



S*U*N*S*E*T
PLAYHOUSE

2015-2016

Annual Report





THE ADDAMS FAMILY

SUNSET PLAYHOUSE

Vision Statement

The Sunset Playhouse is a permanent center for quality entertainment and education in the performing arts for our community of all ages.



A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Mission Statement

The Sunset Playhouse is a not-for-profit Performing Arts Center serving the greater Milwaukee community by producing quality entertainment and education.

We do this by:

Nurturing Talent

Engaging Volunteers

Providing Education and Entertainment outreach through the School of the Arts

Creating the perfect balance of Community Theater and Professional Entertainment



ANYTHING GOES

Value Statement

We believe in a quality experience, in all areas of The Playhouse, in an atmosphere of integrity and mutual respect.

Terms we associate with our Values are:

Integrity

Joy

Nurture

Quality

Respect

Sunset Board President

MARLA EICHMANN



"It's a wrap!" The 2015-16 season at Sunset playhouse has just ended and I am pleased to again report that we have finished in a positive financial position! This would not be possible without the support of our donors, whose generosity makes

up 20% of our income. This figure is low for the arts world and is possible because we have continued to manage expenses very conservatively. You can be sure that your money is controlled and spent very carefully. We have a reserve that continues to provide the necessary cushion to get us through any difficult times that may lie ahead.

These results are also possible because of the hard-working, dedicated staff here at Sunset. They are led by Nancy Visintainer-Armstrong, our fearless Artistic Director, whose excellent skills include an outstanding work ethic! She sets the tone, allowing staff the freedom to contribute their very best! Thank you, all.

I cannot say enough about our wonderful volunteers. They are on stage, in the back building sets, taking tickets, finding seats, making dinners, cleaning, working in the office, making costumes, finding props, running lights and sound, stage managing, teaching children and serving on the Board of Directors. Theater is indeed a collaborative adventure. All the parts work together to perform miracles!

We also have the good fortune to have loyal patrons. Season ticket sales are not what they were in the "old days." This presents us with a challenge to accommodate the needs of the current population of community theater fans. We try to find plays and musicals you'll enjoy and have added other programs to the mix. Our Musical MainStage Concert Series, led by Susan Loveridge, is wildly popular, as are the SideNotes Cabarets, produced by Peggy Peterson Ryan. We are experimenting with additional performances and events in both the Studio Theatre and Furlan Auditorium. Your feedback and suggestions are most welcome, in fact needed, because we serve you!

Thank you again to all of the patrons, donors, volunteers and staff who make up the Community called Sunset Playhouse! I look forward to the coming season very much! We have an excellent lineup of entertainment options for all of you to enjoy so I hope to see you soon at The Playhouse!

Sincerely,

Marla Eichmann
Board President, Sunset Playhouse

Sunset Board of Directors

2015-2016

Marla Eichmann – President

BS degree University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
MBA Degree University of Michigan
Leadership America Class of 1995
AT&T Numerous mid to executive level positions over 30 years
Covid Communications – V.P. of Operations
Board of Directors – Woman's Clubs of Wisconsin

Nora Werra – Vice President

BA degree University of Wisconsin-Madison
SPHR certification as Senior Professional in Human Resources Management Human Resources Institute
Certified Management Consultant
25 years in HR management

Paul Armstrong – Treasurer

BFA degree in Theatre from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Graduate work in business at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Owner of Best Electric Service Inc.

Richard Katschke – Secretary

BS Journalism Northern Illinois University
MA Communications Theory and Performing Arts Northeastern Illinois University
Associate Vice President of Public Affairs – Medical College of Wisconsin
Board of Directors Skylight Theatre
Board of Directors Milwaukee Chamber Theatre
Budget allocation and workplace giving committee UPAF

Inge Adams – Member at Large

Retired Milwaukee Public School Teacher
Past Board Member Ulster Project
Co-Chair Sunset Volunteer Committee
Sunset Life Member

David Carter – Member at Large

BS in Accounting UWM, CPA
Vice President Lauber CFOs
Board Member Aurora Family Service
Milwaukee Rotary Club

