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Congratulations to the cast and crew of Silver Spotlight Theatre's GREASE!





Our Spring 2024 Alumni Production...



June 19th-24th, 2024

In this hilarious and outlandish story, the lives of six teenagers from a Canadian chamber choir are cut short in a freak accident aboard a roller coaster. When they awake in limbo, a mechanical fortune teller invites each to tell a story to win a prize like no other - the chance to return to life. This popular musical is a funny, moving look at what makes a life well-lived!

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TONI WILSON	DIRECTOR
JEFF HOLBROUGH	MUSIC DIRECTOR
SAMANTHA SENDAS	CHOREOGRAPHER
MARIANN SAWYER	STAGE MANAGER

Grease is presented by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc., a Concord Theatricals Company. **www.concordtheatricals.com**

The show is approximately two hours in length with a 15-minute intermission. No photography or recording is permitted during the performance. Concessions are available in the lobby.

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We, as settlers on these lands, acknowledge and give respect to all Indigenous Nations, coast to coast, who have been telling stories here long before us. We recognize the ancestral and unceded territories that continue to be home to many diverse First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples and we value the significant historic and contemporary contributions of local and regional First Nations communities.

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By Jay Davis

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THEY'RE FOUND IN TREES June 19 to July 13 By Norm Foster

Birders, William & Mitchell sit under the same tree every day & discuss birds, life, loss, and ladies' underwear, day in & day out. Then along comes Paula! Will three be a crowd?

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By Kristen Da Silva

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By Ephraim Ellis

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ABOUT SILVER SPOTLIGHT THEATRE

The idea for a senior theatre company hit Art Fidler back in pre-pandemic times. After the world started to return to normal, Art approached London's Musical Theatre Productions to take the idea under its wing, using its non-profit charitable status to help obtain a starting grant. Once that grant was received from the Ontario Government, plans quickly took shape. One of Art's students from the 1980s, Mary-Ellen Willard, stepped out of the past to offer her design and advertising business, adHOME Creative, to help them find a name and a logo for the new company, and so emerged Silver Spotlight Theatre.

Babes in Arms was chosen as the initial offering of the new theatre company and enjoyed a sold-out eight performance run in March 2023. A proposal was then submitted to MTP for a second Silver Spotlight production and the result, Grease, is before you today. Interest in Silver Spotlight continues to grow with Into the Woods having been selected as the company's production for next season. There has been an incredible buzz generated for both Grease and Silver Spotlight with some social media posts going viral and recognition from various media outlets including Playbill magazine.

All it took was one dreamer with a vision to find believers and help make a reality out of that fantasy.

That is the magic of theatre.







DIRECTOR'S NOTES: TONI WILSON

Theatre has always been my passion. It brings people together and allows them to create something wonderful to be shared with loved ones. It's so rewarding to watch what begins as an idea grow into a dynamic theatrical presentation through the hard work of so many people – both cast and crew. Last year was the first year for Silver Spotlight Theatre which gave me an opportunity to revisit the stage in Babes in Arms. The experience allowed so many of us to get back to what we love or take a chance on trying something new and so a group of Silver Spotlighters took flight. We wanted the experience to continue so I gathered together a wonderful Artistic Team, Mike, Jeff, Sam and Mariann to bring Grease to the stage but this time we experienced it through the eyes of those 55 and over reliving our high school years. What a challenge and a delight. We have done nothing but laugh. The name of the game is having fun on and off the stage, celebrating our new-found group of theatre lovers.

True collaboration builds community and the opportunity to have Musical Theatre Productions and Silver Spotlight Theatre work together does just that. Sharing ideas with the young and welcoming ideas from the experienced goes together like "Chang Chang Changity Chang Shoo Bop."

Thank you to everyone who has made this dream come true.



"Grease is the word."



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PRODUCER'S NOTES: MIKE JEWISON

When Toni Wilson asked if I would be willing to produce this season's Silver Spotlight presentation of Grease, I was both terrified and delighted. Performing in the ensemble of last year's Babes in Arms was my initial step into the wonderful world of theatre and producing Grease would provide an opportunity to experience a side of the production I hadn't seen last year.

I thought to myself "How hard could it be?"

Famous last words.

