

SPARTA COMMUNITY THEATRE

presents

MEREDITH WILLSON'S

THE MUSIC MAN



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Sparta High School Auditorium

February 16, 17, 18 & 19 at 7:30 pm

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Director's Note —

About The Music Man

Professor Harold Hill is a con man. He travels from town to town selling kids' band instruments and uniforms. He then skips out with the money before teaching the kids how to play. Professor Hill, in fact, does not know how to read music! However, River City, Iowa is a town that needs what Professor Hill has to offer. Watch as the town changes under Harold Hill's guidance.

The original production of THE MUSIC MAN ran for 1,375 performances on Broadway. It was really a sensation.

Before achieving success as a Broadway writer, Meredith Willson was a popular radio personality and bandleader who occasionally worked with Frank Loesser (who wrote *Guys and Dolls*). Loesser so believed in this show that he backed it for years of development and produced the original production. It made a star of Robert Preston and Marian was played by Barbara Cook, who went on to be one of the most celebrated Broadway singers in history. The Music Man is unquestionably one of the most beloved shows of all time.

It is with mixed feelings that we say "Happy Retirement" to our beloved orchestra director, Steve Barnum. Steve has been with SCT for many years. First as our vocal director until I said, "Steve I have a dream of having a live community orchestra play our shows." He made that so and so much more. We will miss you, dear friend, but wish you all the best as you enjoy your island house and having more time with Julie and your grandchildren. Best wishes from all of us!

Dedication —

The Music Man is dedicated to the memory of our dear friend Karen Barton who passed away unexpectedly in 2021. Karen was a wizard with a sewing machine. She could make just about anything and did for our theatre group! She loved making costumes and was very inventive. When she was presented with a costume dilemma you could just see her mind working. She always had a clever solution.

She also sewed for people just to make them happy. Homemade blankets and other homemade goodies would make their way into people's hands. She loved to surprise them. She was one of the most loving and giving persons. Karen, we love and miss you!

Synopsis of Scenes

Act 1

Scene 1 — Train Car

Scene 2 — Main St. River City, Iowa

Iowa Stubborn

Ya Got Trouble

Scene 3 — A street in River City

Scene 4 — Paroo Parlor

Piano Lesson

If You Don't Mind Me Saying So

'Goodnight My Someone

Scene 5 — Madison Gymnasium

Columbia, Gem of the Ocean

Ya Got Trouble (Reprise)

76 Trombones

Ice Cream/Sincere

Scene 6 — A street in front of Madison Library and In the Livery

The Sadder but Wiser Girl

Pick A Little, Talk A Little

Goodnight Ladies

Scene 7— In Madison Library

Marian, the Librarian

Scene 8 — A street in River City

Scene 9 — Mayor Shinn's doorway

Scene 10 — The Paroo's Porch

My White Knight

Scene 9 — Main St. River City

The Wells Fargo Wagon

Intermission — Enjoy dramatic snacks in the lobby

Act 2

Scene 1 — Madison Gymnasium

Eulalie's Ballet

It's You

Shipooopi

Pick A Little, Talk A Little (Reprise)

Scene 2 — Madison Picnic Park

Lida Rose

Will I Ever Tell You

Scene 3 — The Paroo's Porch

Gary, Indiana

Lida Rose (Reprise)

It's You

Scene 4 & 5 — The Footbridge & Paroo Porch

Till There Was You

Goodnight & 76 Trombone (Double Reprise)

Scene 6 — Madison Park

Till There Was you (Reprise)

