

# 2009-2010 Season Share the Laughter!!

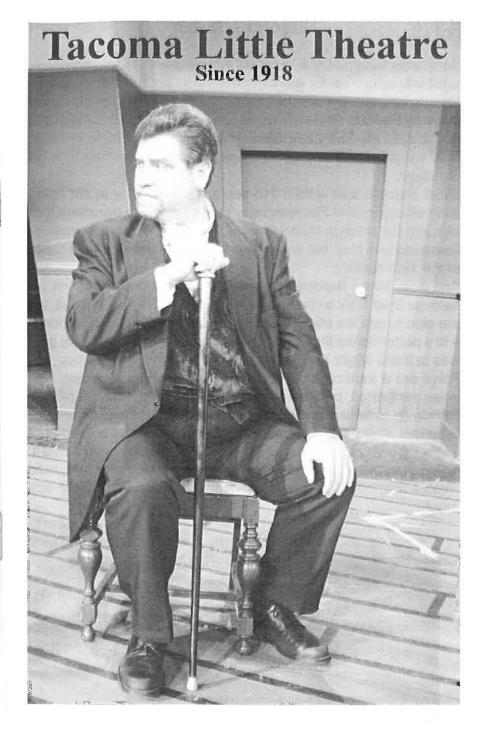


Don't miss your chance to share some laughs with us this season!!

Also, as a special bonus!!

A Tuna Christmas with our own Artistic Director, Scott Campbell and Lakewood Playhouse's Marcus Walker





**Season Support provided by Gray Lumber** 

## **Director's Notes**

Soon after Tacoma Little Theatre's founding in 1918, our company went into rehearsal for the company's first production – Bernard Shaw's You Never Can Tell. Since that time, TLT has produced plays by Bernard Shaw six times, held a tribute to Shaw in 1986, and staged My Fair Lady, based on Shaw's Pygmalion in 2000. Now we are proud to present Major Barbara for the first time on our stage.

Major Barbara was written 115 years ago in 1905 – at the same time, electricity and Stanislavsky were beginning to transform theatre into the modern style we know today. Major Barbara resembles a modern play, but is largely informed but the theatrical styles of the 19th century.

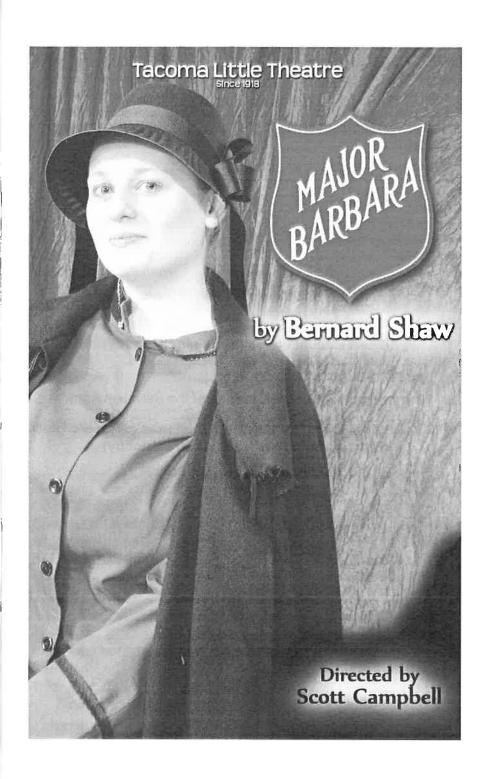
And now, Major Barbara has passed into the public domain. It belongs to all of us as part of our shared humanity. As a result, we are able to edit the play down from its original length (VERY long) – to a performance that takes about two and a half hours. My goal was to make Major Barbara accessible to today's audiences.

Plays are a transcendent art form – they start as literature, and when performed, become spectacle. Literature is for the reader. Spectacle is for the audience. The experience for each is quite different. Shaw wrote his plays for both reader and audience. I encourage you to visit our lobby display during the intermission. There you can see some of the edits we made to the text, read Shaw's hilarious character descriptions as found in the play, and more.



