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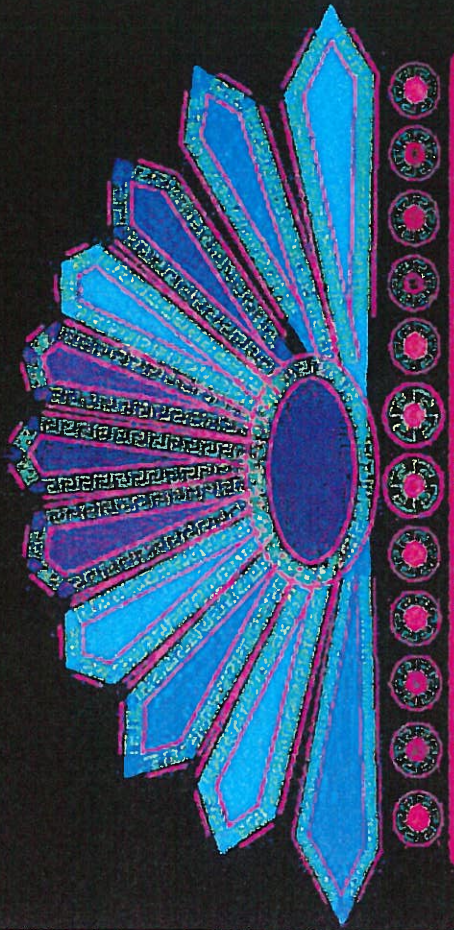
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Presents



Forty-Five Minutes From

# BROADWAY

Book by Shubert Fendrich

Music and Lyrics by George M. Cohan

Co-Directed by Jessica Blaszk & Hope Harrison

Musical Direction by Hope Harrison

Choreographed by Jessica Blaszk

Performances: Saturday, August 5, 2017

Times: 1 and 6 p.m.

Central High School Auditorium

815 S. Oakdale Ave. Medford, OR

All tickets are \$7.00 - Purchase online or at the door

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## Instructors and Staff

### of Forty-Five Minutes from Broadway

Artistic Director/Producer ..... Jeff Tabler  
 Co-Director/Choreographer ..... Jessica Blaszk  
 Co-Director/Musical Director ..... Hope Harrison  
 Stage Manager ..... Laura Delgado  
 Assistant Producer/Choreographer .... Alissa Larson  
 Scenic Construction ..... Pete Gillette

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Poster artwork and design by Cynthia Flowers

## OCPA Board of Directors

Miriam Liberatore, President  
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 Alissa Larson,  
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Founded in 1998, Oregon Conservatory of Performing Arts was founded by two local high school teachers felt there was a need to offer kids theatre experiences beyond what was found in the public schools, where arts were being curtailed or eliminated. The two brought together a number of artists and teachers to bring the arts alive in the lives of students.

### Our Mission

The mission of the Oregon Conservatory of Performing Arts is to keep the performing arts alive and within reach of everyone in our community.

### Our Values

We believe that all young people should have the opportunity to experience the theatre arts — that a complete education involves knowledge of the arts and participation in them. We teach the process of theatre, helping kids develop self-esteem and communication skills through creativity and teamwork.

# Be a part of OCPA!

We watch all this fabulous talent up on stage today, but we know where it really comes from:

## **YOU!**

Kids can't be this great without fantastic people supporting them behind the scenes. It takes a lot of dedication and effort to keep healthy, happy, active kids going and fully engaged.

Our OCPA board of directors is small but mighty, and we have a lot of fun doing a lot of work. We donate our time and our resources to help make these performance opportunities possible.

## **But we need your help!**

Do you have light work skills that could help us keep the magic going? We are looking for some specific skills that could help OCPA take that next step into a fully-staffed year-round conservatory. If you are someone with a skill that you'd like to share for just a few hours each month, please stop by the lobby or give us a call. We are always looking for like-minded people who want to contribute to OCPA's success. Find out how much fun you can have helping make someone's dreams come true!



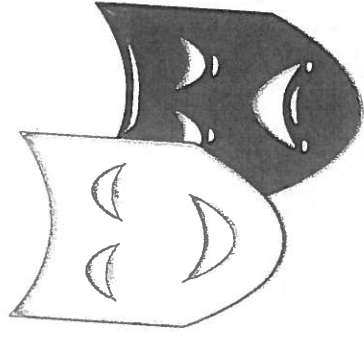
## Directors' Notes

I've loved being a part of "Forty-five Minutes from Broadway" with your children. What a joy to watch them get to be in their own "Broadway" show!

As a child, all I wanted was to be a part of theatre. These kids make me proud every day as I watch them grow. It is such a huge gift! I'm so thankful for the opportunity to teach and work with your wonderful children.

We hope that you enjoy the show!