Bob Dude – Member at Large

BA in Economics Lawrence University
MBA and MS in Accounting University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
21 years in U.S. Naval Intelligence Office
22 years Executive VP and CFO for Family Health Systems
Member Senior Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE)
Board Member and Treasurer Historic Milwaukee
Faculty, Learning in Retirement

Donald Ralfs – Member at Large

BS degree Iowa State University
MBA Marquette University
Alcoa 14 years
Wisconsin Electric Power 27 years
Elm Brook Little League BOD and Commissioner
President Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove

James Santelle – Member at Large

BA degree in English & History Marquette University
Juris Degree University of Chicago Law School
United States Department of Justice (Formerly: United States Attorney & Assistant United States Attorney/Eastern District of Wisconsin)
United States Department of State (Formerly: Rule of Law Coordinator at the United States Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq)

Richard Schilfarth – Member at Large

BBA degree University of Wisconsin-Madison
Graduate work in Business University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Received Money Management Institute's "Pioneer Award" for structuring investment consulting and creating the Wrap Fee alternative to commissions in Financial Services Industry
Lectured at Wharton School of Business and Graduate School of Business at UW Madison
Board positions – Friends of Art, Culinary Institute of America, Skylight Theatre

Lee Szczepanski – Member at Large

Graduated Waukesha Area Technical College Machinist at K.H.S. America
Journeyman Board – Gill and Wing Club

David DeAngelis – Ex Office Member

Manager Village of Elm Grove

Nancy Visintainer-Armstrong

Artistic Director – Sunset Playhouse



SHERLOCK HOLMES: THE FINAL ADVENTURE

Artistic Director

NANCY VISINTAINER-ARMSTRONG



Did you snap along with THE ADDAMS FAMILY? Sing along with SINATRA & CO.? Yodel along with Julie Andrews in MY FAVORITE THINGS? Then you know that our 2015-16 Sunset Playhouse season was fun-filled and not to be missed!

It was a very busy season!

Over 31,000 patrons attended 25 Furlan Auditorium Productions, Musical MainStage Concert Series performances, SideNotes Cabarets, bug in a rug Children's Theater shows and Special Events. The Sunset Playhouse School for the Arts continued to grow with new classes and performances. Our Junior Musical returned for a second production, successfully presenting THE ADDAMS FAMILY, JR. alongside our adult version of this delightful story. In total, our patrons enjoyed three musicals and five plays, along with half a dozen Musical MainStage Concerts in our Furlan Auditorium, plus five SideNotes Cabarets and three bug in a rug shows in our Studio Theatre. No other theater in the Midwest can claim so many productions in one season!

At the close of 2015 we presented our first annual New Year's Eve Gala: A BLAST FROM THE BRASS. This sold-out event featured the topnotch 11-piece band BTW and included raffles, hors d' oeuvres and a champagne toast at midnight to ring in the new year. A wonderful time was had by all and we were pleased to raise significant funds for Sunset Playhouse.

This Season, we were recipients of a generous Miracle on Canal grant from the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino. These funds enabled us to sponsor additional bug in a rug performances for Milwaukee area schools, exposing many children, perhaps for the first time, to the magic of live, interactive theater.

Finally, Sunset continues to actively seek and welcome new volunteers. We hope you will continue to be part of the Playhouse and encourage your friends and family to to join us and become members of the Sunset family as well.

Remember, Entertainment begins at Sunset!

