

~ Upcoming Events ~

Summer Theatre Training Program

TWO SESSIONS to choose from: June 22 - July 17, and July 20 - August 14

These classes are for children ages 5-9 and are a great opportunity for both beginning and intermediate acting students! Bring out the creative spirit in your child. Choose from "Theatre Fun" or "Story Dramatization" (ages 5-6), and "Improvisation" or "Exploring Shakespeare" (ages 7-9).

We also have a Touring Theatre (ages 10-18) production of a new adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's

The Jungle Book

Call (253)272-2281 to receive a brochure, register your child, or for more info!

~ Next -- Our 80th Season! ~

Our 80th season has something for the entire family! Subscription sales begin soon--don't miss out on a fabulous season of your favorite plays! The 1998-99 season starts in September and includes: *Steel Magnolias*, *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Twelve Angry Men*, Neil Simon's *Lost in Yonkers*, and Rodgers & Hammerstein's classic *The Sound of Music*. Be sure your name is on our mailing list to receive your brochure!

Also: The "Little Shop" Shoppe

Be sure to visit our lobby during the run of *Little Shop of Horrors*, & bid in the "silent auction" for a variety of items: from a trip to Acapulco to an airplane ride around Mt. St. Helens! All proceeds to benefit Tacoma Little Theatre, the West's oldest theatre company!
(See the registration desk for a bid number & information)

Tacoma Little Theatre
presents

Little Shop of Horrors

Book and Lyrics by
HOWARD ASHMAN

Music by
ALAN MENKEN

Based on the film by Roger Corman, Screenplay by Charles Griffith

~ The Cast ~

Trio {	Chiffon	Kristina Barsalona
	Crystal	Aleida Frometa
	Ronette	Stacie Pinkney
Mushnik	Jay Iseli	
Audrey	Jacqueline Rosin	
Seymour	Tim Haueisen	
Orin & Others	Brian Middleton	
Audrey II (Manipulation)	Colin Lapin & Jason Carter	
(Voice)	E.J. Harrid, Jr.	
Derelict	Hollis Belt	
Bag Lady	Karen Carr	

Originally Produced by the WPA Theatre (Kyle Renick, Producing Director)
Originally Produced at the Orpheum Theatre, New York City by the WPA Theatre, David Geffen, Cameron Mackintosh and the Shubert Organization
Vocal Arrangements by Robert Billig Orchestrations by Robby Merkin

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Musical Numbers

ACT I

"Prologue (Little Shop of Horrors)"	Chiffon, Crystal, Ronette
"Skid Row (Downtown)"	Company
"Da-Doo"	Chiffon, Crystal, Ronette
"Grow for Me"	Seymour
"Don't It Go to Show Ya Never Know"	Mushnik, Chiffon, Crystal, Ronette, Seymour
"Somewhere That's Green"	Audrey
"Closed for Renovations"	Seymour, Audrey, Mushnik
"Dentist!"	Orin, Chiffon, Crystal, Ronette
"Mushnik and Son"	Mushnik and Seymour
"Feed Me (Git It)"	Seymour and Audrey II
"Now (It's Just the Gas)"	Seymour and Orin

There will be a 20-minute intermission

ACT II

"Suddenly, Seymour"	Seymour and Audrey
"Suppertime"	Audrey II
"The Meek Shall Inherit"	Company
"Finale (Don't Feed the Plants)"	Company

Director's Notes

What best epitomizes a time in America's history when a \$5,000 mortgage or a science-fiction magazine struck fear in the hearts of men; a burnt dinner or the wrong hat terrorized women; and technology and the threat of communism paralyzed a nation? Why, a singing, dancing, man-eating plant, of course! We hope you enjoy tonight's production as we transport you to the black and white world of the 50s and the carefree swinging technicolor of the 60s.

And please, whatever they offer you, don't feed the plants!

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS was originally directed by Howard Ashman
with Musical Staging by Edie Cowan

AUDREY II puppet designs are copyright Lisa Shaftel, 1997. The plants were originally designed
for the Village Theatre Production of LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS.

Cast & Staff Biographies

Stacie N. Pinkney (Ronette) This is Stacie's third show at TLT this season. Past shows include *The Wiz*, *Ain't Misbehavin'*, *A Little Night Music*, and *The Amen Corner*. She has also appeared in *Lullaby of Broadway* at Tacoma Musical Playhouse.

Brian Rink (Lighting Designer) Brian has designed countless productions here at TLT. The latest was *A Little Night Music*. Brian has also designed several productions for Tacoma Musical Playhouse, including *Cabaret* and *Anything Goes*. "Many thanks to those who have supported me over the years."

Jacqueline Rosin (Audrey) Jackie is glad to be back at TLT having last performed here opposite husband Erwin in *Kiss Me Kate*. Her other loves include costume design, musical direction, and raising her kids Jordan and Elisa.

Lisa Shaftel (Puppet Designer) A native New Yorker, Lisa has designed and built puppets for the Hudson Vagabond Puppets and built Muppets for Henson Associates. She's also built props for numerous Broadway shows, including *Phantom of the Opera* and *Les Miserables*.

Tom Smith (Director) Tom is honored to be part of TLT's 79 year history. His credits range from Walla Walla Little Theatre to Washington D.C.'s Kennedy Center. "Thanks to all for supporting live theatre!" A special "hi" to G(T)M, SM, MJM, and always, GGG.