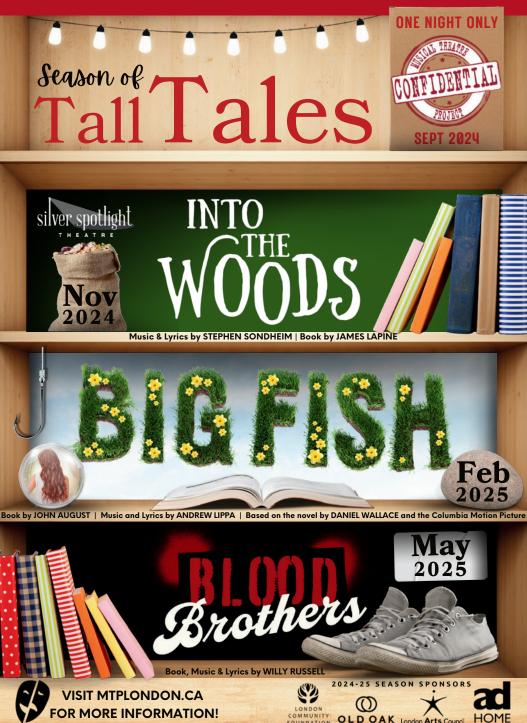
Producing this show has been one of the most challenging yet satisfying roles I've ever undertaken. I've met an incredible array of highly talented artists -- from our artistic team of Toni, Jeff, Mariann and Sam, to the triple-threat actors in the cast, to the fastidious members of the crew (the unsung heroes working behind the scenes) – all of whom have offered incredible support to me as a first-time producer.

Fitting everything together as we worked through the spring to get this show ready for you the audience has been a labour of love. Silver Spotlight is more than just theatre – it's community. The bonds that have been forged over the past few months will last a lifetime and I'm fortunate to be a part of that.

Sit back, enjoy the show and remember – Grease is the word!



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Musical Theatre Productions (MTP) is a non-profit, charitable organization formed in 1988 in London, Ontario. MTP stages several productions and other musical events each year and has produced over 75 musicals for the enjoyment of London audiences.

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MUSICAL THEATRE PRODUCTIONS President's notes: Ben Leibovitz

Welcome to "Grease." We're so thankful you've chosen to spend your time with us and support local musical theatre. If you're reading this message, you're part of a select group that managed to secure one of the hottest tickets in town. The triumphant return of our Silver Spotlight Theatre branch sold out in less than two weeks, and four months in advance of Opening Night. (Grease really is the word!)

Since then, we've seen an outpouring of support for our production, including a social media post going viral with Playbill, a preeminent American theatre magazine. It's clear that the success of Silver Spotlight speaks to the important role it plays in the London theatre community by providing local talent 55+ with a dedicated space to create and perform.

But Silver Spotlight is about more than just the onstage experience: the social bonds formed within this production and our maiden voyage with Babes in Arms last year, have led to many newfound friendships and even informal group trips to New York City.

If this all sounds like something you'd be interested in, and you're in our 55+ community, we'd love to see you at the auditions for our next Silver Spotlight production. For those not yet in that age bracket, or for those that are and are looking for even more opportunities to get involved, details on auditions for our 2024-25 season will be coming soon. Stay tuned.

I'd like to extend congratulations to everyone involved in the show. The cast, crew, band and artistic team have worked very hard on this project and we hope you enjoy it. I'd also like to extend a special thanks to Mark Baines, the coordinator of our Silver Spotlight branch on our Musical Theatre Productions board, for all of his hard work in supporting the show. We hope to see you back here for our 2024-25 season, which will once again feature Silver Spotlight along with our other productions.

If you'd like to find more ways to support our organization, such as auditioning, becoming a member, volunteering, or by donating, please check out our website, **mtplondon.ca**, or follow us on social media, **@mtplondon**.

On behalf of the Musical Theatre Productions' Board of Directors, please sit back and enjoy the show.

GREASE SYNOPSIS

Here is Rydell High's senior class of 1959: duck-tailed, hot-rodding "Burger Palace Boys" and their gum-snapping, hip-shaking "Pink Ladies" in bobby sox and pedal pushers, evoking the look and sound of the 1950s in this rollicking musical that is both an homage to the idealism of the fifties and a satire of high schoolers' age-old desire to be rebellious and provocative. At the heart of the story is the romance between hot-rodding "greaser" Danny Zuko and the sweet new girl in town, Sandy Dumbrowski. They had a secret summer romance, but now back in the context of school, peer-pressure and cliques make their love a bit more complicated. Can Danny maintain his cool dude status and still make demure Sandy his girl?