Sincerely,

Nancy Visintainer-Armstrong
Artistic Director, Sunset Playhouse

Sunset Playhouse Staff

Nancy Visintainer-Armstrong | Artistic Director

Nick Korneski | Technical Director

Ann Mather | Business Manager/Volunteer Coordinator

Erika Navin | Director of Education

Stephanie Rejman Staufenbeil | Box Office Manager

Danny Slattery | Administrative Assistant

Volunteers

Inge Adams
Jennifer Allen
Sailor Ames
Jake Andrejat
Kathy Andrews
Carol Anschutz
James Anschutz
Paul Armstrong
Nancy Armstrong
Ruth Arnell
Lauren Arzbaecher
Kayla Atadero
Barbara Auer
Ronald Auer
Beverly Ayers
Jackie Bach
Catherine Baerwald
Joyce Ballard
Richard Ballard
Audrey Barr
Evelyn Barta
Olivia Bastien
Duane Bauer
Belva Benish
Robert Benish
Tyler Berard
Rick Berggreen
Susan Bickler
Charlotte Binkowski
Dee Birschel
Don Birschel
Beth Bland
Jan Blaszak
John Blaszak
Jennifer Boettcher
David Boxhorn
Kyah Bratz
Dianne Breitzman
Susan Brewer
Jim Brill
Sarah Brown
Mary Brozynski
Dick Bulgrin
Charlie Burbach
Bud Caprioli
Beverly Carroll
Ed Carroll
David Carter
Regan Carter
Cohl Carter-Wright
Charles Cerny
Emily Chiesa
Michael Chobanoff
David Chorski
Morgen Clarey
Kathleen Cleary
Jean Cody
Michael Cody
Diane Cohen
Roberta Coles
Dorothea Collins
George Cook
Julia Craig
Laci Crow
Joanne Cunningham
Megan Cunningham
Kavyn Custer
Donna Daniels
Nancy Daniels
Judy Dannenbrink
Brenna Davidson
Zachary Dean
Barbara Decker
Shirley Delahunt
Donna Deuster
Carol Dimitriadis
Nancy Kay Dlouhy
Carol Dolphin
John R. Dolphin
Jim Donaldson
Katlin Drew

Mike Drews
Robert Dude
Marguerite Dunn
MaryAnn Eastman
Maria Eichmann
Joan End
Janet (Jan) Endries
Pam Erdmann
Geri Eserkalin
Danny Esposito
Kay Esposito
Kayleigh Faber
Susan Farrell
Xavier Feltes
Jessica Ferguson
Barbara Figi
Pat Flynn
Diane Foss
Gary Foss
Jane Foster
Peggy Frattura
Ralph Frattura
Sue Fromm
Karen Fuchs
Brian Fuller
Alexis Furseth
Ray Gardner
JJ Gatesman
Mary Gensler
Tim Gensler
Elizabeth Gersonde
Jonathan Gorton
Carrie Gray
Marguerite Greinke
Bernadette Gundrum
Grace Hanson
Aune Hardt
Dan Hargarten
Laurene Harschutz
Donna Hart
Mia Hartounian
Pat Hasenzahl
Nicholas Callan
Haubner
Janice Hector
Lauren Heinen
Mia Helbig
Tim Hendricks
Lauri Henning
Todd Herdt
Annibelle Hertel
Kayla Leanne Higbee
Betty Hoffmann
Laura Hohing
Sandra Hollander
Barb Horder
Victoria Hudziak
Keith Huennekens
Fran Hughes
Jesse Hurst
Kathlyn Inkmann
Pat Jablonowski
Raj Jadhav
Merry Jaeger
Scott Jaeger
Marisa Janaky
Benjamin Johnson
Marie Johnson
Mike Johnson
William (Bill) Jonas
Karen Jurek
Joan Kalinoski
Peter Kao
Kari Karth
Dick Katschke
Katie Katschke
Vickie Katschke
Grace Katsekas
George Katsekas II
George Katsekas III
Catherine Kearn