Thank you for being a part the spectacle!

Scott Campbell Director



#### Cast

Stephan Undershaft	Kody Bringman
Lady Britomart	Betzy Miller
Major Barbara	Nicole Lockett
Adolphus Cusins	Jonathan Paul Lee
SarahUndershaft/JennyHill	LeischenMoore
Snobby Price	
Morrison	KerryBringman
Andrew Undershaft	Mike Slease
Rummy Mitchens	
Charles Lomax/Bill Walker	John Munn
Peter Shirley/Bilton	
Commissioner Baines	Angela Vendetti

# Act 1

Lady Britomart Undershaft's house in Wilton Crescent.

A 15 minute Intermission (Refreshments are available in the lobby)

# Act 2

The yard of the West Ham shelter of the Salvation Army.

A 10 minute Intermission (Refreshments are available in the lobby)

# Act 3

Scene 1

The next day in Wilton Crescent.

Scene 2

Scene Z

Perivale St. Andrews.

# Tacoma Little Theatre

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Box Office Hours: 3-6 Tuesday-Saturday

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# www.tacomalittletheatre.com

And Join TLT's Email List for Ticket Deals! Show Announcements! and general information on how to get involved!!

#### **Artistic Staff**

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Director	Scott Campbell
Stage Manager/Assistant Director	Brie Yost
Assistant Stage Manager	Kerry Bringman
Technical Director	Matt Osier
Set Designer	Erin Chanfrau
Lighting Designer	Jason Burg
Costume Designer	Diane Runkel
Sound Designer	Scott Campell
Props Designer	
Dialect Coach	
FightChoreography	
Light Board Operator	
Sound Board Operator	Brie Yost
Set Construction	Matt Osier, Mike Valentine
Painting	Brie Yost, Kim Izenman
	and Erin Chanfrau
Hang and Focus	Jason Burg, Alex Smith
Programs	Kelly Herremans
Photography	Dean Lapin

# **Special Thanks**

JR Reding, Ed and Joel, for the donation of cement, Joe Kelly

# **Tacoma Little Theatre Staff**

Managing Artistic Director	Scott Campbell
Office Manager	Loralei Ives-Keeler
Operations Director	Kelly Herremans
Associate Artisitic Director	
Box Office Assistant	Travis Hancock, Joe Kelly
	and Sarahann Rickner

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# **About the Cast**



Kerry Bringman (Morrison/Assistant Stage Manager) after a 25 year hiatus from acting, this marks Kerry's eighth play here at Tacoma Little Theater. He was the Stage Manager for the holiday production of *A Christmas Story*. Prior to that he played multiple roles in *The Orphan Train*, Judge Haithorne in *The Crucible*, Santa Claus in *Dear Santa*, Verges in *Much Ado About Nothing*, Uncle Moultrie in *Auntie Mame* and the Police Sergeant in *Wait until Dark*. Originally from Florida, he currently lives in Puyallup and works as a civil servant and as an adjunct professor for Southern Illinois University. It is great to be in my second play with Kody.



Kody Bringman (Stephen Undershaft) is glad to be returning to the Tacoma Little Theatre stage where he was previously seen as Older Patrick in the hit Auntie Mame. Tacoma area credits include: Prince Edward in The Slipper and the Rose and the Tin Man in The Wizard of Oz at Tacoma Musical Playhouse. Olympia credits include: Stardust Homecoming at Harlequin and Judah in Joseph... at Capital Playhouse. --Thanks to Sharry and Micheal! I've grown so much under your support and guidance.