The whole gang sings and dances around Danny and Sandy's romance, through such hit songs as "Greased Lightnin'", "We Go Together", and "Mooning", recalling the music of Buddy Holly, Little Richard and Elvis Presley that became the soundtrack of a generation. An eight year run on Broadway and two subsequent revivals, along with innumerable school and community productions place Grease among the world's most popular musicals.

BAS

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MUSICAL NUMBERS

PREQUEL WRITTEN BY JOHN PALMER AND TONI WILSON

ACT 1:

Alma Mater: Full Company Alma Mater Parody: Full Company Summer Nights: Sandy & Danny, Full Company

Those Magic Changes: Doody, Full Company

Freddy, My Love: Marty, Pink Ladies Greased Lightning: Kenickie and The Boys

Rydell Fight Song: Sandy & Patty Mooning: Roger & Jan

Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee: Rizzo We Go Together: Full Company



ACT 2:

Shakin' at the High School Hop: Full Company

Hopelessly Devoted to You: Sandy Shakin' at the High School Hop Reprise: Full Company

Born to Hand-Jive: Johnny Casino, Full Company

Beauty School Dropout: Frenchy, Teen Angel and The Girls

Sandy: Danny

Rock 'N' Roll Party Queen: Doody and Roger

There are Worse Things I Could Do: Rizzo

Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee Reprise: Sandy

You're the One That I Want: Sandy and Danny, Full Company

We Go Together Reprise: Full Company

Grease: Full Company

Medley: Everyone

"GREASE"

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"YOU'RE THE ONE THAT I WANT"

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RYDELL HIGH SCHOOL

KELLY HOLBROUGH (left)

PP: Anything fake! FS: Deportment PD: On a beach somewhere FP: " It is what it is..."

CHRIS HOFFER (right)

PP: Pom poms FS: Religious Studies PD: The great blue yonder FP: "Drive on!"



SANDY



DANNY

MARGO SURMAN (left) PP: Mean girls

FS: Music class PD: Beautician FP: "Do ya want me to do something special with your hair or makeup?"

JEROME THOMAS (right) PP: Miss Lynch FS: Skipping out of class PD: Teen Idol FP: "Hey Danny!"



FRENCHY



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ANN LOEBACH (left)

PP: I still ain't got a date FS: Boys PD: Country Singer FP: "Yeah, what a drag"

DAVID BUTCHER (right) PP: Miss Lynch FS: Auto Shop PD: Jail FP: "Fricken Eh!"



MARTY

SONNY

CLASS OF 1959 GRADUATING SENIORS

LEGEND

- PP: Pet Peeve
- FS: Favourite Subject
- PD: Probable Destination
- FP: Favourite Phrase



RIZZO



KENICKIE



MARY-ELLEN WILLARD (left)

PP: Cheap balloons FS: Biology...wink, wink PD: Anywhere but here FP: "She looks too pure to be pink"

PATRICK HOFFER (right)

PP: Country Music FS: Skipping School PD: Rigel 7 FP: "Get Bent"

JAN



TRACEY ANDRUS (left)

PP: Smoking FS: Drama with Art Fidler PD: Teaching or cottage life FP: "Nothing worth having comes easy"

DAN SURMAN (right)

PP: Old sardines FS: Astronomy PD: The moon FP: "I'm the king of the mooners"



MISS LYNCH





EUGENE

MARIA MARSH (left)

PP: Wrinkled spirit ribbons FS: Any subject other than Math PD: A spinster without pets FP: "Here's what happened to this"

JEFF KIRTON (right) PP: Bullies FS: Math PD: Wall Street/Bay Street FP: "Huh!"

PLAYING THE PALACE 2024-2025



Pirates of Penzance (September 26-October 6, 2024):

In this exhilarating adaptation of the classic Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, "Pirates of Penzance," get ready to experience a swashbuckling adventure like never before! This production takes a bold and modern approach by updating the music with pop/rock/rap, bringing a fresh and contemporary vibe to the beloved show. With gender-swapped casting, the characters come to life in exciting new ways, challenging traditional gender roles and adding an extra layer of intrigue.

