



NEWSLETTER



Covid-19 Also Disrupts OLT

Suspends All Activities Due to COVID-19

In cooperation with the CDC, Presidential and State guidelines, board members of Ouachita Little Theatre voted to suspend all programs, rehearsals, concerts (including competition rehearsals for young playwrights) until further notice. The office on Main Street will be closed beginning March 20 for the time being. The musical “BIG,” as well as other future productions, will be rescheduled. Season tickets will be honored for all shows covered by your original purchase.

Your media copies from Memory Makers are still being processed and you will be notified when your order is ready. Memberships are still available online. OLT encourages you to support your local theater by becoming a member or donor. OLT’s many expenses continue while receiving no revenue from shows in the coming weeks.

The Board is monitoring the current health situation and will keep you updated as decisions are made. OLT expresses thanks for your patience and wishes all in our community good health during this difficult time.



THE MUSICAL, **BIG** IS STILL SCHEDULED

It is the intention of OLT to present the musical BIG as the next production. While current conditions make it impossible to set a specific date, rest assured BIG will be performed. To make sure everyone will get a chance to see this great show, OLT is extending the expiration date on season tickets so that the ticket holders will receive the full compliment of shows they were originally entitled to. Check out our upcoming shows on the next page.

As OLT supporters you should be aware that, like other small businesses as well as yourselves, we will be having some hard times until life gets back to normal after this pandemic. For example we have spent over \$3000 dollars on the royalties for “BIG” not to mention what “Little Women” will cost. Luckily MTI, the owners of the production rights, is working with us by letting us keep rehearsal materials as needed and also approving new performance dates. In addition close to \$2000 have been spent on the staging of “BIG”. While much of this will be donated, OLT will have these and other expenses for the show. After having spent that money earlier with no refund possible, we are now faced with regular operating expenses without a substantial income. You can help by continuing to renew memberships and/or donation to OLT. We understand that this may not be possible for some, but if you can, please help.

UPCOMING EVENTS



The classic 1987 motion picture fantasy bursts onto the stage in the unforgettable theatrical experience. Josh Baskin is sick of being an awkward kid. At a carnival, he makes a wish to the Zoltar machine to become "big." Complete with Zoltar, a giant floor piano and stand-out roles for adults and children, *Big* is a great choice for theatres that are looking for a family-friendly smash-hit that is full of high-energy singing

and dancing.



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THE **LAST LIFEBOAT** is destined to become a theatre classic! "THE **LAST LIFEBOAT** is the untold story of J. Bruce Ismay, the owner of the White Star shipping Line when The Titanic sank, whose decision to save himself rather than go down with the ship made him the scapegoat for one of the greatest disasters of all time. The show will be directed by Chase Night



In this hilarious, fast-paced comedy, the inhabitants of one of the smallest trailer parks in **Texas**—four **doublewides** and a shed—are thrown for a loop when they realize the nearby town of Tugaloo is determined to annex them. And it's not as if they don't already have enough to deal with. The show will be directed by Scotty Jenkins



We are planning on a JOLT production. Shows by Justin Richmond and Logan Sweeten have been approved for production but, as with everything else, the dates for these shows are still up in the air.

Hello friends of OLT

Thank you for your support of OLT. Our community theatre is struggling right along with you during these difficult times. Just like you our bills continue, utilities, insurance, mortgage payments, just to mention a few, continue. Our automated membership renewal program is continuing to send out your membership renewal reminders. On behalf of our theatre I ask that if at all possible include us in the payments you are going to make during this rough time. If it is not possible, we will understand but hope that when things return to normal we will be among the things on top of your list to support with your membership renewal.

Rudi Timmerman
OLT President

Why Not Consider a Membership and Season Ticket?