Jonathan Paul Lee (Adolphus Cusins) this is Jonathan's first show with Tacoma Little Theatre. He recently received a BFA in theatre from Pacific Lutheran University. PLU Credits: Wintertime (Bob) Company (Harry) Die Fledermaus (Falke). Region: Breeder's Theatre Out of the Nest (The Cat) VCP Here Lies Jeremy Troy (Charlie). Seattle Opera Chorus: Aida, The Ring, Il Trovatore, Falstaff. Jonathan would like to thank Mom, Dad, Scheide, Tingvall, and Cat.



Nicole Lockett (Major Barbara Undershaft) this is Nicole's second time performing on the Tacoma Little Theatre stage, the first time being as Mary Warren in The Crucible. Since moving back to the States about a year and a half ago, she has performed most often at Lakewood Playhouse, including May Daniels in Once in a Lifetime and Gay Wellington and Olga Katrina in You Can't Take it With You. Other past favorite roles include Élise in The Miser, Nimue in Camelot, and Irene Roth in Crazy for You (Theatre Extemporé). She also works as a choreographer, and most recently choreographed HMS Pinafore at Lakewood Playhouse.

#### About the Cast cont.



Betzy J. Miller (Lady Britomart) has been performing for over 37 years. She received her first big break (in Tacoma) in TLT's production of Pippin, in 1995. Since then she has gone on to perform in various other theatres from Seattle to Olympia. Her most recent work included some voice overs and a one-woman show at the Tacoma History Museum. Betzy is always glad to be back at TLT — where her west coast career began.



Leischen C. Moore (Sarah Undershaft/Jenny Hill) is thrilled to be returning to TLT after last being seen this season as Maggie in *Lend Me a Tenor*. While she happily spends her days as a voice teacher, she is delighted to spend many of her nights with Tacoma's many fine theatre companies. She received The News Tribune's Honorable Mention for Best Actress in A Musical for her work as Sonia Walsk in *They're Playing Our Song*. A few other local credits include, *Lucky Stiff, Absent Friends, The Hollow, The 1940s Radio Hour, Urinetown, The Sound of Music,* and *The Fantasticks*. She holds performance degrees from both NYU and PLU. Thanks GMDF. Please visit her website at www.lcmstudios.com.



John Munn (Charles Lomax/Bill Walker) has been lucky enough to have been involved with Tacoma Little Theatre since the age of eight and has worked, over the years, in every theatre in the south sound. His most recent appearance was as John Dickenson in 1776. His most recent appearance with Mike Slease was as a young man to his much, much elder, over twenty years ago, in *The Miser* at Lakewood Playhouse.



Syra Beth Puett (Rummy Mitchens) first performed here at TLT over thirty years ago. She was seen most recently here as Emma in Over the River and Through the Woods. A native of Alabama, She was educated in Texas, holds a BA of Music Education degree, and retired from teaching music in Tacoma four years ago. At TLT, she has been in more than a dozen shows, including leads in On Golden Pond, Kiss Me, Kate, Arsenic and Old Lace (best actress award), Noises Off, and The Glass Menagerie. Elsewhere, she has had leading roles in The Hollow, The Gingerbread Lady, Death of a Salesman, The Diary of Anne Frank, Oklahoma, Carousel, and The Grapes of Wrath.

# About the Cast cont.



**David Robertson (Snobby Price)** is excited to play at Tacoma Little Theatre in this great production. I would like to thank everyone in the cast, and crew for such a good experience. He has also been in *Once in a Lifetime* as Lawrence Vail. I love you Caresse!



**Darrel Shephard (Peter Shirley/Bilton)** is delighted to once more be involved in a play at Tacoma Little Theater. He has recently been seen in *Tom Sawyer* at Lakewood Playhouse, *Oliver* at Encore Theater and *Curtains* at Tacoma Musical Playhouse. What better way to take a break from the latest musicals than doing George Bernard Shaw, directed by the talented Scott Campbell. Life is Good!



**Mike Slease (Andrew Undershaft)** has performed in several shows throughout the South Sound area. He is happy to be a part of this great cast.



