

Theatre du \$TM
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RADIO SHOW

Written & Directed By

PAUL SANNERUD

PERFORMANCES

December 15 & 16, 2017 ★ 7:30pm

December 17, 2017 ★ 2:00pm

Dorothy B. Magnus Black Box Theatre

450 Johnson Street ★ Winona, MN
(Performing Arts Center, Winona State University)

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Music Director
Hunter Evenson

Stage Manager ~ Julie Heukeshoven

Lighting Design ~ Dovie Hughes

Sound Design ~ Bob Stuber

Costume Design ~ Anastasia Goodwin

Scenic Design ~ Niffer Pflager

Program and Poster Design ~ Heidi Bryant

Running Crew

Light Board Operator ~ Dovie Hughes

Sound Board Operator ~ Bob Stuber

(in order of appearance)

Folksinger	Tori Hicks
Bill Mueller, 18, about to be drafted.	Isaac Hicks
Rose Mueller, Bill's sister, pregnant	Hannah Hagberg
MJ Skrodski, neighbor to the Muellers	Raelynn Peter
Nancy, a waitress.	Mavel Buczko
Loren, senior at St Mary's	Sam Scherrer
Herb DeRoichere, DJ at KSMC	Chris Livingston
Brother Jerry, Station manager at KSMC	Sam Scherrer
Joe Haizkolari, Junior at St Mary's	Darren Cajipo
Radio Announcer.	Jeff Lueck
Sound Effects Operator	Andrea Fetsch
Barbara Mueller, Mother to Bill and Rose	Tori Hicks
Ed Mueller, Father to Bill and Rose	Bob Hawkings
Grandpa Leon, Father to Barbara	Michael Flanagan
Waitress at the Cockadoodledoo	Cami Sabie
Reverend Ron, junior pastor at St Martin's.	Sam Scherrer
Joan and Nancy, tap dancers.	Mavel Buczko and Hannah Hagberg
Mikey Skrodski, neighbor to Muellers	Theo Meyer

Scene & Time

All scenes take place in and around the Winona area in December 21-25 of 1968.

Biographies

(in alphabetical order)

Mavel Buczko (Nancy, a waitress; Joan, tap dancer)

Mavel Buczko is currently a freshman at Saint Mary's university of Minnesota, moved from Dallas, Texas. She has been acting for the past 8 years, focusing on musical theatre and dance. She has been in many shows including, *Our Town*, the *Addams Family*, *Godspell*, and *Endwaters*. Mavel is very excited to perform her second show here, in Winona. This will be an interesting transition from high school Theatre and Texas community Theatre, but she is so ready to show everyone what she, and her cast, have been working on. Mavel would like to thank Paul for believing in her and giving her the chance to participate!

Darren Cajipo (Joe Haizkolari, Junior at St Mary's)

Darren is a senior from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota. The most recent role he played is Mr. Hardcastle in *She Stoops to Conquer*. He recently came from a summer internship with The Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey and is on his way to becoming a professional in classical acting.

Hunter Evenson (Music Director)

Hunter is a senior Music Education major at Viterbo University. He coaches *Out of the Blue*, a show choir at G-E-T High School in Galesville and plays keyboard and sings with a variety of groups around the Coulee Region.

Andrea Fetsch (Sound Effects Operator)

Andrea Fetsch is very excited to be a part of The 6th Annual Christmas Radio Show. She has appeared in *Chitty, Chitty Bang Bang*, *Medea*, *A Virgin's Voice*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, and *The Nutcracker*. Andrea would like to thank her family for supporting her in her theatrical endeavors!

Michael Flanagan (Grandpa Leon, Father to Barbara)

Michael Flanagan taught/worked/directed/acted at Saint Mary's University for 36 years, until 2003. He also managed the Winona Community Theatre from 1971-75. Michael has written several plays, including two presented by Theatre du Mississippi: *Buzz Saw*, about Mat Wagner, who ran for Winona's mayor in the 1930s, and *Julie Wera, the Yankee Flash*, a Winonan who played with the New York Yankees in 1927. More works are in progress.

Anastasia Goodwin (Costume Design)

Anastasia Goodwin has just moved to Winona this summer after accepting the position of Costume Designer and Shop Manager at Saint Mary's University. This fall semester she designed costumes for the productions of *Glengarry Glen Ross* and *She Stoops to Conquer*. Anastasia holds an MFA in Costume Design from the University of Washington in Seattle. Previous design credits in the Pacific Northwest include *Peter Pan*, *Caucasian Chalk Circle*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson*, *Translations*, *Cloud 9*, *Spring Awakening*, and many others. Anastasia teaches courses in costume design, construction, and stage makeup at Saint Mary's. She would like to thank her husband Jerry and her kids Ryoko, Mila, and Ilya for all their love and unwavering support.

Hanna Hagberg (Rose Mueller, Bill's sister, pregnant; Nancy, tap dancer)

Hanna is excited to be in another show at TdM. She performed in *Endwaters* previously. She studies at Saint Mary's University and majors in theatre and human services.

