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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR...

What does theater really contribute to our community? I've heard this asked on occasion, never in a mean way. Just an honest question. People often try to look at the output of theater - the money, the tickets, the tourism - as a means of success. Those certainly aren't bad things to look at, and they can be the result of good theater. In truth, though, it's the input - what it gives us - that makes it a success. So what's the most important thing theater contributes?

The people, of course. Theater invests in the lives of everyone it touches - from cast and crew to audience. It brings us together in a unique, special way.

It was this spirit of community that drew me into directing The Music Man for WWOB. I was excited to see others enjoy the sense of friendship and teamwork my wife and I got to experience performing the show years prior.

WWOB has always strived for excellence on stage, and we want to bring the audience something in every show that they've never seen before. From special effects to fly rigs and more, we want audiences to leave wow'd. In this show, the "special effect" is the ensemble becoming entire community of interesting, quirky, funny people and really, it's no effect. These people have generously donated their time and talent and have grown to become a community of their own. It is their genuine love for each other and this show that shines on stage - I couldn't be prouder.

The best part of community theater is the word "community." A lot of places do theater, but few places do community. Just like the characters in The Music Man, the WWOB community has a lot of personality, with some good days, some frustrating days, and everything in between. But for anyone engaging in the WWOB community, the main goal is always the same: "people are more important than plays." For me, The Music Man is our tribute to the very community WWOB has hoped to cultivate these last few years. Just as the people of River City Iowa learn that it's not the music that makes them united, but rather the spirit of community, so we too remember what is most important in our community. We remember what it is that theater teaches our community, a lesson that can't be found in a textbook...

People are more important than plays. Music is the melody of our memories. So love people, make lots of music, and always find the harmony in every part of life.

Kyle Bullock, Director

Special Thanks

Michael Allen, Casey Bedford, Michael Bedford, Kamdyn Bishop, John Bitner, Rebekah Bitner, Devon Bullock, Don Bullock, Brian Cole, Charity Czechorski, Frances Dubiel, Kevin Everitt (GHS), Nicholas Featherstone, Tom Graham, Johnnie Hector-Lujan, Greg Holman, Missy Holman, Michele Massey, Patty Nolan (GHS), Tom Palmer, Jan Smith, Summer Souza, Tony Souza, Christina Stock, Julie Washichek, Spencer Wilden, and the wonderfully supportive family members of our cast and crew!



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Directed by KYLE BULLOCK and GREG HOLMAN (asst.)

Musical direction by DEVON BULLOCK Choreography by SUMMER SOUZA Set design by GREG HOLMAN

Lighting design by SUMMER SOUZA, TONY SOUZA (asst.) and JOHN BITNER (asst.)

Costume design by JAN SMITH, HANNAH SWEATFIELD (asst.), NANCY HEIN (asst.), AGNES BONHAM (asst.), and CASEY BEDFORD (asst.)

Hair and makeup design by TARRA MORGAN

Hair and makeup assistants: JULISSA SOTO, SABRINA OCHOA, ILIANA FLORES, DESIREE TORRES, TESS GOMEZ, MONICA GARCIA, CELESTE BENAVIDES, ABILENE CONTRERES, YVONNE OLIVARES, ANDREA CORBELL, BRIANNA HERNANDEZ, LORENA RODRIGUEZ

Stage crew: JULIE WASHICHEK (Stage Manager), TANYA PARKS (Lighting Operator), DEVON BULLOCK (Sound Operator), ZOE BEDFORD, NANCY HEIN, HEATHER HELMERS, and JAN SMITH

Way Way Off-Broadway Artisitc Director – SUMMER SOUZA

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SCENE & SONG LIST

ACT I

"Rock Island"	Charlie Cowell and Traveling Salesmen
"Iowa Stubborn	Townspeople of River City
"(Ya Got) Trouble"	Harold Hill and Townspeople
"Piano Lesson"	Marian Paroo, Mrs. Paroo
	and Amaryllis
"Goodnight, My Someone"	
"Seventy-Six Trombones"	Harold, Boys
	and Girls
"Sincere"	Quartet (Olin Britt, Oliver Hix,
	Ewart Dunlop, Jacey Squires)
"The Sadder-But-Wiser Girl"	
"Pickalittle (Talk-a-Little)"	Eulalie Shinn, Maud Dunlop,
	Ethel Toffelmier, Alma Hix,
	Mrs. Squires and Ladies of River City
"Goodnight, Ladies"	
"Marian The Librarian"	Harold, Boys
	and Girls
"My White Knight"	
"The Wells Fargo Wagon"	Winthrop Paroo, Townspeople

There will be one 20 minute intermission.