Angela Vendetti (Commissioner Baines) is excited to be making her debut performance at Tacoma Little Theater. After being bit by the theater bug at the age of 11 when she played the queen's gardener in a production of *Alice in Wonderland*, she spent many years performing in a variety of venues from acting, singing, directing and recording. After a break of several years, she is glad to be back on stage. Angela was most recently seen as a Sister/Cousin/Aunt in *HMS Pinafore* at Lakewood Playhouse. Angela sends her love to her husband Tom and their three children, Lorenza, Lucia, & Sergio, who have given her so many reasons to laugh.

#### About the Artistic Staff

**Scott Campbell (Director)** Scott is the Managing Artistic Director at Tacoma Little Theatre. He has directed many plays in the area including *The Sound of Music, Amadeus, Macbeth, The Three Musketeers, Steel Magnolias, Private Lives* and *The Incredible Undersea Trial of Joseph P. Lawnboy.* In addition to directing, Scott is a noted area designer. Scott is the winner of two Emmy awards and numerous other television awards. His production, *Macbeth*, was named "Best Drama of the Year" by The News Tribune. He thanks Julie, Sydney, and Paige for their tremendous love and support.

Brie Yost (Assistant Director/Stage Manager) this is Brie's first time stage managing for Tacoma Little Theatre and she is thrilled to be doing it! She is also excited to be serving as TLT's new Associate Artistic Director. Past assistant directing and stage managing experience includes *Macbeth*, *The Sound of Music*, and most recently *Tom Sawyer* the Musical at Lakewood Playhouse. Brie has also just finished up directing *Endgame* here at TLT. Other directing projects include *Tuesdays with Morrie* at Lakewood Playhouse, *Red Noise*, *The Vagina Monologues*, and *Boise*, *Idaho* at Pacific Lutheran University where Brie holds a BFA in theatre. She would like to thank the wonderful cast and crew on the show for their professionalism and their wit! And thanks to Joe for all the love and support.

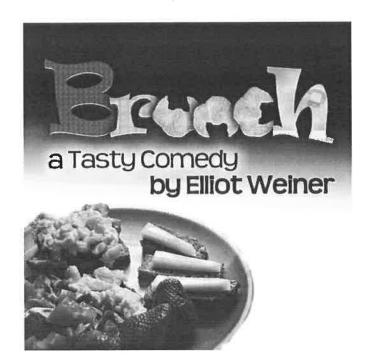
**Erin Chanfrau (Set Designer)** enjoys designing, painting, directing, and writing. *Macbeth, Amadeus, Black Coffee, A Christmas Carol*, and *A Raisin in the Sun* were some of her favorite projects. She recently designed *Much Ado About Nothing, On Golden Pond* and *The Star-Spangled Girl* for Tacoma Little Theatre.

Jason Burg (Lighting Designer) Jason is happy to back for his 7th design at TLT this season. He has a BA in Theatre Arts from Southern Oregon University in Ashland, Oregon. Jason has also designed at Lakewood Playhouse in the last two seasons. Design credits include Ghost, Swimming in the Shallows, Endgame, The Woman in Black, Noises Off, Tuesdays with Morrie, Mousetrap and A Christmas Story. Jason will be attending the University of Birmingham's Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-Upon-Avon, England this coming fall.

#### About the Artistic Staff cont.

MattOsier(Technical Director) began his career at Tacoma Little Theatre through the youth program several years ago. He has performed every back stage duty at one time or another. He was the Master Carpenter for Much Ado About Nothing and Leading Ladies, Set Decorator for Give 'em Hell, Harry and Lighting Designer for Dear Santa, Shirley Valentine, and The Crucible, and Technical Director for On Golden Pond, The Star-Spangled Girl, Lend Me a Tenor, A Christmas Story, Over the River and Through the Woods, Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks, The Incredible Undersea Trial of Joseph P. Lawnboy and Noises Off.