Karen Kegel
Nancy Kelley
Judy Kern
Tim Kietzman
Sarah Klauk
Cory Klein
Mary Knudten
Patricia Kobus
Tony Kolp
Scott Korman
Camille Kosick
Terri Kowler
Kalyn Kuehl
Isabella Kugel
Joan Kuhlthau
Christopher Kurtz
Alec Lachman
Lillian Lakritz
Alec Lau
Daniel Laughland
Kamilah Lay
Jean-Marc Le Doux
Danielle Lemmermann
Donna Lers
Ralph Levinson
Robin Lewis
Gail Loosen
Judith Looze
Ami Losi
Julie Rozek-Brady
Jonelle Ludin
Judy Ludwig
Ted Ludwig
Mary Ellen Luxem
Jacob Lyon
Dave Mackinson
Lauree Madson
Jim Mallmann
Chris Martin
Drew Martin
Debbie Marx
Annie Mater
Diane Mee
Judy Meier
Rudy Miskowitch
Joyce Molenda
Robert Molenda
Sarah Briana Morris
Natasha Mortazavi
Hannah Mrozek
Mark Mrozek
Dave Mueller
Karie Mueller
Anna Lee Murray
Julia Myre
Larry Myre
Judy Narlock
Maria Nasby
Jean Nazario
Anna Nelson
Sharon Nieman-Koebert
Tom Niese
Dennis Novak
Mary H. O'Brien
Molly O'Connell
Joyce O'Connor
Kara Olander
Eric Olson
Diane Ormsby
Ian Osep
Sue Page
Bea Pamperin
Rae Elizabeth Paré
AJ Pawelski
Amari Peace
Patti Peplinski
Rick Peplinski
Beth Perry
Terrie Peschman
Patricia Peters
Tyler Peters
Ruth Peterson
Bella Petropoulos

Paul Pfannenstiel
Abby Pieper
Sue Pieper
Michael Pocaro
Jan Pogodzinski
Ron Pogodzinski
Jordan Pollard
Michael Post
Betty Powers
Jerry Powers
Joanne Powers
Jan Pritzl
Lisa Prudlow
Heather Pulkowski
Hannah Rahmanpanah
Tom Raimy
Don Ralfs
Rob Rasmussen
Amber Regan
Hannah Rehfeldt
Nick Reit
Heather Reynolds-Coonen
Karen Richards
Dave Riehl
Marlene Riehl
Dean Rockstad
Mary Rockstad
Mikhela Rosko
Julie Rozek-Brady
Madeline Sabinash
James (Jim) Santelle
Carly Sauer
Leah A. Sawnor
Richard (Dick) Scharnell
Cheryl Scharnell
Josh Scheibe
Iester schick
Richard Schillfarth
Alan C. Schimmel
Maya Schimelfenyg
Dominic Schiro
Shawn Schmidt
Mike Schneider
Bud Schneider
Carol Schneider
Greg Schoepke
Mary Jo Schoepke
Michael Schottle
Barb Schuldt
Gene Schuldt
Jacob Schulteis
Dave Schumacher
Diane Schumacher
Claire Schuppner
David Scrobel
Dolores Scrobel
Emily Sebastian
Pam Seccombe
Amy Sedlar
Dorene Sedlar
Katherine Sharpless
Aubrey Shaw
Jennifer Shaw
Josh Sheibe
Emma Shingledecker
Bonny Shkiele
Jim Shkiele
Diane Siegert
Laura Simonson
Lyndsey Sippel
Danny Slattery
Margaret Slavinsky
Ken Smith
Joseph Snyder
Amber Soik
Jo St. Clair
Lee Stalter
Linda Stalter
Edith Stankovsky
Jim Stankovsky
Calista Staufenbeil
David Staufenbeil

Adam Steffan
Stanley (Stash) Steingold
Dennis Steinke
Michael Steinke
Susan Steinke
Phil Stepanski
Danita Stich
Pat Stoffel
Jessica Stokes
Ann Stoffel
Judy Strampe
Ron Strampe
Deanna Strasse
Diana Susa
Ellen Suttner
Calaway Swanson
Lee Szczepanski
Bob Szyba
Sharon Szyba
Kall Tans
Nicole Taylor
Amber Templin
Marsha Tenwinkel
Conni Terlizzi
Kathy Terlizzi
Lois Tesch
Karen Thaker
Ava Thomann
Lyle Thompson
Dorothy Thoms
Harrison Tiggard
Skylar Tiggard
Peter Tonn
Jeanne Troglia
Paul Troglia
Sheri Turnaciff
Maddison Underberg
Jack Urbanski
Santana Vannarath
Dave Vanness
Donna Vanness
Karen Vaughn
Cindy Velcheck
Judy Vento
Christine Verespej
Sarah Verespej
Skye Voigt
Marty Wallner
Kathy Warner
Carol Wherley
Betty Weier
Tom Weissgerber
Sheri Weitner
Shirley Wendt
Tom Wendt
Carla Werner
Nora Werra
Mark Westen
Pat Westen
Gary Westerbeek
Kathy Westerbeek
Casey Westphal
Michelle White
Annette Williams
Sami Williams
Linda Wirth
Lila Wixom
Oliver Wolf
Pepper Wood
Georgia Yanicke
Dan Zeck
Phyllis Zeck
Brian D. Zelinski
Zach Zembrowski
Erica Ziino
John Ziino
Pat Ziino
Jeanne Zimmerman
Susan Zuern
Nick Zuiker