ACT II

The Quartet, Eulalie,
Maud, Ethel, Alma and Mrs. Squires
Marcellus, Harold,
Marian and townspeople
Eulalie, Maud,
Ethel, Alma, Mrs. Squires and Ladies
Quartet
Marian
Winthrop, Mrs. Paroo,
and Marian
Marian and Harold
e" (reprise) Harold and Marian
Company
Company

PRODUCTION TEAM BIOS

Tarra Morgan (Hair and Makeup Design) Tarra Morgan was raised in Roswell New Mexico, she has been a cosmetologist for 17 years and a cosmetology instructor at Olympian Academy of Cosmetology for 10 years. Tarra is a certified licensed HD Makeup Artist and is screen credited for Key Makeup in the movie Camp, as well as several Indie films and Commercials. Tarra is well seasoned in theatre production including acting in Godspell, Little Shop of Horrors, Hairspray, WWOB's Les Miserables, Seussical and the hair and makeup artist for ENMU-R's Beauty And The Beast, Hairspray, and The Little Mermaid. In her spare time she works with her business partner on their pageant system Diamond Trio Pageants. Tarra would like to thank the cast, production team and her students for their hard work and dedication during this production.

Julie Washichek (Stage Manager) Julie was most recently seen is WWOB's Seussical. This is her first time stage managing. She has learned so much already and could not be more excited for this show and being involved with the production side. She wants to thank her awesome husband, Derek Washichek, for encouraging her to be involved and picking up the slack with their two children during show time.

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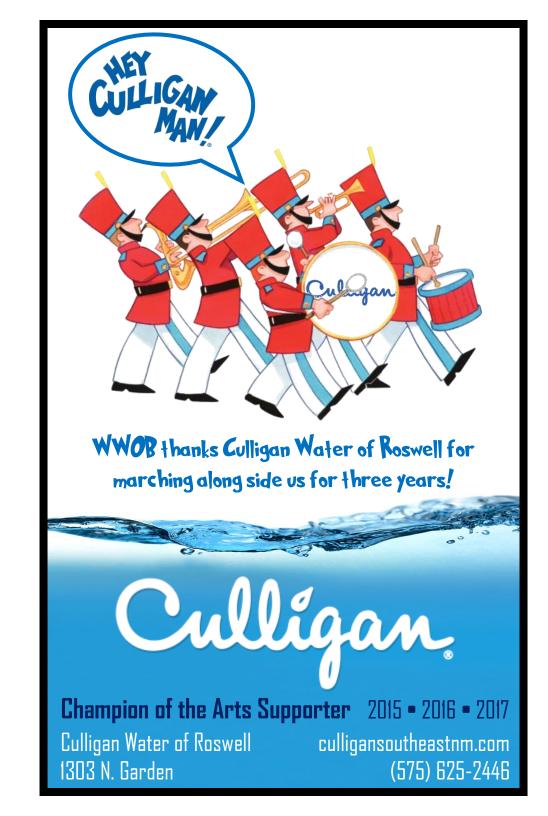
Kyle Bullock (Director) The Music Man marks Kyle's directorial debut with Way Way Off-Broadway. A seasoned performer, Kyle was last seen on stage as Bert in WWOB's production of *Disney's Mary Poppins*. In addition to acting and directing, Kyle wrote the award-winning play *Those Unforgettable Black Rims*, which enjoyed successful productions in Lubbock, TX and here in Roswell as last year's WWOB Bonus Show. Kyle is grateful and blessed to be supported by his wonderful wife Devon and his family!

