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Join us for our upcoming SPA productions!



You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown!
July 12-15 at GF Central HS

Guys & Dolls



July 17-22 at 7:30 at Red River HS

Call 746-2411 for tickets or visit www.spacompany.org

OUR MAILING LIST IS GOING GREEN!

We are making an effort to try to save paper and resources, and we will soon be able to send production updates via email.

Both PAPER and EMAIL lists will get a \$1.00 coupon for each Red River and SPA production!

Please complete the following form and hand to an usher/box office worker OR email this information to allison.peterson@gfschools.org:

_____ I would like to be signed up for email ticket announcements ONLY.

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THE GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2010 SUMMER PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY PRESENTS:



Empire Arts Center

July 9-10, 2010

7:30 pm

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CAST

Name followed by 2010-11 school. All students will be 9th graders in 2010-11.

Group A

Abby Beczkalo –Red River
Therese Kulas-Sacred Heart
Megan Perry-Sacred Heart
Lindsey Potratz–Red River
Elise Stayman–Red River
Gabi Swangstue–Red River

Group B

Emily Beattie–Red River
Lena Brakel–Red River
Julia Brucklacher–Red River
Tessa Coster-Red River
Ivy McGurran-GF Central
Karly Ritland–Red River
Anne Sandstrom -Bismarck

Group C

Kirsten Aafedt–Red River
Suzanne Crocker –Red River
Emily Hendry –Red River
Janzyn Jacob-GF Central
Jozie Jagow-GF Central
Alli Patry–Red River
Lizzy Syverson–Red River

PIT MUSICIANS

Keyboard.....Roxanne Gessler
Synthesizer..... Cassel Everson
Bass..... Jeff Seabloom
Drums..... Brandon Hettwer

PRODUCTION DIRECTORS AND CREWS

Director Cassel Everson
Assistant Directors Kami Anderson, Roxanne Gessler, Alison Holcomb,
Kaylee Scheer, Amanda Hill
Technical Director Josh Anderson
Technical Head Scott Amundson
Lights SPA Tech Staff
Spotlights SPA Tech Staff
Video..... SPA Tech Staff
Box Office.....Allison Peterson, Jake Geffre, Diane Stjern, Britt Lazur,
Daniel Holcomb

A SPA TRADITION

Following tonight's curtain call, there will be a final musical number. The rest of the students in the Summer Performing Arts Company will join the cast to perform "I Sing the Body Electric." This song has closed all SPA performances for the past 23 years. This symbolic song ties the entire program together. It has different meanings to different students, but a common theme can be found in the literal text. The students are celebrating not only the arts, but their growth in the arts yet to come. They will go on to create their own tomorrows as they continue in music and theatre. The song also symbolizes the passing of a class. This is the last summer program in which the class of 2011 will be able to participate. This "passing of the tradition" is represented by the two soloists selected to sing. Jenna Spicer, a senior, will sing the first verse and then turn the spotlight over to ninth-grader Ben Breidenbach, a student new to High School SPA.

"And in time we will all be stars."

SPA 2010 STAFF

Administrative Director:	Dean Opp
Program Development/Mentoring:	Brad Sherwood
Operations Director/Student Affairs:	Allison Peterson
Administrative Assistant	Jake Geffre
Technical Director:	Josh Anderson
Marketing Director:	Keith Ronkowski
Office/Box Office Staff:	Jake Geffre, Diane Stjern, Brit Lazur, Daniel Holcomb, Ben Sun
<i>Guys and Dolls</i> Production:	Mike Weber, Connie Sherwood, Angie Black Erickson, RuthAnn Tuseth, Johanna Dittus, Lindsay Escobar
<i>Charlie Brown</i> Production:	Geoff Mercer, Rich McFarlane, Maren Tunseth, Matt Hippen, Rachel Biberdorf, Marlys Murphy, Jace Beehler
Revue Production:	Cassel Everson, Roxanne Gessler, Kami Anderson, Amanda Hill, Kaylee Scheer, Ali Holcomb
Technical Staff:	Scott Amundson, Phil Anderson, Lindsay Escobar, Andy Parr, Jace Beehler, Maura Ferguson (Makeup), Melissa Lima (Makeup), Yvonne Kalka (Hair), Alex Hovey (Mentor), Cody Gerszewski (Mentor)
Vocal Staff:	Maria Williams Kennedy (Vocal Coordinator), Dave Henrickson, Connie Stordalen , Amy Rogers, Frank Matejcek
Costume Staff:	Amy Sanner (head), Sarah Winger, Katie Sanner
Class Instructors:	Maria Williams-Kennedy Mike Blake, Mike Weber, Paul Barta, Tanner Beauchman, Angie Black Erickson, Kaylee Scheer, Kami Anderson,, Phil Anderson, Scott Amundson, Andy Parr
Drama Camp	Yvonne Kalka, Ruth Pederson, Tyler Rood, Joel Braxton
Honors Revue:	Maria Williams-Kennedy, Dave Henrickson, Britt Lazur
Elementary Staff:	Chris Fosse, Jamie Toutenhoofd, Cassandra Shaffer, Jace Beehler, Kami Anderson, Brit Lazur, Cody Oss, Lindsey Wood, Lindsay Escobar, Larisa Netterlund, Mary Splichal, Susie Peters, Casey Smith, Cody Gerszewski
Middle School Staff:	Rich McFarlane, Maren Tunseth, Tanner Beauchman, Amanda Hill, Erik Stordalen, Amy Rogers, Matt Hippen, Rachel Abbe, Lexi Mattson, Rachel Biberdorf
Website:	Created by Jeff Seabloom, maintained by Allison Peterson & Jake Geffre