Scene 7 — River City High School Gymnasium

Minute in G

Finale

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Cast of Characters

Wed/Fri/Sat Matinee

Thurs/Sat Evening/Sun Matinee

Harold Hill _____	Nathan Rummler	Evan Cowdrey
Marian Paroo _____	Stephanie Ondersma.....	Hannah Fankhauser
Winthrop Paroo _____	Cayden Oudbier.....	Justin Bradford
Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn ____	Jane Wyckoff-Kingshott	Janet Hill
Mrs. Paroo _____	Laura Rozeveld.....	Elaine Koren
Traveling Salesmen _____	Alexis Comden, Christian Messner, Anna Moore, Kya Patterson, Korin Suggitt, Jasmine Walters, Abby Willcox, Katie Zank	
Charlie Cowell _____	Cameron Yates	
Conductor _____	Meme Geysbeek	
Mayor Shinn _____	Jeff Van't Hof	
Ewart _____	Joseph Jarvis	
Jacey _____	Jeff Amlotte	
Olin _____	David Ondersma	
Oliver _____	Cody Wilson	
Marcellus Washburn _____	Raymond Koren	
Tommy Djilas _____	Caesar Gonzalez	
Amaryllis _____	Amelia Rozeveld	
Zaneeta Shinn _____	Olivia Montgomery	
Gracie Shinn _____	Emily VanSyckle	
Alma Hix _____	Kristin Kowalski	
Maud Dunlop _____	Tena Stuhan	
Ethel Toffelmier _____	Patty VanderWall	
Mrs. Squires _____	Darcie Oudbier	
Constable Locke _____	Dave Nelson	
Dancers _____	Michelle Baltruczak, Skylar Bradford, Abigail Duff, Ethan Frey, Luke Frey, Meme Geysbeek, Madelyn Hume, Lexie Kelly, Michael King, Marissa Longcore, Ty Maycroft, Christian Messner, Anna Moore, Eva Ondersma, Kya Patterson, Felicia Stuhan, Korin Suggitt, Jasmine Walters, Abby Willcox	
Chorus _____	Ethan Heaven, Tammy Heaven, Lizzy Jones, Leeah Roberts, Jan Shanahan, Katie Zank, All Dancers & Train Salesmen	
Kids Chorus _____	Allie Amlotte, Abigail Baltruczak, Lucy Baltruczak, Kendalyn Barscewski, Lauren Bradford, Lorelai Heyboer, Addie Kingshott, Finley Koutz, Jayda Marks, Brayley May, Jesse Moore, Kailyn Moore, Reese Morris, Allie Pienta, Charlee Pienta	
Kids Band _____	Aayla Enlow, Addison Uzarski, Alanna VanStrien, All High School, Middle School & Elementary Schools Students	

Orchestra

Piano

Peggy Odren

Keyboard

Landon Knoppers

Bass

Jared Tuinstra

Tuba

Jack Draper

Trombone

Justin Jasman
Dakota Marble
Bill Smith

Trumpet

Dylan Bosch
John Mousel
Wes Scott

Flute/ Piccolo

Krysta Willison-Meier

Flute

Colleen Heyboer

Violin

Heidi Kutzli

Clarinet

Stephanie Gates
Connie Howe-Nelson

Oboe

Stephanie Kehoe

Bass Clarinet

Elliott Ogg

Bassoon

Sandi Gardisky

Drum Kit

Skip Meyer



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The Staff

Director _____	Mar Higgins
Producer _____	Jeff VanSyckle
Assistant to the Director _	Jeff Van't Hof
Vocal Director _____	Chad Jensen
Choreography _____	Amber Marks & Liz Antor
Assisted by _____	Bri Empie & Caelin Murdock
Orchestra Director _____	Steve Barnum & Nate Soules
Sound Director _____	Jeff VanSyckle
Assisted by _____	Brandon Ingersoll , Will McFarland & Shelly Murdock
Lighting Design _____	Kadie Howe
Stage Manager _____	Erin Ondrusek & Tom Higgins
Assisted by _____	Ev Bremmer, Samantha Brower, Nathan Heaven, Mackenzie Heaven, Molly Higgins, Amber Landry, Jada Lashuay, Elizabeth Leech, Kensey May, Toby Roettger & Katelynn Veenendall
Costumes _____	Patty VanderWall
Assisted by _____	The Cast
Sets _____	Connie Howe-Nelson & Scot Geysbeek
Assisted by _____	Brad, Beth, Joe & Jacob Baltruczak, Dave Beechnau, Jim Duff, Tom Higgins, Ellie Ondersma & Brian VanderWall
Concessions _____	Tena Stuhan
Program Ads _____	Paul Koutz
Videographer _____	Kyle Witter

