

Celebrating 50 Years of Community Theatre In Montrose

Magic Circle Players

*The Golden Anniversary
2009-2010*



The Biggest Thief in Town, written by Montrose born Dalton Trumbo in 1949, is a biting funny, thinly disguised portrayal of actual people and events in Trumbo's long-time home of Grand Junction ("Shale City") in the late 1920's - early 30's. The story revolves around the undertaker who, learning that the town's wealthiest citizen is on his deathbed, wants to get the funeral job and profitable casket sale. Together with his drinking buddy, the town doctor, they devise schemes with hilarious consequences.
Director Ciel Bottomly, Assistant Director Margie Ferguson • September 2009

MY FAIR LADY, book and lyrics by Lerner and Loewe, is based on the story of Pygmalion, the sculptor that fell in love with his creation. Professor Henry Higgins (bachelor phoneticist) attempts to take a "Cockney gutter sparrow" (Eliza Doolittle) and transform her into a lady. Colonel Pickering cheers him on as wealthy Freddy falls in love with Eliza. Will Zoltan Karpathy expose this charade at the ball? Will Eliza's father, a common dustman, complicate matters, or will he "sell" his daughter to Prof. Higgins for a "five"? This Tony award winning musical includes some of the best music ever written for the stage.
Director Tom Chamberlain, Assistant Director Sandy Lundberg • November 2009



Steel Magnolias, written by Robert Harling, is a quintessential story of friendship, that serves up a slice of life in Louisiana that's as warm and comforting as sweet potato pie. In the haven of Truvy's beauty salon, six very different women come together to share their secrets and bare their souls, throwing in a little neighborly gossip for good measure. From weddings to divorces, babies to funerals, new beginnings to happy endings, they weather every event in their lives with grace, determination and perfectly coifed hair. *Co-directors Barbara Bourke & Tami McCay, Assistant Director Nathan Cretti • January 2010*

A Midsummer Night's Dream, is a comedy by William Shakespeare. Helena loves Demetrius, Demetrius loves Hermia, and Hermia loves Lysander. These lovers get mixed up in a quarrel between the fairy queen and king. On a hot summer night, the woods are filled with mischief, magic and merriment.
Co-directors Tony Ryan and Garth Mitchell • March 2010





Oklahoma! *Oklahoma!*, was the first musical collaboration by legendary duo Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein and has a long history for Magic Circle Players. This musical which is based on the Lynn Riggs play "Green Grow the Lilacs" (the first play produced by Magic Circle Players in 1959) tells the story of cowboy Curly McLain and his romance with farm girl Laurey Williams. Oklahoma! was also part of the Magic Circle's 25th anniversary season and as she did then, Director, Tricia Dickinson would like to dedicate this production to the next 25 years of Magic.
Director Tricia Dickinson • June 2010



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