

Center for the Arts at Ithaca

















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MISSION

The Center for the Arts at Ithaca, Inc., d.b.a. the Hangar Theatre, is committed to providing exceptional theatre experiences of high professional quality to enrich, enlighten, educate, and entertain the diverse audience in the Finger Lakes region. Strong education and training programs are central parts of our commitment to the local and national artistic communities.

VISION

The Hangar Theatre produces world-class theatre offering plays and musicals, revivals, and new works that reflect the diversity of our region. A Hangar production is synonymous with artistic excellence. Our work leaves an impact and has a strong presence locally, nationally, and online.

We support and enhance the Ithaca arts community by using our building as a community arts space, bringing a diverse group of people into our theatre to experience arts of all kinds.

We develop the next generation of theatre goers and arts lovers by creating a culture of arts engagement.

We are the flagship theatre of the Finger Lakes region, paving the way for other arts organizations to flourish with our support.

VALUES

We create theatre for our stage, our community, and our time to engage people of all ages and backgrounds.

We believe that the shared experience of an audience is of great value to the individual and creates a more vital community.

We are committed to championing great art to awaken a passion for live theatre and to deepen the understanding of the human

experience.

We believe that our programs help children learn to collaborate, communicate, and create. We make a commitment to youth programming and arts education, including using theatre as a tool to teach.

We nurture young and emerging artists through experience, mentoring, challenge, and support.

We ensure the theatre's future by making sound financial decisions in support of our artistic and educational programming.





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*Thank you to our colleagues who moved on during 2017



The two of us started our new leadership alliance in October 2017, when MaryBeth returned to the Hangar to serve as the Interim Managing Director. Co-leaders of an organization share so much. But because we also share initials, we thought we would share our Annual Report letter as well!

This was a year of extraordinary artistic growth for the Hangar. In addition to reinstating the fifth show, which allows us to extend our season to Labor Day, we also added our original holiday production, *Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol*, adapted by Aoise Stratford. This production was supported in part by a grant through the New York State Regional Economic Development Councils. This heartwarming and inclusive show was welcomed heartily by the community, and we plan to make it an annual holiday tradition.

The Hangar saw several major staff changes in 2017, saying farewell to Josh Friedman (Managing Director), Helen Clark (Education and Community Outreach Manager), Liz Baker (Audience Services Manager), Alyssa Stoeckl (Marketing Director) and Abigail Scaduto (Annual Fund Manager). We are grateful for their many contributions and wish them well in their future endeavors.

We were pleased to welcome Nathan Norcross as the new Director of Education/Artistic Associate in June. Eight hundred students from across the region engaged with the Hangar's

Education programs last year, from every fourth grade student in Ithaca City School District, Trumansburg, Newfield, and Dryden creating their own curriculum based plays in Project 4 to school aged students spending their winter, spring, and summer breaks exploring the joys of theatrical collaboration. We rolled out two new programs geared specifically towards our elementary-age students, and one of those programs more than doubled in participants when we brought it back for 2018!

We also welcomed
Mitchell Hurricane Smith
(Director of Communications & Marketing),
Stephanie Waite (Annual
Fund Manager) and Emily
Kadish (Audience Services
Manager).

For most of the year,
MaryBeth's relationship
with the Hangar was as a
subscriber to the Summer
Mainstage and as a former
staff member. She returned
as Interim Managing Director as the excitement
for the Hangar's first ever
winter production, Charles
Dickens'A Christmas Carol,
started to bubble up. This
was a real joy.

The Hangar finished 2017 with a "hit," a positive bottom-line, and great enthusiasm for the upcoming summer season. Thanks to all who made 2017 a success!

—Michael Barakiva and MaryBeth Bunge

Letter from the Board

In my first year as President of the Hangar Board of Trustees, I am proud and delighted to witness yet again all that this organization offers, both to me and to our community. I am grateful to our staff, my colleagues on the board, and our diverse and growing theatre-going community.

In 2017, we returned to a 5-show summer Mainstage season and hosted more than two dozen performances and concerts, many of which were local arts organizations—in our winterized facility throughout the fall and spring. Through the Hangar's Project 4: Artists in the Schools, more than 600 students in 34 fourth-grade classrooms across Tompkins County had their first experience with theatre arts, and just a few weeks ago 19 first through fourth grade students performed an original play on the Niederkorn stage as part of our Winter Break-a-Leg program.

Last but not least, we premiered our first-ever annual holiday show, Charles Dickens' A

Christmas Carol (which I saw on Christmas Eve with my family, and I look forward to including as a seasonal tradition in the years to come). With such a list of accomplishments, it is amazing to see all that we as an organization have realized. It also provides many wonderful opportunities to envision all that we can continue to achieve.

My relationship with the Hangar has been lifelong. From my first summer as a student of the Next Generation School of Theatre (more than 25 years ago!) to exchanging marriage vows with my wife this past May on the Hangar stage, my experiences with the theatre have been personal and unforgettable. I am excited to help support the Hangar Theatre Company in the upcoming year's endeavors and to share with as many people as possible the magic of theatre that I've experienced.