Bob Hawkings (Ed Mueller, Father to Bill and Rose)

This is Bob's sixth show for TdM and the third Christmas Radio Show (he thinks). He has lived in Minnesota for 23 years and 12 of those in Winona. His wife and two sons were all born in California but they moved here to raise the boys. In 1968 he was 15 years old, in High School, and spent most of his free time either surfing (waves, not internet) or flying his dad's 1953 Cessna 195.

Julie Heukeshoven (Stage Manager)

Julie has lived in Winona for 12 years. She graduated from Saint Mary's University with a BA in Theater and Public Relations. She studied for a semester abroad in London and Dublin. Julie has worked as a box office manager, props master and actress. She loves learning new areas of theater and her next goal is to create theater opportunities for children in the Winona area.

Isaac Hicks (Bill Mueller, 18, about to be drafted)

Isaac Hicks is delighted to be apart of his third "big" production. He performed in *On Golden Pond* and *Lend Me a Tenor* when he lived in Alaska. Isaac is a newcomer to Winona and is currently a Junior at the Senior High and he enjoys hot chocolate and warm fires.

Tori Hicks (Folksinger; Barbara Mueller, Mother to Bill and Rose)

Tori Hicks and her family just moved to Winona from Alaska this August and she is thrilled to be able to perform with Theatre du Mississippi. While she has appeared in many previous productions in other places she has lived, she is excited to be in her very first radio show. She is also very grateful to be able to be on stage with her son, Isaac, for the third time! Tori hopes you all enjoy The 1968 Christmas Radio Show as much as she has enjoyed being a part of it.

Dovie Hughes (Lighting Design and Lighting Board Operator)

Dovie Hughes is glad to return for her second show with Theatre du Mississippi. She first came to Winona in 2012 from Houston, Texas to attend Saint Mary's University of Minnesota. She is currently finishing her B.A. in Theatre Arts with a focus in Tech and Design. She has designed many shows there including *Glengarry Glen Ross*, *The Drowsy Chaperone*, *Medea*, DRC: 40th Anniversary, *How I Learned to Drive*, *SPLaSH 2014*, *He Who Fights Monsters*; additionally as Master Electrician for the productions *She Stoops to Conquer*, *Government Inspector*, *Necessary Targets*, DRC: Juxtapose. She has worked on other shows outside of schooling such as *Endwaters* (Theatre du Mississippi), *Suessical the Musical*, *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* (Home and Community Options); Minnesota Beethoven Festival; *Sweet Charity* (Water Tower Theater).

Chris Livingston (Herb DeRochere, DJ at KSMC)

Chris has lived in Winona for 18 years, and holds down the west end of town with his wife Mari, son Nolan, and daughter Isabell. Chris recently played Robert in TdM's production of *Endwaters* this past October. Chris is a financial advisor who enjoys camping, hiking, and canoeing.

Jeff Lueck (Radio Announcer)

Jeff Lueck is appearing in his 6th TdM Production. A resident of Winona, he is the National Fleet Manager for Builder's First Source. He enjoys traveling with his wife of 30 years Dawn, and together, are always looking forward to their next adventure!

Theo Meyer (Mikey Skrodski, neighbor to Muellers)

Theo is excited to be apart of his first Christmas Show. This is his 6th theatre performance overall. Theo has lived in Winona for 14 years and currently has a part-time job at Jefferson Pub and Grill. He enjoys playing soccer and one of his favorite things is dancing (mostly improv).

Raelynn Peter (MJ Skrodski, neighbor to the Muellers)

This is Raelynn's first show with TdM. She has previously been in local shows with Winona Senior High School, GRSF, and HCO. Raelynn has lived in Winona for 10 years and currently is a Freshman at Winona State University and enjoys theater and spending time in the snow.

Niffer Pflager (Scenic Design)

Niffer has recently moved to Winona and currently works as a professor of theatre at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

Cami Sabie (Waitress at the Cockadoodledoo)

Camie Sabie is delighted to be a part of her first show since 1971 when she played the part of Mother in the Pipestone high School production of *Cheaper by the Dozen*.

Paul Sannerud (Writer and Director)

Paul Sannerud has been a freelance designer and director for over 35 years and has done over 350 productions for theatre, opera and dance. He is the president of 2020 Theatrical, an employee owned company that specializes in installing rigging systems for theatres and performing arts centers.

He has lived in Winona for the past 13 years and serves as the president of the board for Theatre Du Mississippi and as a synodically authorized minister for the La Crosse Area Synod of the ELCA. He has written all or part of the Christmas Radio Shows for 4 of the past 6 years.

Sam Scherrer

(Loren, senior at St Mary's; Brother Jerry, Station manager at KSMC;
Reverend Ron, junior pastor at St Martin's)

Sam is delighted to be a part of this year's radio show. He is a senior at Winona State, majoring in Theatre. He works as a tour guide for Walkabout Winona, enjoys medieval history, and doesn't believe the Oxford comma is optional.

Bob Stuber (Sound Design and Sound Board Operator)

Bob Stuber has worked on sound with several Theatre du Mississippi productions, including *Angels in the Trees: Rockwell Kent in Winona*, *Fiends Schemes and Broken Dreams!* and three Christmas Radio shows. He regularly provides live sound for concerts and events around Winona, and he teaches English at Minnesota State College Southeast.

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