

"We must all do theatre to find out who we are, and to discover who we could become." – Augusto Boal

9/14/2021

Dear Sponsor,

If life mimic art and art mimics life, then it looks like we are now ready to begin act two. Stage lights are turning back on and venues are slowly beginning to open up for audiences. While the Auditoria may not be filled to capacity, we are at least able to welcome socially distanced family, friends and supporters of the arts back to watch live theatre.

The purpose of this letter is to ask for your support for the Wilmington High School Theater program by becoming a season sponsor. Sponsorship helps offset the cost of our high quality productions, creates funding for long term projects, and allows us to purchase the necessary technology and equipment to enhance the theatre education of our students. The theatre program at Wilmington High School provides students a professional theatre experience, be it on stage or back stage. Students also learn leadership skills and what it takes to be part of a production from start to finish. Set construction, running sound and lights, stage management, and more...students have the opportunity to be involved during the entire production process.

In the fall we will present the Commedia Dell' Arte show *The Servant of Two Masters*. This Italian comedy follows the antics of one man trying to serve two people at the same time. Mix in a young couple ready for marriage...Add a woman seeking money after her brother's death...stir it all up with some zany waiters and you have the recipe for a crazy, physical, hilarious comedy.

Our winter musical is *Newsies!* Set in turn-of-the century New York City, *Newsies* is the rousing tale of Jack Kelly, a charismatic newsboy and leader of a band of teenaged "newsies." When titans of publishing raise distribution prices at the newsboys' expense, Jack rallies newsies from across the city to strike against the unfair conditions and fight for what's right! Based on the 1992 motion picture and inspired by a true story, *Newsies* is packed with non-stop thrills and a timeless message, perfect for the whole family and every audience.

This year we are doing something unique with our winter musical...renting the entire set. In order to transport the audience to the early 1900s New York we are renting our set, right down to the authentic printing press. This does come at a cost and your donations will help fund this project.

We finish our season with a super spring production in May. This year features student directed One Act Plays from the Directing class. Check our website for more details.

You may participate as a donor for the 2021-2022 season in one of two ways:

1. Fill out the form, mark the appropriate amount, and send in your check.
2. Donate online by going to our website and following the button on the home page:

[www.theatreatwhs.weebly.com](http://www.theatreatwhs.weebly.com)

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued support.



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WHS Theater Director  
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## 2021 - 2022 Season Sponsorship Form Theatre at Wilmington High School

Sponsorship Levels: (Please check the appropriate level of sponsorship)

\_\_\_\_\_ Benefactor (\$700+)

- Your name (or business name) displayed in all show programs
- 10 tickets to be used for any show(s) this season (if seating capacity allows)\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Patron (\$500-\$699)

- Your name (or business name) displayed in all show programs
- 8 tickets to be used for any show(s) this season (if seating capacity allows)\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Producer (\$350-\$499)

- Your name (or business name) displayed in all show programs
- 6 tickets to be used for any show(s) this season (if seating capacity allows)\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Ensemble (\$200-\$349)

- Your name (or business name) displayed in all show programs
- 4 tickets to be used for any show(s) this season (if seating capacity allows)\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Designer (\$100-\$199)

- Your name (or business name) displayed in all show programs
- 2 tickets to be used for any show(s) this season (if seating capacity allows)\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Player (up to \$99)

- Your name (or business name) displayed in all show programs

### Program:

Please print your name as it should appear in the program: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I would prefer my sponsorship remain anonymous.

For credit card donation please visit: [www.theatreatwhs.weebly.com](http://www.theatreatwhs.weebly.com) and click the donation link.

The link is the Clinton County Foundation's online gift page. Questions? Give Jan Blohm a call: 937-566-1634

Email: (for future communication): \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Wilmington Schools Foundation (with "Theatre at WHS" in the memo)

Send this form and a check for the appropriate amount to:

Theatre at Wilmington High School

c/o Ken Lydy

300 Richardson Place

Wilmington, OH 45177

Thank you for your support!

The deadline for the *Servant of Two Masters* program printing is Monday, November 1, 2021

\*Tickets can be used for one show or spread out through the entire season if seating is available due to seating capacity.