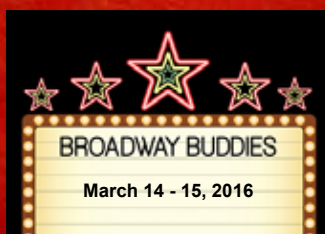
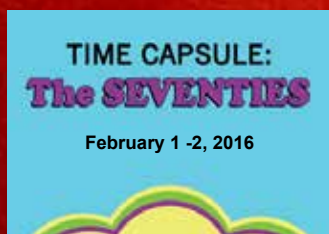
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2015-2016 Season

Furlan Auditorium Productions



Musical MainStage Concert Series



SideNotes Cabaret Series



Rana...Roamin'
October 1 - 3, 2015



Have A Cool Yule
December 16 - 19, 2015



Fun, Fun, Fun!
February 18 - 20, 2015



Highlights from the Footlights
April 7 - 9, 2015



Our Favorite Things
May 19 - 21, 2015

Financial Overview

2015-2016 | BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash	\$	290,132	
Accounts Receivable	\$	3,681	
Other Current Assets	\$	20,302	
Total Current Assets			\$ 314,115

Fixed Assets

Building & Equipment	\$	2,591,883	
Depreciations	\$	(1,862,846)	
Total Fixed Assets			\$ 729,037

TOTAL ASSETS			\$ 1,043,152
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Advanced Ticket Sales	\$	168,334	
Other Current Liabilities	\$	77,402	
Total Current Liabilities			\$ 245,736

Mortgage	\$	480,003	
Other Long term Liabilities	\$	100,000	
Total Long Term Liabilities			\$ 580,003

Total Equity			\$ 217,413
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			\$ 1,043,152
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Sponsor a Sunset Show

There are many great opportunities to sponsor a Furlan Auditorium Production, Musical MainStage Concert, A SideNotes Cabaret Show or a bug in a rug Children's Theater Show. A sponsor is recognized in the show's program, in the advertisements and eblasts for the show, and on Sunset's website. A sponsor of a Furlan Auditorium Production receives 50 tickets to the show and the use of the Studio Theatre for a pre-show reception. Following the performance, the sponsor's guests may return to the Studio Theatre to continue their party and meet the cast members at this post-performance reception.



Advertise in a Sunset Program

The Sunset Playhouse produces its own program. There are eight programs per season. There are 2150 performances in a season showing to 30,000 to 35,000 people. The audience of the Sunset Playhouse is composed primarily of Milwaukee and Waukesha County residents with the resources to attend the theater and patronize our advertizers. An ad in one or the entire Furlan Auditorium Production Season is a perfect opportunity for businesses to reach a loyal customer base while supporting the Sunset Playhouse.