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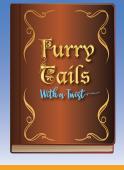






June 22, 23 & 24, 2017 7 Performances Total Attendance: 1.094 by Kevin Henkes Adapted by Kevin Kling Directed by Jillian Carucci

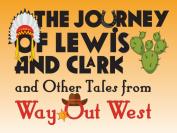




July 6, 7 & 8, 2017 6 Performances Total Attendance: 879

by Jennifer Hickok DeFratis Directed by Gabriel Vega Weissman

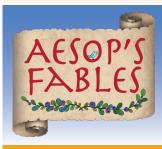




July 13, 14 & 15, 2017 6 Performances

Total Attendance: 1,488

by E. Gray Simons III
Directed by Michael Alvarez



July 27, 28 & 29 2017 6 Performances Total Attendance: 1,382

by Christopher Parks Directed by Tom Costello





August 10, 11 & 12, 2017 6 Performances Total Attendance: 1,721

Based on the 1951 Disney film "Alice in Wonderland" and the novels "The Adventures of Alice in Wonderland" and "Through the Looking Glass" by Lewis Carroll Music and Lyrics by Sammy Fain and Bob Hillard, Oliver Wallace and Cy Coban, Allie Wrubel and Ray Gilbert, Mack David, Al Hoffman and Jerry Livingston Directed by Brad Raimondo Music Direction by Zeek Smith Choreographed by Priscilla Hummel

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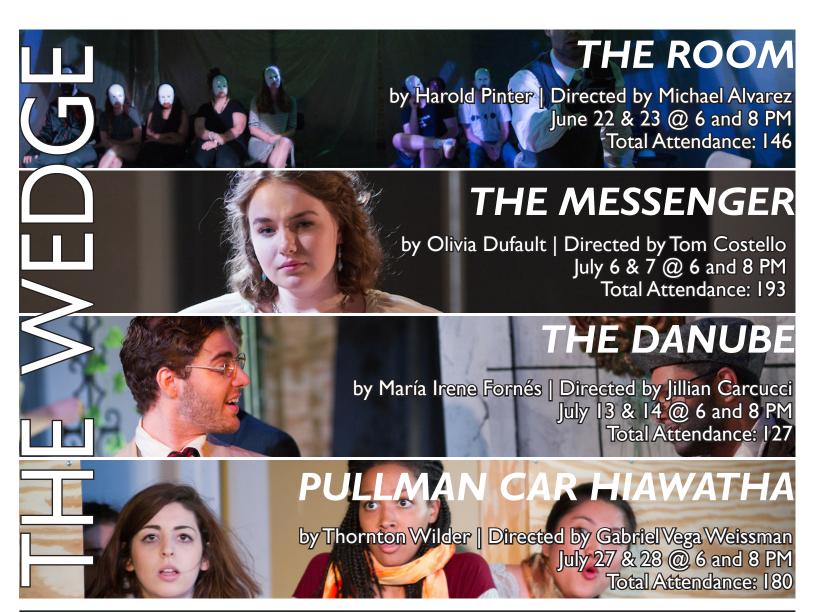
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IN MEMORIAM

In 2017 we said goodbye to two gentlemen who inspired and supported the Hangar for many, many years.

David G. Flinn

David Galbraith Flinn passed away Saturday, December 23, 2017. Dave served on the Hangar Theatre Board of Trustees for 31 years. He also served on the Hangar for All Seasons community giving committee, and he was one of the top 3 donors in the Hangar's history. He and his wife Mary were subscribers for decades; when Mary passed away, his beloved granddaughter Elizabeth became his Hangar date. We are grateful for his long, dedicated service to and love for the Hangar Theatre.

Robert M. Mueller

Robert Manning Mueller passed away on December 27, 2017. Bob was the architect who had the vision and skill to create a design to transform a dilapidated airplane hangar into the Hangar Theatre. We are grateful for his creativity, diligence and commitment that provided our community with a place to be enlightened, enriched and entertained for generations.



Written by Aoise Stratford Directed by Michael Barakiva

2017 marked the premiere of the Hangar Theatre Company's original adaptation of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Shows ran from December 5 to 24 with 3 student matinees, 1 free community performance and 15 public performances. 4,121 patrons attended.

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Additional Funding:



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Villalobos Brothers 2 Shows 261 Attended The Bizarre and Curious Quest of Killian Cog 2 Shows 450 Attended Plan B the Musical 2 Shows 266 Attended Burns Sisters 2 Shows 238 Attended

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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

DRAMA LEAGUE DIRECTORS PROJECT

Four Drama League Fellows collectively serve as the artistic leaders of the Hangar's Lab Company, a company comprised of college students in acting, directing, playwriting and choreography. Working with the support, counsel and guidance of the Hangar staff, they are responsible for selecting, directing, casting and producing the entire Wedge season offered in 2017 at the Cherry Artspace. Fellows direct both a show for Young Audiences and a play of their choice in the Wedge series (approved by Hangar staff), as well as serve as the producer of one Wedge rotation.