Greg Hollman (Assistant Director) Greg was last seen performing on stage in WWOB's production of Disney's Mary Poppins last June. A performer all his life, Greg has previously performed with RCLT on stage, as well as stints as a bass player and vocalist with several bands. *The Music Man* is Greg's first venture into the directing gig with WWOB.

Devon Bullock (Music Director) Devon has served as Music Director for five of WWOB's past productions! Besides serving as the company's Music Director, Devon is also a regular performer on stage having been seen as the practically-perfect nanny Mary Poppins in last year's WWOB production of the same name, and also recently made her non-musical play debut as Virginia Archer in WWOB's production of *Those Unforgettable Black Rims* in the fall of 2016.

Summer Souza (Choreographer) Summer is a founding member, Board President, and Artistic Director of WWOB. Summer has directed five of WWOB's main-stage productions, and has also performed on stage, seen recently as Inga in WWOB's *Young Frankenstein* and the Narrator in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Summer loves the fact that she gets to work with her husband, Tony, and kids, Emily and Eric, on this production!

Jan Smith (Costume Design) This is Jan's sixth show sewing the costumes for WWOB. Jan credits her mother with teaching her how to sew. Jan and her husband both retired from Pacific Gas and Electric Company in California and moved to Roswell shortly after. Besides creating costumes, Jan holds an office at the state level in New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc. and in Home Garden Club of Roswell. Jan is also the Corresponding Secretary for the US Branch of Clan Macpherson.



CAST & PRODUCTION TEAM PHOTOS



Jacob Bassing



John Bitner



Casey Bedford

Rebekah Bitner



Kamdyn Bishop



Brianna Bitner



Bryttini Bitner







Kyle Bullock



Terry Bullock



Kylee Clements



Brady Crump







Berkeley Dittmann



Pamela Englehard



Elissa Featherstone Nicholas Featherstone





Katelyn Graham



Jessica Haynes



Cheyenne Helmers



Kendall Helmers



Wyatt Helmers





Greg Holman



Mia Huddleston



Aubrey King



Michael Kolker



Paige Huddleston



Daniel Kidd





Devon Bullock







Jayden Helmstetler



Victoria Kidd



Hugh Taylor (Mayor Shinn) Hugh Taylor is married to Elaine. They have 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 2 great granddaughters. Hugh's has participated in theater (including musicals) with Roswell Community Little Theatre since 1969. He was awarded a Roswell Community Little Theatre's Lifetime Membership in 1998. Hugh loves a "juicy character role" whether in comedy and drama....but his first love is performing in musicals. He is also active in his local church at Immanuel Lutheran....owns & operates Taylor & Associates Insurance & Financial Services since 1965.

Sam Thorsted (Children's Chorus) Samantha most recently performed with WWOB in *Seussical* and was seen in RCLT's *Annie* as the title character. Samantha loves singing and performing and is looking forward to future productions.

Rose Thorsted (Children's Chorus) Rose was most recently seen on stage in WWOB's production of *Mary Poppins* as Jane. Behind the scenes, Rose also helped design the set for RCLT's production of Annie. Rose loves singing and performing and is happy to be a part of another great production.

Jose Perez Torres (Teen Chorus) Jose is participating in his 3rd show with WWOB. He recently also appeared in RCLT's production of *Paradise Lost & Found* and also WWOB's *Young Frankenstein*. He is very grateful to work with WWOB and is also very happy to be part of this amazing cast.

Brianna Tucker (Ethel Toffelmier) Brianna is a Goddard High School senior. This is her second production with WWOB, her first being Mary Poppins. She is very grateful for this opportunity and all the fun and friends the show brings.

Cydni Vandiver (Maud Dunlop, US Marian) This is Cydni's fifth show with Way Way Off Broadway, and she has enjoyed performing in various roles including Gertrude in *Seussical the Musical* and Musical Director of *Mary Poppins*. Although she knows the spring semester will be a whirlwind while teaching high school at NMMI, taking graduate classes, and preparing for two roles, she is excited for the challenge and for what she will learn from the cast and directors.

