



SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT 2018/2019

IMPACT

24,982

PRODUCTION GUESTS

10

PRODUCTIONS

162

PERFORMANCES

14

SPECIAL EVENTS

434

ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS

53,109

VOLUNTEER HOURS RECORDED

1,054

ENROLLED IN CLASSES

1,744

PROJECT STAGE ATTENDEES

\$61,909

DONATED BY INDIVIDUALS

\$18,869

DONATED BY CORPORATIONS

A NOTE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Weathervane's 84th season has been a very successful year. Our volunteer family, audiences and student body have all grown. We've upgraded technology, formed new partnerships and made plans for the future. Looking back on such an incredible year, I am very excited to begin Weathervane's 85th season and my fourth year of artistic direction. I can't believe how quickly the time has flown!

We added a position this season working with Chuck Hatcher as our House Sound Technician. This plus generous sponsorships from *Audio Technica*, *Clear Gold Audio and Lighting*, *The Akron Community Foundation*, *The Lehner Family Foundation*, *Dick and Mary Beth Ellison* and Weathervane's Board of Trustees allowed us to make great improvements to our sound. Thank you all for increasing our ability to execute superb designs.

We also worked with several interns, including education interns Emelia Sherin and Melissa Tippin and costume interns Kira Brown, Jasmine Lamey, Sarah Lavender Nees and Madison Pelle. These fantastic interns were instrumental in our season coming together so magnificently and we look forward to future opportunities.

On August 31st, it will be an honor to share with you three volunteers who worked tirelessly to achieve Weathervane's mission. The Board of Trustees Award, the Producer's Award and the Erin Dillon Youth Award will be presented at Weathervane's 68th annual Chanticleers.

A special thank you to the Board of Trustees for a successful and fun *Casino Night* Gala, the new and gorgeously produced editions of *The Weathervane Insider*, and for their tireless work toward the future success of Weathervane through our new strategic plan and re-written bylaws.

And my sincere thanks and appreciation to our dedicated and talented staff, who adapted to new technology both on and off the stage, contributed to the strategic plan and worked every day for the continued success of Weathervane Playhouse.

To everyone who supports Weathervane Playhouse and our mission, thank you for an exciting and successful year. You make us who and what we are. Your time, talents and financial support provide a home for our Weathervane family and make the dreams of our mission a beautiful reality.

With warm regards,



Melanie YC Pepe
Chief Executive Artistic Director

THE 2018/2019 SEASON

BYE BYE BIRDIE

AUGUST 2 - 19, 2018

THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT

SEPTEMBER 6 - 23, 2018

THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME

OCTOBER 11 - 28, 2018

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

NOVEMBER 20 - DECEMBER 22, 2018

ALMOST MAINE

JANUARY 17 - FEB. 3, 2019

DREAMGIRLS

FEBRUARY 21 - MARCH 17, 2019

THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK

APRIL 4 - APRIL 20, 2019

NOISES OFF

MAY 9 - 26, 2019

MAMMA MIA

JUNE 13 - JULY 7, 2019

8X10 THEATREFEST

JULY 18 - 21, 2019

The 2018/2019 SPECIAL EVENTS

DIVINE SISTER (CANAPI FUNDRAISER)

AUGUST 13, 2018

CHANTICLEER AWARDS

AUGUST 25, 2018

CLUE: STAGED READING

OCTOBER 5 & 6, 2018

STORYTIME WITH HASSAN

OCTOBER 7, 2018

MOLLY SWEENEY (SEAT OF THE PANTS PRODUCTIONS)

NOVEMBER 9-18, 2018

HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS (ILLUSION FACTORY)

DECEMBER 5 & 12, 2018

HOLIDAY DROP-IN

DECEMBER 13, 2018

HOGWARTS HOLIDAY EXPRESS

DECEMBER 29, 2018

THE RULES OF THE PLAYGROUND (QUEEN BEE PRODUCTIONS)

MARCH 22 – 30, 2019

WEATHERVANE'S ANNUAL GALA, MONTE CARLO CASINO NIGHT

MARCH 23, 2019

[TITLE OF SHOW] (KEVIN LAMBES)

MARCH 22 – 30, 2019

3RD ANNUAL SUMMIT STAGEFEST

JUNE 1, 2019

IMPROVANEERS (STAND UP FOR DOWNS)

JULY 26 & 27, 2019

PLAYHOUSE STAFF

Melanie YC Pepe, Chief Executive Artistic Director

BOX OFFICE

Keith Campbell, Director of Audience Development

PRODUCTION

Richard Morris, Jr., Technical Director
Jasen Smith, Resident Costume Designer / Costume Shop Manager
Kathy Kohl, Assistant Technical Director
Kellie Rossini, Master Electrician
Chuck Hatcher, House Sound Technician

BUSINESS

Joshua T. Larkin, Business Manager
Justyn Jaymes, Director of Development
Fred Gloor, Marketing Director / Associate Artistic Director.
Scott K. Davis, Coordinator of Volunteers
Kim Shores, Bookkeeper
Nancy Humes, Administrative Associate

EDUCATION

Lauren Sprowls, Education Director
Emelia Sherin, Education Intern
Melissa Tippin, Education Intern

2018/2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Weathervane's 85th Season