I'll Be Back Before Midnight (October 24-November 3, 2024):

Prepare to be on the edge of your seat with the spine-chilling thriller, "I'll Be Back Before Midnight." Written by Peter Colley, this gripping play follows a married couple who rent a remote country farmhouse for a peaceful getaway. However, their idyllic retreat takes a terrifying turn when strange occurrences and ghostly encounters begin to haunt them. As the suspense builds, secrets are uncovered, and paranoia sets in, leaving the audience guessing until the very end.

Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley (November 28-December 8, 2024): Step into the enchanting world of Jane Austen's beloved characters in "Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley." Written by Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon, this heartwarming and humorous play is set two years after the events of Pride and Prejudice. Join the Bennet sisters as they gather at the grand estate of Pemberley for the holiday season. Focusing on Mary Bennet, the often-overlooked middle sister, this delightful story explores love, family dynamics, and the pursuit of happiness.

The Odd Couple (April 3-13, 2025): Neil Simon's timeless comedy, "The Odd Couple," brings together two mismatched roommates in a hilarious and entertaining tale. When recently divorced neat freak Felix Ungar moves in with his messy and carefree friend Oscar Madison, their conflicting personalities clash in hilarious ways. As they navigate their new living arrangement, their differences lead to comedic misunderstandings, uproarious conflicts, and unexpected friendships.

Harvey (April 30-May 11, 2025): Experience the whimsical and heartwarming tale of "Harvey," written by Mary Chase. This Pulitzer Prize-winning play introduces us to Elwood P. Dowd, a kind-hearted and eccentric man who insists on introducing everyone to his best friend, Harvey –a 6-foot-3-inch tall invisible rabbit. As Elwood's family and society struggle to accept his unique friendship, they are forced to question their own definition of reality and what it truly means to be sane.

Little Shop of Horrors (May 28-June 8, 2025): Get ready for a musical adventure like no other with "Little Shop of Horrors!" With a book and lyrics by Howard Ashman and music by Alan Menken, this cult classic tells the story of Seymour, a down-on-his-luck floral assistant, and his discovery of a mysterious and bloodthirsty plant named Audrey II. As the plant's appetite grows, so does Seymour's fame and fortune, but at a deadly cost.

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PATTY

CHA CHA/ DANCE CAPTAIN

KAREN MACDONALD (left)

PP: First period swimming class FS: French PD: Sexy French actress FP: "Outta sight and in the groove"

TERI MAY (right)

PP: Procrastination
FS: English
PD: Unknown
FP: "You only live once, but if you do it right, once is all you need"

ANGIE JANSEN (left) PP: Gum stuck under the table FS: Math PD: Beach FP: "Groovy!"

PETER RUSSELL (right)

PP: Bullies! FS: Typing (with all the girls) PD: Vegas FP: "You're Terrific!"

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ANGEL



CASINO

DAVID THORNER (left) PP: Girls that don't like me

FS: Girls PD: Where the girls are FP: "Where's the girls?"

RICK SMITH (right)

- PP: Grocery shoppers taking up the entire aisle
 FS: Theatre Arts
 PD: Multiple shows at one time
- FP: "This too shall pass"













MICHELLE BROCK (left)

PP: People who smoke in public spaces PP: Phys. Ed/Dance and Math PD: Teacher FP: "Seriously?"

SUE BRUYNS (right)

PP: When people arrive late PP: Music, love those early morning band rehearsals PD: Teaching English at Rydell FP: "Tell me more.tell me more!"

BARB CURRADO (left)

PP: Mean girls FS: Theatre Arts PD: Caribbean island with a coconut rum in hand FP: "Anyone got some Double mint gum?"

SUSAN DEAN (right)

PP: Boys who can't dance FS: French/Latin PD: Somewhere other than Windsor, Ontario FP: "Neat-o!"

NANCY FADER (left)

PP: Gym uniform checks FS: Music & Gym PD: Singing Farmer FP: "Let's Go!"

HEATHER HEATHCOTE (right)

PP: Stinky boys FS: English **PD:** English Teacher FP: "It's a gas"

NEILA LAWSON (left)

PP: Bossy people FS: MUSIC! PD: Woolworths Lunch Counter Waitress FP: "Not my circus, not my monkey"

ROB HIBBS (right)

PP: When some bird dog is eyeing up my favourite dolly FS: Shop! I get a kick out of anything chariot related PD: Burning rubber in my bitchin' machine! FP: "Come on Snake, Let's Rattle!"