Spenser Willden (Tommy Djilas) Spenser is a sophomore at GHS, where he is a member of German Club, Book Club, and the Band in which he is a percussion section leader. He is incredibly grateful to be in this show, and would like to thank his family and friends as well as this wonderful cast and crew. Enjoy the show!

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Sean Lee



Janet Macaluso



Julie Martinez



Michele Massev



Jordan Moody



Tarra Morgan



Abby Muhr



Steve Muhr



Teri Muhr



Simeon Neeld



Courtney Owens



David Rocha



Holly Schertz



Emily Souza



Eric Souza



Summer Souza



Tony Souza



Jan Smith



Jason Stewart



Hugh Taylor



Sam Thorstead



Rose Thorsted



Jose Perez Torrez



Brianna Tucker



Cydni Vandiver



Julie Washichek



Spencer Wildon

Jacob Bassing (Harold Hill) Jacob is the Music & Media Pastor at First Baptist Church. He enjoys preaching God's word, singing, and playing guitar. He's been married to his lovely wife, Julie, for a little over 2 years and they have the most precious little girl, Olivia Joy.

Casey Bedford (Women's Chorus) This is Casey's first role in a musical production. She would like to thank her husband, daughter, and WWOB family for their encouragement and support. Enjoy the show!

Kamdyn Bishop (Teen Chorus, US Zaneeta) Kamdyn is a freshman at Goddard High School where she is an honors student and a percussionist in the band. When Kamdyn graduates high school, she hopes to attend college to receive a degree in nursing or teaching. This is Kamdyn's fourth show with WWOB, and she is looking forwards at more to come.

Brianna Bitner (Women's Chorus) This is Brianna's first time on stage with Way Way Off Broadway as an actress. She has been the company's stage manager in all of the previous productions. She is excited for the opportunity to act and share the stage with her husband and two beautiful daughters. She dedicates this performance to her precious grandbaby, Maynard, and Julie Washichek.

Bryttini Bitner (Women's Chorus) Bryttini is engaged to a wonderful man named Jack. She has one son named Maynard and another baby coming in July! Bryttini loves theatre and the people involved. She is so happy to be a part of WWOB and to have the opportunity to be involved with such a rewarding activity.

John Bitner (Men's Chorus, US Marcellus) This is John's 6th production with WWOB most recently he was Igor in Mel Brooks *Young Frankenstein the Musical*. *The Music Man* is John's favorite and it is the one that started his love of musicals. He loves the fact he is able to perform in this musical with his entire family. But even more special is being able to perform with his new theater family.

Rebekah Bitner (Women's Chorus) Rebekah was last seen in WWOB's *Young Frankenstein*. She loves theatre and the family she has made through this company. She wants to thank Tony and Summer for creating such a fun, safe place to share her love of music and theatre. She is so excited for another opportunity to be on stage and especially excited to share this with her mom, dad, and sister.

CAST BIOS

Courtney Owens (Gracie Shinn) Courtney Owens is 11 years old. Her hobbies are dancing, making her own movies, pulling pranks, and acting. She has enjoyed the stage since she was 3 years old.

David Rocha (Marcellus Washburn) This is David's fourth show with WWOB and says he has enjoyed every single note, dance step, and fellow cast and crew member in all four productions. David is looking forward to many more with this wonderful theatre company. "Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your family."

Holly Schertz (Women's Chorus) Holly was last seen as Fruma Sarah in the Roswell Community Little Theatre production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. She has been singing her whole life – mostly through church choir and productions. She is pleased to have the opportunity to perform in this show and looks forward to other opportunities to pursue her passion for singing.

Emily Souza (Amaryllis) Emily is a veteran to the stage, even at her young age, having performed in *Les Miserables, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, and *Seussical*. Most people don't know that she was actually the "magic" backstage for *Mary Poppins*, responsible for setting off a lot of the different tricks and effects for that show! Away from performing, Emily likes reading and drawing, and loves hanging out with her mom and dad, and her brother.

Eric Souza (Wintrop Paroo) Eric has been in previous productions with WWOB, including *Joseph* and *Seussical*. Eric enjoys playing video games and watching movies when not at the theatre. Eric has recently announced that he will be "retiring" from acting after *The Music Man*. We all wish him the best in his retirement.