Jessica Blaszak



# Musical Director's Notes

This four week camp has been super special for all of us involved! It has been such a privilege to be on this creative team that has taken just 14 individuals and helped to instill and refine in them a variety of performance skills. These students have done such a fantastic job! Each day they come to rehearsal excited to learn and improve, and work hard toward mastering the techniques needed for musical performance excellence.

We hope you enjoy our story as we take one young, hopeful actor and follow her journey as she tries to make it in New York City.

And, whether you have a child, grandchild, friend or neighbor in our cast, thank you so much for coming to see the show today! Your support of this show and OCPA is helping to turn out yet another generation of outstanding actors! After all, whether watching it or performing in it, there is nothing like the theater!

Now... Please sit back, enjoy the story, the music and the dancing, and imagine what it would be like to be on that incredible quest for success! Broadway... Here we come!

Hope Harrison



# Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who made this performance possible, including...

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# CCPA's Scholarship Fund



Many thanks to the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians for their generous & gracious support our scholarship fund. It is through their generosity and their dedication to serving today's youth that we can help to serve all students in our community.

## And Thank you, Sponsors!

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# CAST

(in order of speaking role)

**Dick Foster**, a director of a Broadway show ..... Sam Gallo  
**Trixie**, a chorus girl ..... Ryelee Breazeale  
**Betty**, a chorus girl ..... Jamie Way  
**Flossie**, a chorus girl ..... Sydney Hillman  
**Suzie**, a chorus girl ..... Daniela Johnson  
**Connie**, a chorus girl ..... Anna Philp  
**Hilda**, a chorus girl ..... Makyah Dalton  
**Eddie Cowles**, pianist ..... David Noble  
**Mary Collins**, an aspiring actress ..... Mia Castillo  
**Legs Ruby**, a big-time bookie ..... Ethan Bastian  
**Mona Monroe**, a Broadway star ..... Gabi Philp  
**Mugsy**, a gangster thug ..... Ruby Monsma  
**Babs**, a gangster thug ..... Timnah Roberson  
**Donald Harper**, a college student ..... Alex Neman-Hancock



Where's Jorge?

Since 2009's production of *Treasure Island*, our favorite rubber chicken has made a covert cameo appearance in almost every show. Can you spot our secret star?

# SCENES

## Scene 1 - onstage during rehearsal

### *Give My Regards to Broadway*

— Chorus Girls

### *Forty-five Minutes from Broadway*

— Dick, Trixie, Hilda & Mary

### *Virginia Song*

— Betty

### *Life is a Funny Proposition After All*

— Eddie, Legs & Cast

### *Forty-five Minutes from Broadway-*

*Reprise* — Mary

### *It's a Grand Old Flag/The Yankee*

*Doodle Boy*

— Mary, Trixie, Legs & Cast

### *So Long, Mary*

— Mary & Cast

### *Finale-Give My Regards to Broadway*

— Cast

# STAFF BIOS

Jessica Blaszak (Co-Director/ Choreographer) has been a director with OCPA for the last 3 years, and been involved in various productions and camps since 2004. She's a lady of many talents as she's a professional actor (catch her at the Oregon Cabaret Theatre this holiday season), a Pilates instructor at Ashland's YMCA, and a great mom on top of it all. Thanks for coming to support OCPA, our cast, and crew! Hope you enjoy the show!

Hope Harrison (Co-Director/Musical Director) is excited to be joining the creative team here at OCPA. She has been a music teacher/choral director for 30 years; 25 of them here in the Medford School District. And, Hope's own children grew up participating in Summer OCPA camps! She has thoroughly enjoyed working with your talented children these past four weeks! We hope you enjoy the show!

Alissa Larson (Assistant Producer/Choreographer) started off as an actress at OCPA for 4 years and now has moved on to working with the younger actors in pushing their abilities. She loves to sing and dance and act and has loved working with these kids in their acting process and seeing them grow into wonderful performers. :)

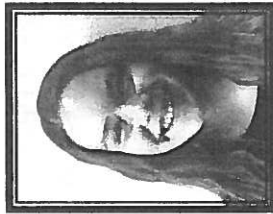
Laura Delgado (Stage Manager) has had the privilege of working with the talented kids of the Rogue Valley through the *Magic of Theatre Summer Camps* of OCPA for the last 12 summers (the last 11 as their Stage Manager). She'd like to thank the cast for all of their hard work and "yes-and" attitude; Jessica, Alissa, & Jeff for putting up with her inability to grasp sarcasm some days, and her little family for all of their support and hugs this summer. :)



Gabi Philp (Mona) is going into her Sophomore year at Cascade Christian high School. She has been apart of the wonderful plays and musical put on by OCPA for 2 years now. Other than acting, she enjoys playing sports throughout the school year.