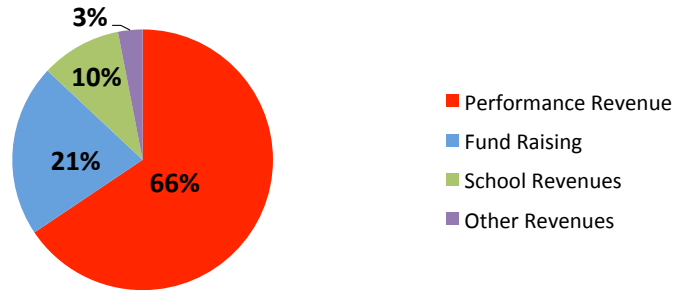


Financial Overview

2015-2016 | REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT

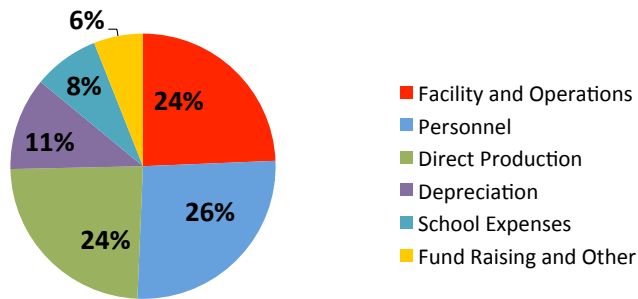
Revenue

Performance Revenue	\$ 580,854
Fund Raising	\$ 189,449
School Revenues	\$ 88,368
Other Revenues	\$ 26,894
Total Revenue	\$ 885,565



Expenses

Facility and Operations	\$ 197,117
Personnel	\$ 213,062
Direct Production	\$ 194,151
Depreciation	\$ 91,620
School Expenses	\$ 64,940
Fund Raising and Other	\$ 48,586
Total Expenses	\$ 809,476



Net Operating Result \$ 76,089



Director of Education

ERIKA NAVIN



Dear Sunset Stars:

Our renowned School for the Arts has been educating and entertaining children for more than fifty years. While exposing students to the arts, we nurture self-confidence, encourage collaboration and value each student who

participates in our programs.

Our 2015-16 School for the Arts season saw our current programs grow, as well as many new offerings take off. Year-round programming welcomed more than 350 students, and our School for the Arts and bug in a rug performances brought more than 2,000 patrons through our doors. Our school educated more than 850 students at off-site locations through after-school classes, high interest days and Girl Scout/Boy Scout workshops. Our bug in a rug series performed for 11,500+ children at 60 traveling performances throughout Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties.

This year we continued our exciting Junior Musical initiative. Last fall while our Furlan Mainstage Series was producing THE ADDAMS FAMILY, our school was developing a student production of the same show. It was a fantastic experience for everyone involved, including an inspiring mentoring night between the student and the adult casts. In the summer, we continued to offer our one-week Performance Camps, during which students audition, rehearse, participate in technical aspects and perform an original musical. This year, our performance camps generated a wait-list of students who were interested in attending because all of our sessions were full!

Thanks to grant funding from the Wisconsin Arts Board, we were again able to offer our Actletes program. Area high school students were given the opportunity to explore theater and create work based on their own ideas, initiative and perspective. They participated in a variety of workshops and developed two full productions during the season.

I am proud to report the continued expansion of our School for the Arts. The teaching staff, professional performers and I work hard to inspire a new generation of theater patrons, volunteers, and participants while growing our School for the Arts. A student's laughter, a four-year old patron's excitement, a student's huge leap in confidence are just a few of the special moments we celebrate each season, in addition to our continued growth.

And now we turn our attention to a brand new 2016-17 season, joyfully preparing to meet the next generation of Sunset Playhouse supporters.

See you at the theater!

Erika Navin

Sunset Playhouse School for the Arts

The mission of **Sunset's School for the Arts** is to provide programs that enable young people to acquire knowledge and skills in the performing arts, as well as gain lifelong interest in the arts and culture.

