

ANNOUNCING ALT'S SPECTACULAR 2010-11 SEASON!!!

ALT MAINSTAGE SEASON

SOUTH PACIFIC
(classic musical)

IS HE DEAD?
(new comedy)

DIRTY ROTTEN SCOUNDRELS
(musical comedy)

THE MOUSETRAP
(murder mystery)

ON GOLDEN POND
(comedy/drama)

ADVENTURE SPACE SEASON

A FEMININE ENDING
(new comedy)

EURYDICE
(new romantic drama)

KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN
(dramatic musical)

ADVENTURE #4 TBA
(something new and exciting)

2010 - 2011 SEASON TICKET PACKAGES!

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PURCHASE SEASON TICKETS IN "PACKS" OF 5 OR 4. STACK 'EM UP TO CUSTOMIZE YOUR OWN SEASON TICKET PACKAGE!
It will take 1-5 Pack and 1-4 Pack to see the entire season!
(Combinations of Packs must be same type)

Five packs (5 Admissions)
Perfect for the Mainstage

Flex A - \$80.00
Good Anytime

Basic A - \$75.00
Only 1 ticket per Musical

Flex B - \$70.00
Thursday/Sunday Only

Basic B - \$65.00
Thursday/Sunday Only
Only 1 ticket per Musical

Four Packs (4 Admissions)
Perfect for the Adventure Space

Flex A - \$65.00
Good Anytime

Basic A - \$61.00
Only 1 ticket per Musical

Flex B - \$57.00
Thursday/Sunday Only

Basic B - \$53.00
Thursday/Sunday Only
Only 1 ticket per Musical

Donating Members

Patron - \$1000.00 - 40 Admissions (plus \$400 Tax Deductible Contribution)
Sponsor - \$500.00 - 30 Admissions (plus \$50 Tax Deductible Contribution)
Angel - \$350.00 - 20 Admissions (plus \$50 Tax Deductible Contribution)

Donating members receive recognition in ALT Playbill, advance reservations and invitations to opening night receptions.



Yes! I Want To Be An ALT Season Ticket Holder 2010 - 2011 Season Ticket Order Form

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Five Packs - _____ x _____ = \$ _____
Type Number Price Per Pack

Four Packs - _____ x _____ = \$ _____
Type Number Price Per Pack

Keep the magic alive! — DONATE..... \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

**RENEW EARLY
GET FREE TICKETS!!!!**
Purchase season tickets before July 1 and get one bonus ticket **or** purchase a combination of 9 or more tickets before July 1 and get two bonus tickets.

Join ALT's Family of donors!
Ticket sales only cover a portion of producing live theatre at ALT.
Please consider making a tax deductible contribution!
Donors of \$50 or more will be recognized in ALT's Playbill.

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The 1950'S Rock 'n' Roll Musical!

Book, Music and Lyrics by

JIM JACOBS & WARREN CASEY

Amarillo Little Theatre proudly presents **Grease** as its final production of the 2009-10 season. Can you think of a better way to end a spectacular season than with one of the most popular musicals of all time?

It's Rydell High's spirited class of '59; gum chewing, hub-cap stealing, hot rod loving boys with D.A.s and their wise cracking girls in bobby socks and pedal pushers. Come relive the sights and sounds of the 1950s as ALT presents this rollicking musical. While hip Danny Zuko and wholesome Sandy Dumbrowski resolve the problems of their mutual attraction, the gang sings and dances its way through such nostalgic scenes as the pajama party, the prom, the burger palace and the drive in movie. **Grease** is nothing but pure fun and it is guaranteed to keep audiences dancing in the aisles!

ALT has assembled a great group of "cool cats" and "hot chicks" as the cast for this production. The cast stars **Ryan Sustaita** as Danny Zuko and **Amanda Say** as Sandy Dumbrowski. The remainder of the talented ensemble includes **Beth Avila, Caitlin Campbell, Elizabeth Carlisle, Caleb Cordes, Jason Crespin, Clint Diaz, Decker Dyess, Rose Fruge', Ryce Garren, Amy Gililland, Deanna Hurt, Justin Loe, Camille Medina, Natasha Melius, Jenny Morgan, Ronnie Nanos, Michael Newman, Nick Palmieri, Katie Rowan, Savannah Singleton, Mikayla Tipps, Shawn Walsh and Detrick Westmoreland.**

Allen Shankles is Artistic Director with **James Gardner** as Music Director and Conductor. Choreography duties are being shared by **Anne Lankford** and **Shawn Walsh**. **Art DeMar** is Assistant to the Directors.