BETH

MACDOUGALL-SHACKLETON (left)

PP: Not allowed to wear pants to school FS: PE, but only if it's dance! No basketball! PD: Dancer on Alan Freed's Big Beat show. Fingers crossed! FP: "What's shakin', bacon?"

RACHELLE PETERSON (right)

PP: Cliaues FS: English PD: Motherhood FP: "Say what you mean and mean what you say!"

LISA SHELTON (left)

PP: Cafeteria food FS: Typing class PD: Secretarial school FP: "That's nifty!"

SUSAN SMYTHE (right)

PP: Dance Class FS: Music PD: Teaching Dance at the Seniors Centre FP: "I'm such a Klutz!!"

JANICE VAN DASLER (left)

- PP: People spelling the word "its" incorrectly
- FS: Music class
- PD: Florence, Italy
- FP: "What do you expect from a pig, but a grunt?"

MITCH ZIMMER (right)

PP: Stink-foot FS: Cosmik Debris PD: Montana FP: "Don't you eat that yellow snow"





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COSTUMES



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STAGE MANAGER



ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER



COSTUMES

MIKE JEWISON (left)

PP: Smart people doing stupid things FS: Math PD: Anywhere you can see the sun in November FP: "Seriously?"

TONI WILSON (right)

PP: People who think they are experts FS: Dramatic Arts PD: A Wannabe Rock Star FP: "You've got to be kidding"

MARIANN SAWYER (left)

PP: Leaving cabinet doors open FS: Theatre Arts and AP Biology PD: Signing her latest book on a red carpet FP: "Whatever floats your boat!"

ANNETTE GILBERT (right)

PP: People who don't know the rules of the road FS: Music - piano PD: Tour de France FP: "Yes boss!"

DON MILLAR (left)

PP: "When are we going to get there?" Repeatedly FS: Industrial Arts. I made a lamp, and a night table PD: Travel agent for Justin Bieber FP: "Let's blow this pop stand!"

JAYNE TERRY (right)

PP: People with too much carry on baggage FS: Literature PD: Walking in the woods FP: "Look on the bright side"

HEATHER GREGOR (left)

PP: No senior discounts FS: Phys. Ed. PD: Lake of Bays FP: "Let's get it done!"

LORI HAYNES (right)

PP: Stained teacups FS: Psychology PD: An overwater bungalow in Tahiti FP: "Seriously?"



MUSIC DIRECTOR



PRODUCTION COORDINATOR/ SET DESIGNER



COSTUMES LEAD



COSTUMES



CHOREOGRAPHER



ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER



COSTUMES



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JEFF HOLBROUGH (left)

PP: Maybe we could sing it this way...
FS: Duh - Music
PD: Hanging out on the beach with Sandy
FP: "Calm the @*&% down"

SAMANTHA SENDAS (right)

PP: Unsolicited advice and recommendation
FS: Dance/Choreography
PD: Broadway
FP: "Trust the Universe"

TOM SMYTH (left)

PP: Warm beer FS: Cars PD: Daytona 500 FP: "You talkin' to me?"

ANITA GOODFELLOW (right)

PP: Bad drivers FS: English PD: Cozumel FP: "Whattaya say to a guy in a letter anyway?"

SHERRY SHORE (left)

PP: Bad grammar
FS: French & Spanish
PD: Anywhere where French and Spanish are spoken
FP: "A mal tiempo, buena cara"

CATHY WEAVER (right)

PP: Pet Peeve: Dog owners who don't pick up after their dog.
FS: History
PD: Human Resources
FP: "Let me be clear"

TERI HIBBS (left)

PP: Rude boys! FS: Social Studies PD: World traveler FP: "Everything happens for a reason"

SHELLEY LEVI (right)

PP: Poor customer service FS: Spirituality PD: Negril Beach Jamaica FP: "Funnsies"

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EMILIE MICHIENZI (left)

PP: People who lie FS: Art/Theatre Arts PD: Any tropical beach FP: "When one door closes, a better one opens"

MARY LEIPALA (right)

PP: People who complain while traveling FS: Geography PD: Any foreign country FP: "Bon Voyage"

WENDY KOPP (left)

PP: Negative People FS: Science PD: Hawaii FP: "Aloha"

HEATHER SOULLIERE (right)

PP: Stolen hubcaps FS: Drama PD: Disney World FP: "Rockin' and rollin' and what not"

CARMEN LAMOND (left)

PP: Brylcreem in boys' hair, really messy when I run my fingers through it FS: Boys PD: Get through high school and travel the world FP: "Don't worry about it"

CARMEL FLEMING (right) PP: Bossy people FS: Cosmetology PD: An exotic getaway on the beach FP: "Really, Gary??"

