

# Actorsingers Newsletter

# OVATION

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Editor: Kerry Schneider

## ***LES MISÉRABLES***

**2 Weekends!**

**Friday, November 8 and 15** – 8:00 pm  
**Saturday, November 9 and 16** – 8:00 pm  
**Sunday, November 10 and 17** - 2:00 pm matinee

**Tickets: Buy online at [www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)**  
Or call **(603) 320 -1870**

Reserved seats at the Keefe Auditorium  
Elm St. Middle School, 117 Elm St., Nashua

\$20 Adults / \$18 Seniors and Students    Group Rates available

Directors: **Will McGregor** and **Judy Hayward**  
Stage Managers: **Michelle Morrison** and **Gretchen Gray**

Producer: **Cheryl Stocks**  
Tech Director: **Dennis Schneider**

### **The Cast:**

Jean Valjean – Max McGrath  
Javert – Mark Schwartzberg  
Fantine – Shawna Ciampa  
Eponine – Sheree Owens  
Cosette – Ashley St. Martin  
Thenardier – Don Higgins  
Madame Thernardier – Debra Buckley  
Marius – Joe Paoni  
Enjolras – Shawn Koczarski  
Young Cosette – Darcy Hinkle  
Young Eponine – Kristina McCarthy  
Gavroche – Benjamin Morton  
The Bishop of Digne – David Miller  
The Foreman - Tom Ritrovato  
Bamatbois – Dan Merriman  
Babet – Dave Fordyce  
Brujon – Larry Seiler  
Claquesous – Dan Desmarais

Fauchelevant – Andrew Holland  
Combeferre – Joel Iwaskiewicz  
Feuilly – Matt Kaiser  
Courfeyrac – Steve Gonzales  
Joly – Peter Boettcher  
Grantaire – Ben Levine  
Lesgles – Mitchell Johnson  
Jean Prouvaire – Chris O'Dwyer

### Female Ensemble:

Mia Berardi	Kathy LeClair	Jessica Plummer
Jessica Brouillard	Selena Miller	Julie Sampson
Karina Carney	Ruth Pack	Kerry Schneider
Chantal Choiniere	Laura Prior	Nicole Ste Croix
Sarah DeLisle	Danielle O'Keefe	Katie Weiss
Kate Gaudet	Laura Pierce	Melany White



**Thank you** to those who served on The Auditioning Board for *Les Miz*: **Chuck Emmons** (chair), **Deb Ritrovato**, **Lindsay Vago**, **Janice Edward** (outsider), **Bobby Fonacier** and the **Directors**. Thanks also to audition helpers **Cheryl Stocks**, **Raelene Liljeberg**, **Lizzie Krahenbuhl** and **Catherine Andruskevich**. Special thanks to accompanist **Brandon Buteau**. Unfortunately, **Bobby Fonacier** had to leave the production.

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## We need help backstage for Les Miz!

Please volunteer to help backstage for this production. Ushers (contact Ellie [MissEllie03062@gmail.com](mailto:MissEllie03062@gmail.com)), Running Crew (contact Michelle Morrison (stage manager) [jenn\\_shell@yahoo.com](mailto:jenn_shell@yahoo.com) or Cheryl Stocks (producer) [cstock1@attglobal.net](mailto:cstock1@attglobal.net)). Remember, Community theater can't function without the community!...and as members, you are the community!

For stories about the Les Misérables cast go to our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/actorsingers> and blog <http://actorsingers.org/actorsingers-news-blog-1.aspx>.

