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Summer 2010

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Here we are - on the heels of our 98th Season! Over the past year we have accomplished so much! In October 2009 Players was granted a Certificate of Occupancy for the Black Box Theatre. Since then, that space has been busy! We presented the **Black & Orange Bash**, a Halloween event like no other in the area. We also presented the **3rd Annual First Eve Celebration** in the Black Box Theatre, a New Years Eve event for the whole family. Many productions have been using the space for rehearsal, including the nearly 200 actors that make our Annual **Scrooge** production so successful! Finally, in June 2010, we launched a successful production of **The Mad Show** in the new theatre. This was a mile-stone for us as it was the first season production produced entirely in our own space!

So "what's next", you ask? We are currently working to produce our 2010-2011 Subscription Season in the Black Box Theatre. We are participating for the 7th consecutive season of free entertainment at **Utica Monday Nite** as we play host to groups from all over Central NY. We will conclude our Utica Monday Nite 2010 season with the ever-popular 2010-2011 Subscription Season Preview, an evening you won't want to miss!



We are also in the process of raising and securing funds to proceed with the Theatre Project. If you've been to the theatre, you can see that, although it is functional, it is far from complete. This Summer and Fall we hope to be able to continue the project by completing the lobby, lobby restrooms, ticket office and put the final touches on the Black Box Theatre. The next six-months should prove to be a very exciting time in Players 100 year history!

As always, we look forward to seeing you on-stage, back-stage, or in the audience soon!

Vince Scalise

New Directors Showcase

Players of Utica Program Committee is pleased to announce the inaugural production of our brand new program - **New Directors Showcase**. Amanda Roy-Small will be making her directing debut **Steel Magnolias** by Robert Harling.

The New Directors Showcase is a way of grooming individuals interested in honing their skills to become new directors that will eventually

work on directing a Subscription Season production. Each new director is assigned a directing mentor who is seasoned in all the innuendos of directing for a community theatre. Everything from budgets, auditions, artistic design, vision, and even set construction will be covered. This is a great way to prepare Players of Utica for the next 100-years!



Steel Magnolias
By Robert Harling

A New Directors Showcase presentation

Directed by
Amanda Roy-Small

July 29, 2010 at 7:30 pm

Tickets - \$10 at
www.playersofutica.org



2010-2011 Subscription Season - Still \$45 - never a better value!

IN PERSON

An Original Musical Premiere



Directed by Dan Fusillo
Musical Direction by Mark Bunce
Choreography by Mamie Bowdish

October 2010
at Players of Utica Theatre

Players is pleased to announce that we are holding our subscription prices at last season levels once again with 5 shows instead of 4!

Players of Utica subscribers receive special treatment in several ways. As a subscriber, you get:

- Four tickets to use any way you like
- Advance notice of tickets sales by postcard mailed to your address
- Footlights Newsletter mailed to your address
- Our Patron level gives you \$1.00 off additional tickets purchased in advance or at the door.
- Our Angel level gives you \$2.00 off additional tickets purchased in advance or at the door.

Complete a subscription form on back page or subscribe on-line at www.playersofutica.org.

FIVE WOMEN WEARING THE SAME DRESS

A comedy by Alan Ball

Directed by Ron Medici

November 11 - 13, 18 - 21, 2010
at Players of Utica Theatre



We expect to present a collaboration with Utica College

February 17 - 20, 2011
Details will follow soon



Individual tickets prices are as follows:

Musical:

- \$17.00 regular admission
- \$15.00 senior admission
- \$8.00 student admission

Non-Musical:

- \$14.00 regular admission
- \$12.00 senior admission
- \$7.00 student admission

Purchase tickets and Membership Subscriptions on-line at www.playersofutica.org

(Please note that on-line ticketing may not be available for all productions)

ALMOST MAINE

A comedy by John Cariani

Directed by Jane Metzger

March 10 - 12, 17 - 20, 2011
At Players of Utica Theatre

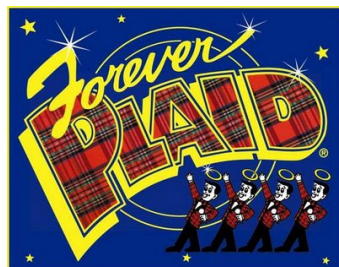


FOREVER PLAID

A musical by Stuart Ross

Directed by Daniel Fusillo
Music Direction by Mark Bunce
Choreography by Mamie Bowdish

June 2011
At Players of Utica Theatre



Use the form on the back page to get your
2010-2011 Membership Subscription
Still only \$45

(regular adult \$45 - seniors only \$35 - students only \$25)

**Become a 2010-2011
Season Sponsor**

**Contact us to learn how -
call 315-724-7624**



Players of Utica Summer 2010 Events

June 21st - August 16th at 7:00 pm - Players of Utica Hosts . . .

- Our 7th Season of participation with Utica Monday Night - **in *Players Black Box Theatre***
- Check our website for the full schedule - www.playersofutica.org

July 29th at 7:30 pm - *Steel Magnolias* by Robert Harling. Directed by Amanda Roy-Small

- A New Directors Showcase presentation - **in *Players Black Box Theatre***
- Tickets are just \$10 - Reservations are strongly encouraged as seating is limited.
- **Go to: www.playersofutica.org to reserve tickets now!**

August 16th - *Players of Utica 2010-2011 Season Preview at Utica Monday Nite*

- Don't miss this special evening of FREE entertainment as we present scenes from our 2010-2011 line-up of productions.
- Learn how to get involved and sign up to be a volunteer and purchase a Membership subscription.

September 17th at 6:00 pm - *Players-To-Go Dinner Theatre Francesca's Banquet, Herkimer*

- *PHANTOM OF THE . . . - a benefit for the Herkimer Child Advocacy Program*
This event is open to the public. Tickets will be available soon.

September 23rd at 6:00 pm - *Players-To-Go Dinner Theatre Ramada Inn, New Hartford*

- *PHANTOM OF THE . . . - a benefit for the Parkway Senior RSVP*
The event is open to the public. The cost is \$40 for dinner and the show. Tickets available soon.

December 10 & 11, 2010

SCROOGE

Live on stage at the Stanley Center for the Arts

With a special school production on Thursday, December 9, 2010

Players To-Go!

Did you know that Players of Utica partners with organizations from all over Central New York to provide first-class entertainment with ***Players To-Go!*** We have a wide range of "road-ready" productions that are available to bring to your venue. Productions vary from musicals, dinner theatre, educational training workshops, dramas and scenes. For a full list of productions and rates, contact Players of Utica at 315.724.7624.



Players of Utica Subscription-Membership Form

We are pleased to continue offering you quality productions at an affordable price!

___ Regular \$45 ___ Senior \$35 ___ Patron \$60 ___ Angel \$100 ___ Student \$25

Patrons may purchase additional tickets to shows in our season for \$1 off the regular price.

Angels may purchase additional tickets to shows in our season for \$2 off the regular price.

I would like to make a tax-deductible donation to Players of Utica (check one) ___ Building Fund ___ General Fund

Please circle or underline desired donation amount \$5 \$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 \$250 Other \$ _____

Please check payment type: Visa MasterCard Check enclosed (*Make checks payable to: Players of Utica*)

Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

If paying by credit card please complete the below information:

Card Account Number: _____ Expire Date: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Name as it appears on card: _____ Signature: _____

**Complete, cutout, and mail the above form to:
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