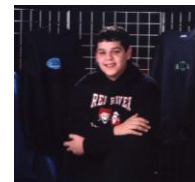
Matt Beehler-10-RR

2010 PARENT AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

These individuals helped to supply food and treats for the staff and students, usher performances, and much more.

Dyana Beaton, Peggy Biberdorf, Pieper Bloomquist & Mike Wittgraf, Sarah Blumkin, Jacqui Deem, Erin Hendrickson, Lisa and Elizabeth Hoplin, Sue Jeno, Mary Kulas, Kristi Larson, Jane Lesch, Peggy & Lizzy Lockett, Rennae Millette, Greg & Deb Nelson, Joan Oncken, Janell Regimbal, Lee Rerick, Donna & Chris Smith, Katie Schweitzer, Karmin Thompson, Kim Votava

There were many helpers this year and we apologize if we have left your name out of the program. Thank you for all of your help and support.



James Freestone
1989-2010

The SPA Company would like to dedicate the 2010 season to the memory of James Freestone. James Freestone was killed in a car crash last month. James was special to all of us because of his joyful spirit and his friendly nature. James was part of the Summer Performing Arts Company for 10 years as a student and staff member.

“One day your life will flash before your eyes.
Make sure it was worth watching”.

NOTES FROM THE SPA ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

In the past we were told that schools need to teach the 3 R's – Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic – and more recently we have been told that we also need to teach the 3 C's – Creativity, Cooperation, and Character. The Fine Arts do that.

We know that the 3 R's are important, but just how important are the 3 C's? According to Professor George Boggs, in a list of the top skills that are crucial skills for workers in the 21st century, creativity, cooperation and character are all part of the top 1 through 10 skills—basic job skills came in at number 11 on the list. The Grand Forks Public Schools provides the 3 R's and the 3 C's, creating opportunities to develop the individual as a whole.

The character education theme for SPA 2010 is **COMMUNITY**. Since 1987 SPA has been a cornerstone of Arts education in the Grand Forks Public Schools, bringing quality entertainment to the region and promoting character education in a positive leaning environment. SPA students learn valuable life lessons while participating in community service-learning projects each summer. SPA believes that all youth have potential that can only be reached within a **COMMUNITY** of support.

Thank you for your support of the SPA program through your attendance tonight.

Dean Opp, Administrative Director

NOTES FROM THE GFPS ADMINISTRATION

The SPA program provides so many wonderful opportunities for our youth here in Grand Forks and the surrounding area. There are many roles for students to play, whether it is on stage or behind the scenes. I appreciate the fact that no student is ever turned away from the SPA program. The staff is always able to find a "spot" for those who want to participate in some way. I believe this philosophy helps build the teamwork and spirit of the SPA program. Best of luck to all those involved in this year's productions.

Mr. Jody Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

Grand Forks Public Schools has a long history and fine tradition of high quality public education. The school district mission statement is "To Provide Opportunities for All Students to Develop Their Maximum Potential." The SPA program epitomizes the intent of this mission, students discovering and developing their talents and maximizing their potential. My commendation to all SPA students, staff, parents, and supporters.

Dr. Larry P. Nybladh, Superintendent of Schools

ORDER OF SONGS

Circle of Life- All
Flute Solo – Anne Sandstrom

How Lucky You Are- Group A

That's What Friends Are For- Group B

Family- All
Dance Solo – Janyz Jacob

Together, Wherever We Go- Group C

No One Is Alone- Group A
Dance Duet – Abby Beczkalo, Therese Kulas

Bushel And A Peck- All

I've Got You To Lean On- Group C

Don't Be Anything Less- All

Side By Side/What Would We Do- Group B

Make Them Hear You- All

Mama, I'm A Big Girl Now- All

DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to take the theme-*Come Together: Songs of Community*-to choose songs, create dances, compose ideas for journaling and combine all of this with twenty vivacious, talented 9th grade girls to rehearse and present a show in four and a half weeks. Those of us who accepted the mission have sung, laughed, learned, eaten, created, perspired, and danced together to present this show for you. Working with this group- this community-has been a joy! We would like to give special thanks to Dr. Weber, Johanna Dittus, the Empire Arts Center, and SPA Parents!

Children who participate in the arts are more likely to:

- Attain academic achievement.
- Be elected to a class office.
- Participate regularly in a math or science fair.
- Be rewarded for school attendance.
- Read for pleasure.

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