J.D. Cullen (Scenic Design) This is Judy's fifteenth scenic design for TLT. She has also been on staff at TLT as Production Manager since 1993. As a professional scenic designer, Judy has worked for numerous theatres including The Bathhouse Theatre in Seattle, Tacoma Actor's Guild, as well as local PBS affiliate KBTC.

Belle McCluskey (Costumes) Between engraving, caring for two large dogs, and being married, Belle finds time for her passion--costuming. "Thanks to TLT for the opportunity to costume *Little Shop*."

Dean & Robbie Lapin (Stage Managers) Humble public school employees by day, *dynamic duo by night* (and weekends)! TLT builders, painters, propsters and volunteers, Dean & Robbie were the 1997 Honorees of the *Helen Weed Award*, recognizing outstanding participation by volunteers.

Special Thanks

W.W. Seymour Botanical Conservatory, Lann Tooling, Steve Marinkovich, D.D.S., The Village Theatre, Scott Fyfe, Stephen Fogg, Denise Martel, Tacoma Actors Guild, Rebecca Switzer, Alex Lewington, A Rhapsody in Bloom, Mason United Methodist Church, Broadway Center for the Performing Arts, Redmond General Dental, First Congregational Church, Betty Cullen, Mike & Bob Osier, Kim Johnson & Grant Elementary School, Nancy Wilkinson, J. Howard Boyd, American Music

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Kristina Barsalona (Chiffon) Her last show was *Cabaret* at Tacoma Musical Playhouse. She was seen in *Once Upon A Mattress* at TLT, *Into The Woods* and *Grease* at TMP. She enjoys being involved with Stadium High School's Concert Chorale.

Hollis E. Belt (Derelict) He is very excited to get a chance to work at TLT. Thanks to his wife, children, and the cast for being patient with him after about fifteen years absence from the theatre.

Karen Carr (Extra Woman) Karen hopes you are having as much fun tonight as she is! She was last seen in *A Little Night Music* here at TLT. "Thanks Jud, for all of your support!"

Jason Carter (Puppeteer) Having made the dubious choice of dating and subsequently marrying a former TLT employee, Jason has been part of the award-winning Stage Crews of both *Noises Off* and *Once Upon A Mattress*.

Aleida Frometa (Crystal) This is Aleida's first performance at TLT. Her day job is as a dental assistant, but not for Orin! She recently completed *Godspell* at the Renton Civic Theatre and is just thrilled about this show. "Thank you Tom for giving me this opportunity."

Ekello Harrid Jr. (Voice of Audrey II) This is Ekello's first show at TLT for which he has auditioned. A local actor/director, Ekello has been seen in *Black and White in Color* and *Amen Corner* at TLT. He has also recently directed *Lend Me A Tenor* and *Born Yesterday*.

Tim Hauelsen (Seymour & Puppeteer) This is Tim's fifth appearance at TLT. He was last seen in *A Little Night Music* as Henrick. "Being a part of *Little Shop* has been an absolute blast! Enjoy the show!"

Jay Iseli (Mushnik) Jay's last show at TLT was *A Little Night Music* where he played "Frederic". Other shows at TLT include *Once Upon A Mattress* and *Man of La Mancha*. Jay has been involved in community theatre for the past 17 years. "Thanks Pook!"

Colin Lapin (Puppeteer) Colin is happy to be back on the TLT stage (even if you can't see him) for the first time since playing "Nick" in *A Thousand Clowns*. "Enjoy the show!"

Brian Middleton (Orin & Others) Brian recently graduated from WSU with a degree in Communications and a Theatre minor. Some of his favorite roles include "Don Quixote" in *Man of La Mancha*, and "Andrew McAllister" in *Circles* (a college-cable soap opera). This is Brian's first show at TLT.

Production Staff

Director	Tom Smith
Choreographer	Tom Smith
Musical Director	David Duvall
Asst. Musical Director	Deneen Grant
Digital Music Coordination	Joe Crnko & Nathaniel Papadakis
Puppet Designer	Lisa Shaftel
Stage Managers	Dean & Robbie Lapin
Scenic Designer	J.D.Cullen
Costume Designer	Belle McCluskey
Lighting Designer	Brian Rink
Puppeteers	Colin Lapin(1,3&4), Tim Hauelsen(2), Jason Carter(4)
Stage Crew	Tanya Carter, Jason Carter, Colin Lapin
Light Operator	Joe Izenman
Spot Operator	Matthew Osier
Sound Operator	Steve Hall
Master Carpenter	Tim Kelly
Scenic Construction	Carl Ritting, Christy, Dean Lapin
Costume Construction	Belle McCluskey, Dan McCluskey & Friends, Jackie Rosin
Dressers	Tanya Carter, Karen Carr, E.J.Harrid
Painting	John Petterson, Stephanie Diane Kennish, Robbie Lapin, Loren Osier, Kim Johnson, Marion Moore, Clarissa Green, Kim Izenman, Harry Allison, Joanne Davidson
Properties	Tracy Berryman, Tim Kelly, Kim Johnson, Clarissa Green, Joanne Davidson, Marion Moore, Kim Izenman, Chevi Chung, Sara Armbrecht
Light Hanging & Focusing	Josh Nobles, Joe Izenman, Sam Izenman, Matt Osier, Brian Rink
House Manager	Loren Osier
Vocal Arrangements	Robert Billig
Orchestrations	Robby Merkin