Bloom as they maneuver their way fecklessly through finding a show (the gloriously offensive "Springtime For Hitler"), hiring a director, raising the money and finally going to prison for their misdeeds is a lesson in broad comic construction. At the core of the insanely funny adventure is a poignant emotional journey of two very different men who become friends.

LEVELS OF MEMBERSHIP

PATRON (\$100, \$80 for student/military/senior):
Name listed in program, 1 ticket to every show.

BENEFACTOR (\$200):
Name listed in program, 2 tickets to every show.

ANGEL (\$500):
Name listed in program, 4 tickets to every show.

ARCHANGEL (\$1,000):
name listed in program, 8 tickets to every show.

INDIVIDUAL SHOW SPONSORSHIPS:

Is there a show on this year's schedule that you or your business would like to sponsor?

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\$1,500 - regular season show | \$2,500 - musical

SLT has many opportunities for you to get involved! Audition for a show. Volunteer to help with costumes or set construction. Work the Box Office. Send your children to one of the Theatre School classes led by Executive Director Eric Bultman.

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Tickets: Regular season: \$20 Adult \ \$15 Student/Military/Senior
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SHOWTIMES: **Thur-Sat, 8 pm; Sun, 3 pm:** DRIVING MISS DAISY, Sept. 1-4 and 8-11, 2016; AIN'T MISBEHAVIN', Oct. 20-23 and 27-30, 2016; LEADING LADIES, Feb. 9-12 and 16-19, 2017; THE PRODUCERS, May 25-28 and June 1-4, 2017.

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MY MEMBERSHIP LEVEL (circle the one you chose):

PATRON	BENEFACTOR	ANGEL	ARCHANGEL
1 tkt to each show	2 tkts to each show	4 tkts to each show + Gala	8 tkts to each show + Gala