DESIGN FELLOWS AND APPRENTICES

In 10 weeks last summer, the 8 fellows designed 4 shows (two 2nd stage experimental productions in our Wedge Series and two children's theatre productions in our KIDDSTUFF season), collaborated with 4 Hangar Drama League Directors, mentored 4 Design Apprentices, and assisted on the Mainstage productions.

LAB COMPANY

With a specialized program for actors, choreographers, directors and playwrights, Lab Company members enhance their craft through classes, rehearsals, projects and performances.

All Lab Company Actors perform in our experimental second stage series, The Wedge held at Cherry Artspace, and our Theatre for Young Audiences KIDDSTUFF series.

20 Lab Co Actors | 4 Lab Co Directors
2 Lab Co Playwrights | 1 Lab Co Choreographer
\$15,750 in Lab Company tuition assistance

OUTREACH

Free Community Performance of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol: 325 Tickets

Pay-What-You-Can: **9 Performances | 194 Tickets**

Ticket Donations:
122 Mainstage
30 KIDDSTUFF
70 A Christmas Carol

More than \$18,000 in donated and reduced price tickets

Pay-What You-Can Sponsors





ARTIST IN RESIDENCY SERIES

The Hangar Theatre launched its Artist In Residency Series (AIRS) in fall of 2016. The purpose of the series is to afford our community additional exposure to artists outside Tompkins County, and to give those artists the chance to work on material without the distraction of everyday life. An artist is invited to spend one week in Ithaca, culminating in an informal salon presentation in which s/he shares the work created during the residency. In 2017, the AIRS participants included Kate Hamill, Mimi Quillin, Michael Flood, Johnny Drago, Ryan Spahn and Clare Drobot.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

PROJECT 4: Artist in Schools: **682 students**CSMA Class: **8 students**NEXT GENERATION School of Theatre:

121 studentsSpring Break-a-Leg: **13 students**

Spring Break-a-Leg: 13 students Winter Break-a-Leg: 8 students

832 Total Students | 25 Teaching Artist
I Participating Schools
Partnering Districts: Ithaca City School District,
Dryden, Newfield, and Trumansburg

\$7,000 in tuition assistance



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"Both of my daughters participated in the Next Generation School of Theatre and it has really saved their life. Having an outlet for their creativity and a supportive place to explore their talents has meant so much to our family. As a family receiving tuition assistance, I cannot thank the Hangar Theatre enough for making this opportunity available to us."

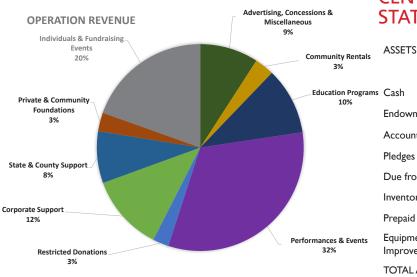
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2017 COMMUNITY PARTNER EVENTS, PERFORMANCES & CONCERTS





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Expenses

CENTER FOR THE ARTS AT ITHACA, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 2014-17

2016*

2015*

2014*

2017

3%						
Education Programs 10%	Cash	\$54,453.53	\$22,502.00	\$81,259.00	\$82,343.00	
	Endowment Funds	\$98,021.27	\$97,743.00	\$72,743.00	\$85,310.00	
	Accounts Receivable	\$51,400.12	\$36,268.00	\$47,146.00	\$18,552.00	
	Pledges Receivable	\$193,763.04	\$64,761.73	\$93,333.00	\$194,264.00	
	Due from Other Funds	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$76,793.00	
	Inventories & Deposits	\$9,039.52	\$10,627.83	\$11,116.00	\$9,054.00	
	Prepaid Expenses	\$28,173.87	\$27,382.18	\$12,531.00	\$7,282.00	
Performances & Events 32%	Equipment & Leasehold Improvements	\$2,433,788.53	\$2,538,061.53	\$2,655,499.00	\$2,776,315.00	
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,868,639.88	\$2,797,346.27	\$2,973,627.00	\$3,249,913.00	
OPERATION EXPENSES	LIABILITIES					
	Accounts Payable	\$54,520.33	\$43,217.00	\$42,950.00	\$42,541.00	
	Deferred Revenue	\$157,822.70	\$155,090.00	\$148,847.00	\$135,844.00	
	Due to Other Funds	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$76,793.00	
	Line of Credit Payable	\$227,499.62	\$151,679.00	\$151,209.00	\$171,174.00	
	Notes Payable	\$193,486.27	\$43,486.27	\$43,486.27	\$240,114.00	
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$633,328.92	\$393,472.27	\$386,492.27	\$666,466.00	
Personnel 56%	NET ASSETS					
	Unrestricted Assets	\$1,961,564.69	\$2,212,998.00	\$2,398,465.00	\$2,413,006.00	
	Restricted Assets	\$273,746.27	\$190,876.00	\$188,670.00	\$170,441.00	
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$2,235,310.96	\$2,403,874.00	\$2,587,135.00	\$2,583,447.00	
	TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$2,868,639.88	\$2,797,346.27	\$2,973,627.27	\$3,249,913.00	
	*Audited figures					

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Advertising, Marketing & Communications 10%

Fundraising

Production 19%

Facilities Expenses & . Maintenance 5%

> Insurance 2%

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