Our Programs:

- enable students to learn and grow as artists
- nurture self-confidence and responsibility
- promote individuality AND teamwork



"My daughter has grown so much and I credit much of her growth from a shy, timid first grader to the outgoing, confident, talented performer she is today to her experience at Sunset." – Jen R., Sunset parent

The Sunset Playhouse School for the Arts offers:

- weekly classes and workshops
- performing arts camps
- a fully-staged junior musical



"I just wanted to let you know how much my daughter enjoyed her musical theater class at Sunset! Many years ago my sister and I took a fun drama class at Sunset taught by Alan Furlan, and I was so happy to have the chance to return with my daughter. Thank you so very much for this wonderful opportunity." – Molly H., Sunset Parent

Alan Furlan Memorial Scholarship Fund



2015-16 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
Kitty Tomaszek & Rayven Burdette

The Alan Furlan Scholarship was established in 1982 and is open to Playhouse volunteers who are pursuing a career in the performing arts. Named for the theater's long-time Artistic and Managing Director, scholarships are supported through donations from our audiences, sponsors and the community. The Scholarship Fund is administered by the Scholarship Committee and Board of Directors.

Actletes

The Sunset Playhouse Actletes Troupe was launched in September, 2010 to provide high school students the opportunity to explore theater and create work based on their ideas, initiative and perspective. A generous grant from The Wisconsin Arts Board funded the 2015 program.

Actletes:

- participate in classes, rehearsals and performance
- explore acting, singing, dancing and stage combat
- engage in every step of the theatrical process from producing to performing



Although theater can be serious, Actletes offers a fun and upbeat outlet for the theater nerd in all of us!

Olivia S., Actlete

Community Outreach

The Sunset Playhouse School for the Arts provides many children their first introduction to the arts through classes and public performances.

We offer:

- theater workshops
- high Interest and career days
- volunteer opportunities



Thank you for once again engaging our daughter's fondness for singing, dancing and acting. She is not a great performer, but she has fun! You are the best and all of your efforts with the School for the Arts are truly appreciated.

Joanne T., Sunset Parent

Sunset Playhouse bug in a rug Children's Theater

A three-show series produced by the school

Children ages 2-8 and their families:

- have a great time
- learn teamwork, hard work and perseverance
- gain an appreciation for live theater

Sunset's bug in a rug productions tour area elementary schools, libraries and community centers where thousands of children experience, many for the first time, the joy of live theater. Public performances are also presented at the Playhouse.



Sunset Playhouse always impresses our librarians and audiences with their professional performances and inspirational messages.

L. Lowrey, Milwaukee Public Library

Sunset Playhouse bug in a rug Children's Theater

2015-2016 Season



November 11-14, 2015

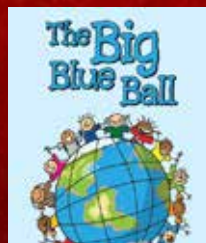


February 10-13, 2016



May 11-14, 2016

2016-2017 Season



November 9-12, 2016



February 8-11, 2017



May 10-13, 2017

2016-2017 Season

Furlan Auditorium Productions



MOON
over
BUFFALO

September 8 - 25, 2016

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Fiddler
on the
Roof

October 13 - November 6, 2016

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The Best
Christmas
Pageant
Ever

December 1 to 23, 2016

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YOU CAN'T
Take
It With
YOU

January 19 to
February 4, 2017

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LITTLE
SHOP OF
HORRORS

MARCH 2 - 19, 2017

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The
Dixie Swim Club

a Jones Hope Wooten comedy

April 20 - May 7, 2017

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AND THEN
THERE WERE NONE

June 1 - 18, 2017

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Hello,
DOLLY!

July 13 - August 6, 2017

SunsetPlayhouse.com

2016-2017 Season

Musical MainStage Concert Series



SideNotes Cabaret Series



Musical MainStage Concert Series



This popular series celebrates its eleventh season! Six annual concerts, each with a different theme, showcase professional singers and musicians on the Furlan stage. With a few short rehearsals, these pros jump up on the current set where they're joined by two narrators offering humorous and informative play-by-play. Plus, Musical MainStage has featured almost fifty talented high school students, many of whom have gone on to prestigious conservatories and professional stages across the country. Sunset is very proud to host this fun series and our audiences continue to agree!