# On Stage Next.....



June 18-June 27

Hailed by reviewers as, "...an exceptional new play," and "...funny, warm, and fast-paced," BRUNCH introduces us to three friends who regularly meet for brunch – until their tradition is challenged by three new friends who join the group. The ever-changing relationships are very funny – and challenging – as friendships often are.

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#### Tacoma Little Theatre

is now taking registrations for our Summer Youth Theatre Programs!!



ANNIE, Jr. June 21st - July 18 Four Week Camp Mon - Fri 10am - 5pm Ages 8-16 (or with instructor's permission)

Registration.....\$425.00

Register Early and Save!! Before June 1st......\$400.00



Registration	\$250.00
Register Early and Save!!	Before June 15th\$225.00



Registration	\$375.00
Register Early and Save!!	Before July 1st\$350.00

# Tacoma Little Theatre

is now taking registrations for our Adult Theatre Programs also!!

# **Adult Acting Class with Scott Campbell**

(ages 16-adult, or with instructor's permission) Summer Registration Deadline: July 1, 2010 **Tuesdays:** July 6 - August 3, 2010 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

**Tuition: \$225.00** 

**Instructor:** Managing Artistic Director Scott Campbell

Scott Campbell provides actors with a word-based approach to acting. This class will feature intensive scene work with an emphasis on identifying specific motives, objectives, obstacles, and tactics. Class size is limited to 20, but does not require partner work. Students will work together and independently with Scott. Scene work is a fabulous way to grow in your craft and enhance many avenues of your theatrical journey including, but not limited too, auditioning and performances. All scripts are pre-selected by Scott.

# Theatre Appreciation in a Digital Age with Scott Campbell

Summer Registration Deadline: July 1, 2010 Wednesdays: July 7 - July 28, 2010 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Tuition: \$125.00** 

Special TLT Subscriber Tuition: \$99.00 Instructor: Managing Artistic Director Scott Campbell

What is theatre? Where did it all begin and where is it going in the future? Join TLT's Artistic Director Scott Campbell as he examines the "State of Theatre" in the year 2010. This lecture based class will use live actors and multimedia to explore the following:

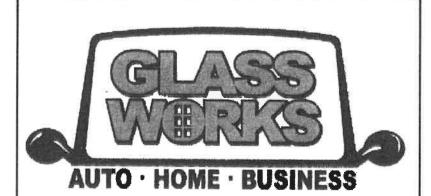
- · The four artistic elements of theatre
- · Audience as artist the willing suspension of disbelief
- · The history of theatre from cave dwellers to today
- · Dramatic form
- The Shakespeare code
- · How theatre will save the world

# Don't Miss Out!!!!

on all the **FUN** at **TLT** this Summer!!!

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# The 2010-2011 Season

TLT is excited to announce it's 92nd Season!

# Sleuth

by Anthony Shaffer
Runs August 27th thru September 26th 2010
The ultimate who-dunnit. Winner of the Tony and
Drama Critics Circle awards for Best Play

# **Eleemosynary**

by Lee Blessing Runs October 22 thru November 14th 2010

A masterful tale of three remarkable women: a young girl, her mother and her grandmother.

# **A Christmas Story**

by Jean Sheppard
Runs November 26th thru December 24th 2010
An all-new production. The tradition continues!

# Frost/Nixon

by Peter Morgan
Runs January 14th thru February 6th 2011
This Tony-winning play is also an
Oscar-nominated film directed by Ron Howard.

# A Flea in Her Ear

by Georges Feydeau
Runs March 4th thru March 27th 2011
The greatest of French farces,
perhaps the greatest farce ever written.

# Annie

with music by Charles Strouse, lyrics by Martin Charnin, and the book by Thomas Meehan.
Runs April 29th thru May 29th 2011
Leapin' Lizards! The comic strip heroine takes the stage in one of the world's best loved musicals.