Tony Souza (Ewart Dunlap) Tony is literally fulfilling a life-long dream of performing in a Barbershop Quartet in *The Music Man*. Tony claims that even after the show closes, "we're keeping the band together!" Tony is the Managing Director and Board Secretary/Treasurer of WWOB, and is also a regular performer with the company.

Jason Stewart (Charlie Cowell) Jason is in his first WWOB show. He is in the internet band, Salty Dog Flea Orchestra. He was a plumber in the Navy.

Julie Martinez (Teen Chorus) Julie is a freshman at Goddard High School. Her love for acting grows stronger and stronger every show. She is extremely thankful for Way Way Off Broadway for helping her fulfill her dreams!

Michele Massey (Eulalie Shinn) One of Michele's favorite roles was Gussy the Goose, from *Charlotte's Web*. When she portrayed the Goose, Michele recalls, she made her sound a bit like a sassy, Julia Child. You may see hints of the Goose and Julia in her performance of Eulalie. According to Michele, Eulalie and the Goose are similar in that they both have unique ways of speaking and presenting themselves in public and neither of them think they are at all ridiculous..." birds of a feather."

Jordan Moody (Teen Chorus) Jordan is 16 and a sophomore at Goddard High School where he plays trumpet for the Big Blue Crew, as well as in the GHS Jazz band. Apart from these activities Jordan enjoys skateboarding, music, playing bass guitar, and spending time with his family and friends. This is his second performance with WWOB having appeared in *Seussical*. He would like to thank his family and friends for their support and Kyle and the rest of the WWOB team!

Abby Muhr (Children's Chorus) Abby Muhr loves to sing and participate in Way Way Off Broadway productions. She enjoys reading and imagining she is far far away.

Steve Muhr (Men's Chorus) This is Steve's second WWOB show, *Seussical* being the first. Steve is excited to be in the chorus again with his wife, Teresa, and daughter, Abigail. Great theatre, great times!

Teri Muhr (Women's Chorus) Teri is super excited to be a member of the *Music Man* cast. She loves working on projects with her husband and daughters and looks forward to enjoying life.

Simeon Neeld (Winthrop Paroo) Simeon Neeld is a 10 year old student at East Grand Plains. Simeon loves to dance, sing, act, and draw. Simeon currently takes dance at the Studio+, voice at Bullock Studios, and performs with WWOB's Broadway Bound Kids. Simeon has participated in RCLT's *Wizard of Oz* and was cast as Peter Pan in the Studio+ production of Peter Pan.

CAST BIOS

Terry Bullock (Alma Hix) This is Terry's first show with WWOB. Terry claims that being with the other people of WWOB has reversed her age by 15 years!

Kylee Clements (Teen Chorus) This is Kylee's 3rd Way Way Off Broadway production. Kylee has always enjoyed singing and preforming. Kylee is a freshman at GHS and also participates in Assisteens League. She is very proud of the work done with this production and wants to thank the entire cast for being amazing.

Brady Crump (Constable Locke) This is his second show with WWOB, and he feels so happy to be a part of this production. He would like to thank the Directors for letting him be here and his wife for her love

Minnie Degroot (Amaryllis) Minnie is a 12 year old, 7th grade, girl who attends Immanuel Lutheran School. She was born in Roswell and enjoys singing, sewing, swimming, running, and playing tennis.

Berkeley Dittmann (Men's Chorus, US Harold) Berkeley has been immersed in musical theater since birth and performed for the first time at age 10 as Kurt Von Trapp in *The Sound of Music*. Now, several roles since, he is honored to be the fourth member of his family to perform in *The Music Man*.

Pam Engelhard (Mrs. Paroo) A preschool teacher originally from Michigan, Pam loves to sing and perform. This is her 5th WWOB production to include *Les Miserables, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Seussical the Musical*, and *Mary Poppins*. "I am excited to be cast as Marion's Irish mother so I will leave you with an old Irish blessing: "May your glass be ever full. May the roof over your head be strong and may you be in heaven half and hour before the devil knows your dead." Enjoy the show!"