Ethan Bastian (Legs) has been with OCPA for the past 3 summers. He is a 7th grader at Joseph Lane Middle School in Roseburg & stays with his grandparents in Medford during OCPA camps. He has also appeared in *Oliver* at UCC & in *The Lion King Jr.* at his school. He involved in Cross Country, soccer, & school jazz and concert bands.



Ruby Monsma (Mugsy) is 12 years old, has been acting for 3 years and LOVES it! It is so much fun and SO enjoyable! She is going into 7th grade at Ashland Middle School.



Timnah Roberson (Babs) is 11 years old, goes to The Valley School and is in the 6th grade. This is her 5th play. Her favorite color is blue, and her favorite animal is a white tiger! :)



Alex Newman-Hancock (Donald) lives in Ashland and attends St. Mary's. He is going into the 7th grade and enjoys playing saxophone and going to the Coast. This is his first play with OCPA. He has enjoyed the experience and hopes you all enjoy the show.

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**Break**  
**a Leg!**  
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Congrats, Cast, on your amazing work and perseverance to produce such a great show! I've enjoyed working with each of you and I really hope that you all continue with theatre because you're all so talented it's absolutely insane! I love you guys so so much and O hope you have so much fun on that stage and break all of the legs. ; )  
 -Alissa

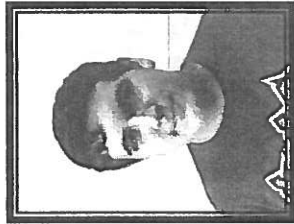
Ethan Bastian moves his talented "LEGS"

Bravo!!  
 Encore!  
 Great job, Cast!

You did it, Cast! Thank you for all of your work on bringing this story to life. Hope to see you again next summer! ~Laura, your SM

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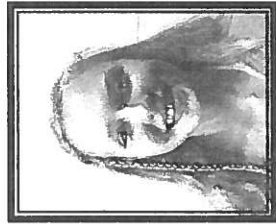
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Sam Gallo (Dick) will be attending Scenic Middle School this Fall. This is 1st time being in a musical through OCPA. Other than acting, he enjoys listening to music and playing video games.



Ryelee Breazeale (Trixie) is 12 years old & a 7th grader at Hedrick Middle School. She was last seen as Dorothy in Randall Theater's production of *The Wizard Of Wittlewood*, and she was also in Randall Theater's production of *Scrooge: The Musical* in 2015 as Kathy Cratchit. This will be her fifth OCPA performance.



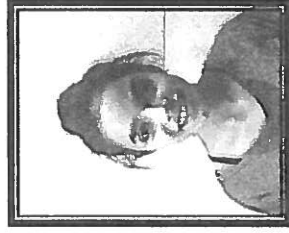
Jamie Way (Betty) loves to dance, sing, and act. This is her 4th play with the Oregon Conservatory of Performing Arts.



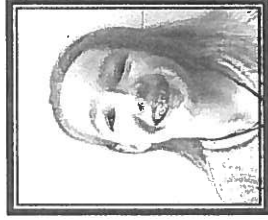
Sydney Hillman (Flossie) is an enthusiastic Whovian, cat lover & theater nerd. This fall, she'll be attending Crater Renaissance Academy as a freshman. Her acting credits include one TMTTO show and ten other OCPA shows! She'd like to thank her wonderful friends for making her laugh and Laura & Alyssa for keeping our cast looking 8 amazing on and off the stage. Enjoy the show!



Daniela Johnson (Suzie) is 11 years old, goes to Cascade Christian School & is going into 6th grade. She has done one previous OCPA camp and two with Randall Theater. She likes to write, dance, sing and act. She is also a Disney geek.



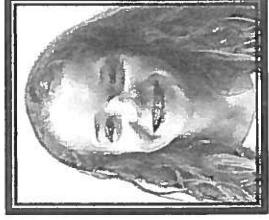
Anna Philp (Connie) is 12 years old and soes to Sacred Heart Catholic School. She has been attending OCPA musical camps for 2 years now. Her favorite hobby is running, but she also enjoys singing and acting.



Makyah Dalton (Hilda) is a 7th grader at Hedrick Middle School & this is her third year with OCPA. She is having an amazing time with this group! This is her favorite OCPA production yet! She'd like to thank the cast & crew, her family, & particularly her grandmother. She cannot wait until her next performance with OCPA!



David Noble (Eddie) is a 13-year-old 8th grader at Scenic Middle School. He enjoys football, snow skiing & water sports. He's also involved in 4H, with this being his fourth year showing a market hog. During the school year he's involved with Scenic's drama club, and math team. This is his sixth production with OCPA.



Mia Castillo (Mary) is 14 years old, goes to St. Mary's School and has been going there for 3 years now. She has been doing OCPA for 7 years. She always has fun and hopes you enjoy the show.