Walpole Children's Theatre



The SPOTLIGHT

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2013 SUMMER SHOW



Based on the book by Roald Dahl Dramatized by Richard R George

Dear [FIRSTNAME],

WCT had a successful 2012-2013 season! Peter McElhinney returned to the director's chair for Treasure Island and Laura Barry had her first solo flight as director for Puss in Boots. Both productions were thoroughly entertaining. The 2013-2014 season starts off with our fun, creative production of Charlie & the Chocolate Factory this July.WCT performed this show 9 years ago and we are excited to have the chance to make it bigger and better than before. Be sure to get your tickets soon! Our winter production will open in February 2014 and the show will be announced by the end of July. As always, thank you for your continued patronage and support!

Directed by Peter McElhinney & Kelly Newman continued patronage and support!

Who wouldn't want to join Charlie Bucket in his adventurous tour of Willy Wonka's world-famous Chocolate Factory? Follow the Golden Ticket winners, Augustus, Violet, Veruca, Mike, and Charlie, as they venture through a candy fantasy land and encounter irresistible temptations. A classic story for the whole family.

Performances at Footlighters Playhouse 2 Scout Rd, East Walpole

July 19 at 7pm
July 20 at 2pm & 7pm
July 21 at 2pm
July 26 at 10am & 7pm
July 27 at 2pm & 7pm

Purchase tickets online

Buy Tickets Now!

(Ticketing fees applied for online purchases)

or call the Box Office 508-921-0542

(No ticketing fees for box office purchases)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

This summer a WCT alum will be adding WCT Director to her extensive theater resume. Kelly Newman first performed with WCT in the 2007 production of The Princess' Gift. She performed in a number of shows with WCT, but her favorite role was as Queen Alexandria in the 2009 production of King Midas and the Golden Touch. After graduating Walpole High School, Kelly enrolled in Salem State College, majoring in Theater and Film. She has just completed her sophomore year but she has already been on stage and behind the scenes in many productions at school and in the area. Recently, she performed in The Lonesome West with Fishtown Players in Gloucester. Although she is still a college student, she has made time to return to her roots, converting to the crew side of WCT by running the sound board, helping with props, assistant directing, and now codirecting Charlie & the Chocolate Factory. Kelly brings her creative vision, technical knowledge, and enthusiasm to this production. WCT is proud of her for all of her \$12 Adults, \$8 Children & Seniors Group rates are available for 15+

accomplishments, thus far, and is excited that she is continuing her involvement with *WCT*!

Cast of Charlie & the Chocolate Factory

Mike Teavee

Mr. Teavee

Mrs. Teavee

Oompa Loompas

Mahoney Cyr Elizabeth Ronan * First WCT Production + 10th Performance

Anna Hebner

Riley Mulroy

CAST MEMBER Rory Hardiman Michael McKeon Jack Gately *Timothy Rose **Brian Tracey** Steph Matta Marc Sheehan Leah D'sa +Nick Hayden +Bridget Connell Sean Lynch Jess McNamara Lindsey Patterson Justin Conolly Ariana Chariton *Kaylyn Bosh Mia Straccia Ava Straccia Corey Lynch Lindsey Sheehan *Cate Lightbody Nikki McNamara *Emily Tomasetti Olivia Sheehan

*Alex Kennedy

STANDING OVATION

Congratulations to WCTi members for their

Kaylyn Bosh was nominated in the Best Video Production category as a part of a Grammy Awards program.

Michael McKeon and Rory Hardiman were nominated in the categories of Best Editor and Best Director at the 2013 Walpole High School Film Festival.

Jess McNamara recently graduated from Walpole High School and will be attending Hofstra University in the fall.

Marc Sheehan and Brian Tracey were nominated for Best Supporting Actor and Best Screenplay in the Walpole High School Film Festival.

Lindsey Sheehan was elected to the position of Secretary for the theater program at Fontbonne Academy.

Jack Gately won in the categories of Best Actor, Best Screenplay, and Best Picture at the Walpole High School Film Festival. He graduated from Walpole High School and was awards the Walpole Footlighters Scholarship. He will be attending Suffolk University in the fall.

Mahoney Cyr was awarded a gold medal in a skate competition hosted by Skate Club of Boston

Peter McElhinney is directing "Good People" at Footlighters Theater, this fall. Tickets for this production can be purchased through the box office 508-668-8446 or online at www.footlighters.com

Alumni Corner

WCT likes to keep you updated on the endeavors of our a skate former members. If you are a WCT alum, please let us know Boston. about any exciting news you have.

Becky Chariton recently graduated Walpole High School.

Grace Lynch is attending UCLA where she sings in an a capella group.

Jonathan Smith attends Elon University and recently completed an internship in the reality TV development department of NBC Studios in Los Angeles through a program called Elon in LA. He also produced a short film called "Gravity."

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DONATIONS

WCT relies on ticket sales and donations to fund its productions. There are two easy ways monetary donations can be made.

- 1) When purchasing tickets, add any amount into the "tip jar" as part of your transaction.
 - 2) Click the link below to make a direct donation.

Donations will be used toward all areas of

technical difficulties as we update the site. Sorry for any inconvenience.)

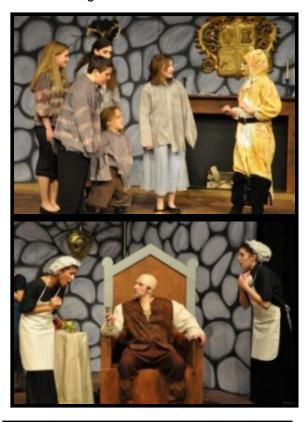
the production, such as costumes, sets, venue rental, scripts, and royalties.





WINTER 2013

Congratulations to the cast and crew of *Puss in Boots* on the wonderful run this past February and March. Thank you to all who contributed to this magical production, including those in front of, in back of, and on the stage!























JOIN WALPOLE FOOTLIGHTERS FOR THEIR 2013-2014 SEASON! Good People

A comedy by David Lindsay-Abaire Directed by Peter McElhinney October 18, 19, 25, 26, 11/1, 2 at 8:00 pm October 20, 27, and 11/3 at 2:00 pm

Fox on the Fairway A comedy by Ken Ludwig



Directed by Frank Moffet February 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 at 8:00 pm February 9, 16, and 23 at 2:00 pm

The Drowsy Chaperone

Music and Lyrics by Lisa Lambert and Greg Morrison Book by Bob Martin and Don McKellar Directed by Barbara Pettis May 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17 at 8:00 pm May 4, 11, and 18 at 2:00 pm

www.footlighters.com

508-668-8446

THEATER 101

How much do you know about theater? Each newsletter issue will provide information about the technical and behind the scenes aspects of the theater arts.

In many of our productions, we rent a "drop" which is a large painted piece of material that hangs from poles at the very back of the stage. The drop can set any scene from a field in the countryside to the inside of a castle to a jungle. Sometimes, like in our Winter 2013 production of *Puss in Boots*, additional pieces are hung across the top or along the sides, just in front of the drop, in order to provide perspective. It saves time from building and painting a huge set and they provide elaborate, colorful designs. It is practically a talent in order to fold the drop back up and get it into the small box it came in though!

BLAST FROM THE PAST

In the picture to the right, Matt Connolly portrays Willy Wonka, Chris Staley plays Mr. Teavee, and Laura Barry is Mrs. Teavee in WCT's 2004 production of ""

WCT BLAST FROM THE PAST

Can you name the actors in this scene, the production and the year?



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