



Words from the Wings

Children's Theatre Workshop

November 2009

Next Up:

The Emperor's New Clothes

Our next production will be the Main Company's *The Emperor's New Clothes* adapted by former teacher Kim Yost. Public performances will be December 5th at 1pm and 3:30pm. All performances will be held in the Lois M. Nelson Theater for the Performing Arts at the Collingwood Arts Center and are performed by our students aged five to fifteen.

The Emperor's New Clothes is the famous tale of a leader who implores two young weavers to create a garment made of a fabric invisible to anyone that it deems inferior. Come see our Main Company perform this fairytale story of learning and humility!

Young CTW Girl Wins Humanitarian Award

We would like to congratulate our very own Hannah Turner on winning a Toledoan of the Year Award this past spring at the age of eight. When Hannah was just four years old, she was volunteering at a shelter with her mother on Thanksgiving, and noticed a gentleman wearing shoes but no socks. She was sure that his feet must be cold and so offered him her socks. The next

day Hannah and her mother, Doris, purchased pairs of socks and delivered them to various shelters in the Toledo area. They soon created the non-profit organization Hannah's Socks, and have delivered thousands of socks to shelters across the area. If you would like more information or would like to donate please visit www.hannahssocks.org.



Hannah Turner as a Toledoan of the Year.

Wish List

Children's Theatre Workshop depends on donations from our families and community. Listed below are a few things that would help make CTW better for our kids and the community.

- 1) industrial strength vacuum cleaner for the theater
- 2) tiles for backstage of the theater
- 3) 2 hours of volunteer time to paint the bathrooms

* Of course, we always welcome any donation of time and energy to keep our theater and classrooms clean and tidy. Let us know if you would like to help out.

Mayhem at Brookfield

This past October saw the World Premiere production of *Mayhem at Brookfield*. The show was written by members of the current CTW Teen Company. The students had a blast writing and acting in their own work. We will have a review of the production in our next newsletter, but we hope you were able to come out and enjoy the show.



Cast of *Mayhem at Brookfield*.

We Need a Lead Costumer

Children's Theater Workshop is looking for a new Lead Costumer. Main duties would be taking charge of the 5th Floor storage closet and helping with costumes for productions. 5th Floor duties include: keeping costumes hung and sorted and in their proper place. During productions, the Lead Costumer would aid students and production crew in searching for costumes.

Ideally, the Lead Costumer would assist the students after strike in putting away the costumes used for the production and see to laundering and mending items as needed. It may seem daunting, but rest assured that Ann Flagg has been hard at work creating order on the 5th Floor. We would

like to have someone start in this position as soon as possible to allow for training and continuity. If you are interested in the position please contact the office at (419) 244-5061, or email at info@childrenstheaterworkshop.org or simply stop by next time you're around.

A Message from Pat Tansey, Technical Director

Our facilities are in need of some repair and improvement. There are a few broken windows in the Parent Lounge that need servicing. The furnace in the theater is malfunctioning. We would like to install some insulation, but need help operating the blower. We also need help with plasterboard repair and installation. Any time you could volunteer to help make CTW a better facility for our kids is greatly appreciated.

On a good note, The Repertoire Theatre recently donated a much needed light board to CTW. Many thanks go out to those at The Rep and to Bill Ryan, chief engineer at WGTE, for donating his time and services to repair and install the light board. The new acquisition was first used for the production of *Mayhem at Brookfield*.



A handful of our CTW teens with our new light board.

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Important Dates

December 3 rd	<i>The Emperor's New Clothes</i> (school shows)
December 5 th	<i>The Emperor's New Clothes</i> (public shows)
January 2 nd	Winter Registration
January 2 nd -March 6 th	Teen Company Classes
January 9 th -March 13 th	Main Company Classes
February 19 th and 20 th	<i>Sunset Village Towers</i>
April 8 th	<i>Rapunzel</i> (school shows)
April 10 th & 11 th	<i>Rapunzel</i> (public shows)
May 21 st & 22 nd	<i>The Lady Pirates of Captain Bree</i>