ROB COLES (left)

PP: People who talk too much FS: Technical Studies PD: Disney Illumination FP: "If you say so..."

BRIAN INCE (right) PP: Bad drivers FS: All of them PD: My Backyard FP: Censored :)

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Principal by day, pianist by night. Annette has been entertaining and playing piano since she was a kid. She has a BA and MA in Music. While her first Grease performance was in 1979, rehearsing with this cast has been such a blast, it won't be her last!

JOHN CUCIUREAN (Guitar)

John is the guitarist for productions of Kinky Boots and Grease this season. He has previously played in pit bands for Bye Bye Birdie, Godspell, Jacques Brel, Jesus Christ Superstar, and others. When not playing his guitar, he serves as Associate Dean (Academic Programs) and Associate Professor in the Don Wright Faculty of Music at Western University.

DAVE SEMPLE (Guitar 2)

Dave has been involved in local theatre and music for over 30 years as an actor, director, and singer/songwriter but this is his first time playing in the pit. He really hopes he doesn't suck and if he does, he hopes his amp is turned down enough for you not to notice. Retirement is for trying things you've never done before.

JIM SMYTHE (Bass)

Jim is a Western Music graduate. He is a former music educator in Thames Valley and instrumental instructor at Western's Faculty of Education. He is proficient on both tuba and electric bass and audiences may hear him play in some of London's finest big bands, Encore - The Concert Band and accompanying numerous vocal ensembles.

ROB INCH (Percussion)

Rob has retired from teaching elementary school music and currently is the Educational Representative at Long and McQuade. He has performed with many ensembles - Brassroots, Fanshawe Chorus London, London Symphonia, Amabile Choirs, Encore -The Concert Band, Choral Connection, the Percussion Trio to name a few.

RALPH DELUCA (Saxophone)

Ralph is a professional musician and music educator in London, Ontario. An accomplished performer on saxophone, clarinet and flute, Ralph has been an active performer throughout his teaching career and for the past twenty-seven years has served as the music director and played lead saxophone in the London Jazz Orchestra, recipients of several London Music Awards.

SPECIAL THANKS TO GREASE SUPPORTERS :

JIM CRESSMAN (Wordsmith)

Jim thanks his late adoptive parents Peg and Del for choosing London, an easy drive to so much wonderful theatre. He's long-retired from his job of 36 years as a Free Press sports reporter and last summer ended 60 years umpiring baseball, but you'll still see him in the audience as long as he's able.

MARY-ELLEN WILLARD (Graphic Design)

As one of the owners of adHOME Creative, Mary-Ellen and her team developed the Silver Spotlight Theatre brand and created the conceptual design for Babes in Arms, the debut show. For this year's Grease, the team created the greasers design for all of the printed and digital media along with the animated backgrounds for each scene in the show.

DEBORAH MITCHELL (Advertising Sales)

Deborah has enjoyed acting and singing in many area productions since she arrived in London in 1979 to take her first teaching job. She has directed many, and choreographed some, musical productions, most of them with her Thames Valley students or Diva Productions. Now retired, she is the Drama teacher at Arts 4 All Kids at the London Food Bank.

HENRY TRUONG, MARK BAINES, JACOB WILEY (Musical Theatre Productions Board and Publicity Liaisons)

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THE HAIR AND MAKEUP TEAM

Eva Bartsch, Philippa Dayton, Sue Harrington, Elaine Moxley

THE SWAMP RATS (Set Construction/Build Team)

The Swamp Rats enjoy building sets for musical theatre. It inspires and activates their creative juices; it's fun to do, and it's certainly a welcome change from their daily routine. The payoff and reward comes when they watch the cast performing alongside their creations.

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