ONLY \$50 (season ticket only is \$40)

The Musical - Little Women



Louisa May Alcott’s beloved story of the adventures of the four March sisters is brought to vivid musical life in Little Women. The Civil War is in full swing, and the March sisters -- Meg, the oldest, a romantic, the spirited and tomboyish Jo, sweet and loving Beth, and irascible, playful Amy -- live in Concord, Massachusetts with their Marmee while their father is on the battlefield. Filled with adventure (both lived and imagined), heartbreak, and a deep sense of hope, the struggle of these “**Little Women**” to find their own voices mirrors the growing pains of a young America. With buoyant, joyful melodies, memorable characters, and a big-hearted story **Little Women** reminds us that “sometimes when you dream, your dreams come true.” The show will be directed by Alexa Night and will performed mid August 2020.

Let Us Save Your Memories by Putting them on DVD

INPUT	PRICE FOR DVD/CD
VIDEOTAPES 1-2 HOURS	1 - \$20 2-10 — \$15 each over 10 - \$10 each
MOVIE FILM	up to 100 ft 0.20/ft over 100 ft 0.15/ft
AUDIO CASSETTES	1 up to 90 min \$15 2 to 5 \$12 each over 5 \$10 each
DVD	1 - \$10 each 2-10 — \$8 each over 10 - \$5 each

Proceeds go to help with OLT programs

Even though our office is closed until further notice, work is continuing on orders placed prior to the closing of the office. If you have an order in progress you will be contacted when it is finished.

Progress is being made on the set for BIG. The heavy work was done as the A Midsummer Night's Dream set was being struck well before the pandemic. The rest is being accomplished by building subassemblies at home and erecting them using social distancing and working with cohabiting family members at the theatre.



Membership Form			
	Individual	Family ¹	Amount
Season Ticket and membership	\$50	\$110	<input type="checkbox"/>
Season Ticket only no membership	\$40	\$85	<input type="checkbox"/>
Membership only no season ticket	\$10	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major donor ²	\$1000		<input type="checkbox"/>
Patron ³	\$600 - 999		<input type="checkbox"/>
Supporter ⁴	\$250 - 499		<input type="checkbox"/>
Angel ⁵	\$125		<input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial Member ⁶	\$150		<input type="checkbox"/>
Life Membership	\$5000	\$7500 <small>(Husband and Wife)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>

MEMBERSHIPS

\$1000 Gift-Major Donor- this includes 2 votes (one for the member and one for spouse/partner) and 2 season tickets, 18 complimentary tickets per year. (2)

\$500 gift-Patron- includes 2 votes (one for the member and one for spouse/partner) and 2 season tickets, 12 complimentary tickets (3)

\$250 gift-Supporter this includes 2 votes (one for the member and one for spouse/partner) and 2 season tickets, 6 complimentary tickets per year. (4)

\$125 gift is an Angel- this includes 2 votes (one for the member and one for spouse/partner) and 2 season tickets. (5)

\$150 Commercial Member- 2 votes (one for the member and one for spouse/partner), ads in program, TV, and website; 10 complimentary tickets (6)

\$25 Family Member- husband, wife and children, two votes (one for the member and one for spouse/partner)

\$10 OLT yearly member- no season tickets but a member and 1 vote, this includes the cost of insurance required by the insurance company for all participants in OLT programs and productions. All cast members and crew **MUST** be a member to participate in our productions.

Life membership is available for individuals only. It would be for a one-time gift of \$5000. This is a non-transferable membership that would give the member free admission to all OLT/OLT functions, name on TV and in program. They would have voting privileges for life. Complimentary tickets would be available on request. This would be \$7500 for a couple.

Individual ticket prices are \$12 for an adult; \$8 for students & seniors for comedies and dramas.

Musical ticket prices are \$15 for adults; \$10.00 for students & seniors. **Season tickets are good for up to 8 shows!**

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Date _____
 Name _____
 Business (if applicable) _____
 Address _____
 City/State/ZIP _____
 Phone _____ email _____

Please mail this form with your check to:
 Quachita Little Theatre, P. O. Box 1217, Mena, AR 71953

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