Elissa Featherstone (Zaneeta Shinn) This is Elissa's first time in production and she is excited to become a part of the Way Way Off Broadway Family!

Nicholas Featherstone (Teen Chorus) Nicholas Featherstone is 17 years old and in the Goddard band. This is his first musical production and he looks forward to many more.

Katelyn Graham (Teen Chorus) Katelyn is 15 years old and a freshman at Goddard High School. This is her second play with Way Way Off Broadway. Katelyn hopes to participate in future Way Way Off Broadway plays and thanks everyone who makes them possible.

Jessica Haynes (Marian Paroo) Jessica, a Roswell native, is very excited to portray the part of Marian Paroo in WWOB's production of The Music Man. She was previously seen on the Roswell stage in the roles of Elizabeth Benning in WWOB'S *Young Frankenstein*, Winifred Banks in WWOB's *Mary Poppins* and Kala in ENMUR's *Tarzan*. Other past roles include Adina in *L'elisir d'Amore* and Abigail Williams in Robert Ward's *The Crucible*. Jessica holds a Bachelor of Music Degree from WTAMU. She is married and a stay-at-home mom to her two beautiful children. Thank you to her family for all their continued support.

Cheyenne Hellmers (Women's Chorus) Cheyenne has performed many times with Way Way Off Broadway. She was most recently seen on stage in *Young Frankenstein*. She is excited about this show and wants to thank everyone who has made it possible. She is very excited to share the stage with her dad and brother.

Kendall Hellmers (Men's Chorus) Kendall was most recently seen as The Monster in *Young Frankenstein*. He has given up his green skin to become a River City citizen. He has enjoyed this show and sharing the experience with two of his children. He wants to thank his awesome wife for being supportive and always helping him with his musical ventures.

Wyatt Hellmers (Children's Chorus) Wyatt is excited to be back for another Way Way Off Broadway show. He always enjoys the time he gets to spend on stage. He is especially excited to share this with his sister and dad on stage and his mom behind the scenes. He wants to thank his family for his support and looks forward to future shows.

Jayden Helmstetler (Teen Chorus) Jayden is a freshman at Goddard High School. This is her second show and she is excited to be in another Way Way Off Broadway production.

CAST BIOS

Mia Huddleston (Teen Chorus, Dance Captain) Mia is a freshman at Goddard High School and an active participant in the GHS Big Blue Crew as a percussionist. She is the treasurer of the GHS Gay-Stright Aliance and an honors student. Many say that she is immensely intimidating.

Paige Huddleston (Women's Chorus) Paige was born on the side of a hill.

Daniel Kidd (Jacey Squires) Daniel is in his fourth WWOB production and is looking forward to another excellent show. Daniel would like to thank his beautiful wife for allowing him to do shows and for doing them with him even when she doesn't want to.

Victoria Kidd (Mrs. Squires) Victoria is very excited to be in her fourth show with WWOB, and is super excited about this show! Victoria would like to encourage everyone to tryout for the next production and be a part of this amazing family!

Aubrey King (Teen Chorus) This is Aubrey's second production for WWOB and she is looking forward to future productions. She is 14 and is involved with several school activities and is on the Goddard tennis team. Enjoy the show!

Michael Kolker (Olin Britt) Michael Kolker is a high school senior taking dual-credit classes at ENMU-R. He has six years of music experience and has been in choir for three. After graduation, he plans to further his education at Baylor University or Grove City College.

Sean Lee (Oliver Hix) Sean Lee has called Roswell home since 2002, when he and his wife Brenda and their children moved from Kansas to serve at Grace Community Church. Sean regularly performs at church, but has also been cast in several productions here in Roswell: "Jesus" in *Godspell*, "Mr. Body" in *Clue: The Musical* and "Jean Valjean" in WWOB's *Les Miserables*.

Janet Macaluso (Women's Chorus) Janet has been singing her whole life and will tell you there's nothing better in all the world! She sings and directs the choir at her church and has sung in several masterworks performances Just last year, Janet joined the Way Way Off Broadway company and sang on stage for the first time – first in the chorus of *Seussical* and then as the evil Miss Andrew in *Mary Poppins*