Grease promises to be the biggest hit of the season. Make your reservations today!

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Chris and Renee' Rhynehart/Rhynehart Roofing
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Belinda Hall
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FACTS AT A GLANCE

Performance Dates	Times	Location – ALT Mainstage	2019 Civic Circle
May 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22	8:00 pm	Box Office Phone – 806-355-9991	
May 16, 23	2:30 pm	Rated – PG	
Box Office Opens to Members – Monday, April 19	10:00 am	Order Online by e-mail – jeff@amarillolittletheatre.org	
Box Office Opens to Public – Monday, April 26	10:00 am		

CHECK OUT ALT'S WEB SITE AT WWW.AMARILLOLITTLETHEATRE.ORG

Director's Notes



Allen Shankles

This Curtain Call announces the upcoming opening of ALT's final show of the 2009-10 season - **Grease**. It's hard to believe the season is already coming to an end. What a season this has been! As we made preparations and selected shows a year ago, we were troubled by the economic climate and fearful that our attendance, advertising and contribution income would suffer. In fact, we did experience drops in advertising revenue and contributed production funding. However, our productions have posted very strong attendance and our ticket revenue is going to be up fairly substantially from the previous season. This means our patrons have really supported our shows despite the economy. It also means that we chose a popular slate of shows for the season. Fortunately for ALT, our bottom line is going to be strong even during what has been a difficult time for some. Thanks to all of you for helping to make it so.

You will note that we have posted the new season of shows for 2010-11 in this newsletter. We hope that this fantastic collection of shows will appeal to all of you as much or more than this season's shows have. Probably the one big surprise on the list is the inclusion of

South Pacific. Those of you who completed ballots will probably remember that this show was not on the list. At the time we needed to do the balloting, we were not certain that **South Pacific** would be available for us to produce. On last season's balloting, **South Pacific** was the overwhelming popular choice and yet we could not ultimately obtain the rights to the show. Now that we have secured the rights, we wanted to get this show on our season schedule. I hope most of you are pleased with this addition.

The other Mainstage musical is **Dirty Rotten Scoundrels**. This fairly new musical is based on the hilarious movie and it promises to be a delightful show for our audiences. I think it is one of the most exciting new shows on the schedule. It has a very captivating plot, hilarious characters and big production numbers featuring great music and dance.

I am also very excited about **Is He Dead?** This outrageous comedy was actually written by **Mark Twain**. It was found in some of his papers several years ago and contemporary playwright, David Ives, took the script and refined it for modern audiences. It is a blast.

Truth is, I really like every show on next season's schedule. It makes it easier for me and the rest of the ALT staff to produce great shows when we are dealing with material that we really like. I hope that you will trust us and embrace these shows as you have during this current season.

Before we get too carried away thinking about next season, let's enjoy all of the upcoming fun with **Grease**. We have a wonderful cast and I promise that you will have a hard time staying in your seat during the rockin' performances.

Thanks for helping ALT to achieve a very successful season. I hope for many more great seasons to come. I look forward to seeing you at the theatre(s).

Amarillo Little Theatre Summer Arts Day Camps

Come learn more about the arts and theatre with Amarillo Little Theatre Arts Day Camps! This summer will be jam packed with theatre games, costume designing, set building, and a whole lot of fun! Each camp will end with a show starring your camper! Registration begins May 10. **Phone:** 806-355-9991.

"Summer with Seuss" Camp

About: Oh the places campers will go in this exciting "Seuss" themed theatre camp! Actors will learn the basics of theatre skills, theatre games, theatre crafts, and will even put on a show on the last day of camp based on stories and poems of Dr. Seuss. Come find out if Horton really hears a Who and what fun the Cat in the Hat has in store for these young actors!

Ages: Kindergarten through 4th grades.

Dates: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 8-12. Bring a sack lunch, drink provided.

Location: ALT Academy Space, 2751 Civic Circle

Cost: \$150

Camp Broadway! Musical Theatre Camp

About: Camp Broadway! Musical Theatre Camps will engage students in all aspects of musical theater. Campers will experience learning dance combinations, vocal selections, audition techniques, constructing and painting sets, costume construction, technical aspects of theater, promoting a show, as well as an overview of Broadway and musical theater over the years. These camps will end each session with a Broadway-style revue show full of great musical numbers from some of Broadway's biggest hits!

Ages: 5th through 7th grade. Bring a sack lunch, drink provided.

Dates: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 28 to July 9.

Location: ALT Academy Space, 2751 Civic Circle

Cost: \$250

Ages: 8th through 12th grade. Bring a sack lunch, drink provided.