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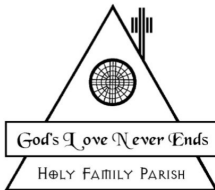


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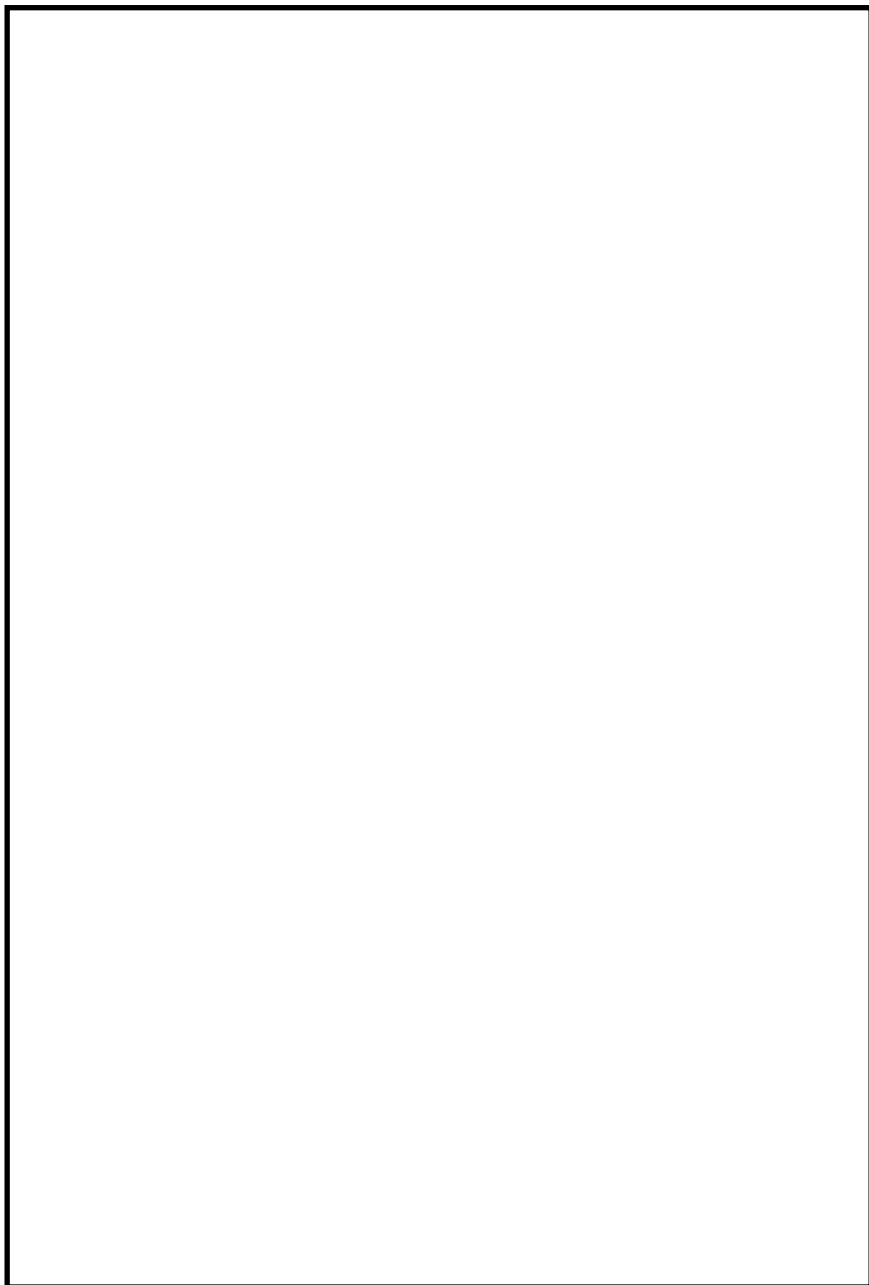
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- Amy Hume & Jane Wyckoff-Kingshott & Jane's students for helping make our books for the library.
- Monica Myers for her piano skills during rehearsals.

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