SideNotes Cabaret Series



Now in its ninth season, Sunset's SideNotes Cabaret Series continues to offer a unique assortment of outstanding musical entertainment presented by talented professionals in an intimate, casual setting. The shows feature music from theatre, film, popular culture, and the Great American Songbook, often highlighting show biz legends who have helped shape the world of entertainment. Patrons relax with a cocktail or glass of wine and enjoy an exceptional and distinctive evening of lively performances presented by the area's finest performers and musicians.

History of

Sunset Playhouse was incorporated in 1954 as a not-for-profit community theater. In the 1950s, a group from St. Mary's Church in Elm Grove was performing shows in a variety of venues when they decided they needed to have a permanent home. A building fund drive was launched, and their efforts were supported by both Milwaukee and Waukesha counties. The theater group purchased a site in Elm Grove and the **Sunset Playhouse** opened its doors in March of 1960.



Sunset was the first theater in the state of Wisconsin to be built entirely by a community theater group. While the structure was little more than a concrete box, it provided high quality productions and service to the community. Their new home quickly became the foundation upon which **Sunset Playhouse** would continue to grow and attract thousands of patrons and volunteers to 800 Elm Grove Road.

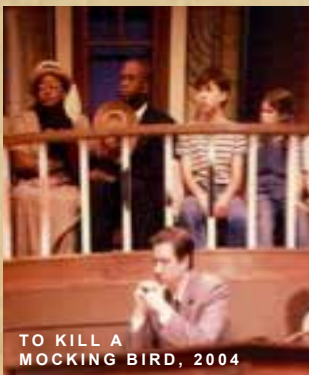


Sunset Playhouse

The **Playhouse** has come a long way since those early productions when the audience sat on folding chairs. There have been four additions to date. In a 1968 addition the lobby was expanded, allowing the business office to move out of the basement.



In 1973, the scene shop moved upstairs and a furniture and prop storage room was built below. The lobby and offices grew again in 1981 and in 1999 a Studio Theatre was added, along with a new rehearsal hall, dressing rooms, catering kitchen and a completely rebuilt and expanded lobby.



Over the past 60 years, Sunset has been lead by: Ian Dobbie, Alan Furlan, Michael Spicer, Thomas Somerville, Michael Duncan, Mark Salentine, Jonathan West, Diana Alioto and our current Artistic Director, Nancy Visintainer-Armstrong. In addition, our talented staff and dedicated volunteers have worked tirelessly to ensure the on-going success of the **Playhouse**.

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Sunset Playhouse acknowledges the individuals, corporations, and foundations whose generosity confirms the importance of live theater in our community. In recognition of this support and encouragement, we proudly list their names in thanks. This list reflects those who donated to Sunset Playhouse from September 1st, 2015 to September 1st, 2016.

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Sept 8 - 25, 2016	Moon Over Buffalo
Oct 13 - Nov 6, 2016	Fiddler On The Roof
Oct 23 - 24, 2016	Fiddler On The Roof, Jr
Dec 1 - 23, 2016	The Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Jan 19 - Feb 4, 2017	You Can't Take It With You
March 2 - 19, 2017	Little Shop Of Horrors
April 20 - May 7, 2017	The Dixie Swim Club
June 1 - 18, 2017	And Then There Were None
July 13 - Aug 6, 2017	Hello, Dolly!

Our 57th Season

SideNotes Cabaret Series

Oct 6 - 9, 2016	Songs Of The Silver Screen
Dec 14 - 18, 2016	Holiday Belles
Feb 16 - 19, 2017	It Might As Well Be Swing
Mar 30 - April 2, 2017	What The World Needs Now: A Burt Bacharach Tribute
May 18 - 21, 2017	Ella Meets Mel
June 15 - 18, 2017	Belters, Balladeers, & Broadway

Musical MainStage Concert Series

Sept 19 - 20, 2016	Happy Days!
Oct 31 - Nov 1, 2016	Twist And Shout!
Dec 5 - 6, 2016	Down Home With The Carpenters
Jan 30 - 31, 2017	Billy Joel & Friends
March 6 - 7, 2017	Family Ties
May 1 - 2, 2017	I'll Take Manhattan

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Nov 9 - 12, 2016	The Big Blue Ball
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