Dates: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 19 to July 30.

Location: ALT Academy Space, 2751 Civic Circle

Cost: \$250

ATTENTION!
ALT ACADEMY STUDENTS!
SUMMER CLASSES TO BEGIN IN JUNE!
CHECK THE WEBSITE
www.amarillolittletheatre.org
FOR DAYS, TIMES & TUITION!

Academy Spotlight

Well Spring is here and the Academy has already hatched it's final production of it's season. **Honk!** was such a delight to direct and I am so thrilled the Amarillo community loved it as much as I had hoped they would. Fabulous performances were turned in by the whole 80 member cast and I was so proud of our graduating Seniors who were able to share their talents with the Academy one last time. A big thank you goes out to **Brandon Bellar** who brought this challenging music to life as Music Director, **Karen Walsh** for her fabulous Set Design, **Gary Graham** who assisted us with sound and microphones, **Jim Gardner** who recorded all our wonderful music, and **Kylie Bearden** and **Laura Robinson** who served as Assistant Director and Assistant Choreographer. We also could not have had such success without our amazing parents and families of the cast! From working backstage to making costumes, our Academy is very fortunate to have such wonderful support from these amazing parents.

Summer camps are right around the corner and you won't want to miss out on all the fun! We will be offering more dance classes in the summer as well as another round of fun-filled theatre day camps that will challenge students on all levels. Registration begins May 10th!

As we wrap up our semester with recitals and theatre showcases, I can't help but think of what a fabulous

Academy season we had. We experienced the crazy adventures of **Pippi Longstocking**, rocked out with an energetic cast of **Schoolhouse Rock Live** and learned from a very odd looking duck that it's perfectly fine to be different. I could not be more proud of all involved in making all we did this season a reality and I continue to be amazed at the level of talent and passion in our Academy students! From wonderful instructors and staff members who give so much to the theatre to supportive parents and community members, the Academy is very blessed! See you all at Summer Camps!

Jason Crespin
Academy Director

Scholarship Fund Appeal

In 2008 the Board of Directors of ALT honored Allen Shankles' 25 year tenure as Managing/Artistic Director with the establishment of a scholarship fund in his name. The Board has directed that the scholarship should be to reward and encourage the outstanding and talented students of the ALT Academy. The scholarship is awarded to graduating seniors of the ALT Academy for use at a university or conservatory of their choice.

Caroline Robinson was the inaugural recipient of the Allen Shankles Theatre Scholarship in May 2009. She is attending Marymount Manhattan College in New York City.

ALT Academy students may represent the future of live theatre at ALT and wherever life may lead them. Contributing to a student's education is the mission of the Board of Directors in establishing the scholarship fund. The Allen Shankles Theatre Scholarship is awarded to students of merit who have excelled either on stage or behind the scenes. All ALT Academy students are urged to apply during their final year of high school.

The Allen Shankles Theatre Scholarship Fund is dependent on contributions from ALT patrons, parents, friends and all those committed to supporting theatre arts in our community and beyond. The Board of Directors asks you to join them in supporting this fund.

Your contributions in any amount may be designated to the Allen Shankles Scholarship Fund and mailed to:

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Amarillo Little Theatre "brings art to life." Help us to continue that legacy through our ALT Academy students.

Phil Woodall, Chairman
Allen Shankles Theatre Scholarship Committee

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ALT'S SPECIAL EVENT...

"MAGICAL MOMENTS OF THE PAST DECADE"

ALT's special event for 2010 will feature a collection of some of your favorite performers and musical selections from the past decade of shows at ALT. The complete show has not been compiled yet, but you can be certain to relive some of your favorite moments from **Always...Patsy Cline, Buddy, Chicago, The Producers, Smokey Joe's Cafe'** and many more.

Performances are scheduled for Friday, June 18 and Saturday, June 19. The Saturday performance will be an elegant affair including a lavish gala after the performance. We hope you will make plans to attend one of these performances.

Contact the ALT Box office for more information.

Notes from the Guild

Hello, Guild Members

We had a very productive March meeting and thank **HB Realty** for hosting us. Also, thank you to those of you who assisted with ushering and concessions for **Equus**. Stay tuned – **Grease** is just around the corner and there will be a great need for volunteers during the three week run of this production. It is time to establish our leadership for the next season and the election of Guild officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary) will be held at our May meeting. If you are interested in serving our Guild as an officer for 2010-2011, please email us at amarillolittletheatreguild@yahoo.com and we will add your name to the ballot. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 11th – details to follow.

Thank you.

ALT Guild