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## School House Rock Jr. – March 7, 8 and 9

**Auditions December 15 1:30 - 4:00 PM Doors Open at 1PM Ages 8 - 13**

Director - **Carol Gorelick**, Musical Director – **Jed Holland**, Choreographer – **Martha Holland**  
Co Producers – **Michelle Morrison** and **Jenn Morton**



Information on our Jr. show, School House Rock, will be on our Website [www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org)

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## *The Music Man Auditions!*

Although we haven't even performed *Les Miserables* yet, The Directors for our Spring show, *The Music Man* have been chosen: **Kathy Lovering** - Director, **Jed Holland** – MD and **Martha Holland** – Choreographer

**Auditions** will be **Saturday, Feb 8** from 2-4 pm for children 15 and under  
**Sunday, Feb 9** from 6-9 pm and **Monday, Feb 10** from 7-9 pm for adults (16+)



Thanks to **Tom Ritrovato, Evelyn Decker, Leo Choquette, John McAllister, Gretchen Gray, Bill Wenrich** and **Kerry Schneider** for help cleaning and sorting the Prop and Shop areas.

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**Show Mingle with Wine and Cheese**  
**Thursday, December 12 – 7 pm at Actorsingers Hall**

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Join the Playreading Committee members as they present the possible 2014/2015 Mainstage Play selections for next season. Everyone is invited to a Wine/Beer and Cheese Mingle to present the 8 shows in the running for our Mainstage productions next year. After the presentation, everyone is invited to discuss their thoughts and suggestions with the Committee. Come join the fun and be a part of the selection process for next year's shows!

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**\*\*\*\* MEMBERSHIP \*\*\*\***

**Dues for this fiscal year are overdue!! (July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014)**

**Only those who paid after June 30, 2013 are considered members for this year.**

If you were a member in 2012 but did not pay your dues yet for this year, this will be the last Ovation and membership E-mail you will receive and you will no longer be considered a member. Please send in your membership dues today!

Mail checks (made out to The Actorsingers!) - \$10 (Individual) or \$15 (Family – all at one address) to: The Actorsingers, c/o Kerry Schneider, 32 Clearview Dr., Nashua, NH 03062.

Be a proud member of the oldest (and we think finest!) Community Theater group in Southern New Hampshire

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**The NHCTA show – *Looks Get In The Way***

The Actorsingers production of "*Looks Get in the Way*" at the NHCTA competition in September was selected as the Runner-up for Best Production and received awards for outstanding lighting design, set design, acting (Katelynn Devorak) and Stage Management. I appreciate the support of the Actorsingers Board in giving me this opportunity and gratefully thank the backstage help of Gretchen Gray, Dan Merriman, Tom Ritrovato and, of course, the team of actors: Adam Harding, Katelynn Devorak and Mary Golding (who doubled as Stage Manager). Thank you. Chuck Emmons - Director

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**Save \$\$\$\$\$** - There is still time to **become a Subscriber** and see both Shows - **Save \$\$\$\$\$**  
***Les Miserables* and *The Music Man*** – only \$30! Call (603) 888-2837 for details

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**Condolences**

To The Friedman Family on the death of Josh's Mother

To Shawna Ciampa on the loss of her beloved Dogs

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## Team Charades (Take Two!) – Monday, November 25 – 7 pm at Actorsingers Hall

Join in the fun as the Social Committee presents an encore of *Team Charades*. (first one was held back in the summer). Contact Glen Grimard ([Grim856@aol.com](mailto:Grim856@aol.com)) for more details or just come on down and enjoy some laughs and a good time.

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**The New Hampshire Theatre Awards – Saturday, January 25, 2014** at The Stockbridge Theatre in Derry, NH. This event brings hundreds of fellow thespians and technical wizards together to celebrate achievements in theater in NH. More info about a group rate (lottery on Dec. 11) and details of the evening in the next **Ovation**. Our shows, *Curtains*, *Urinetown* (teens) and *Les Miserables* are in the running for awards.

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**In and About Town** – What was in the water for the cast and crew of last year's Annie?! – so many have relocated... **Allan Hunter, Nicki Molloy, Nicole Ste Croix, Gretchen Gray and Derek Demarco**. We wish you all good luck in your new homes. *Children of Eden* by Stagecoach productions boasts many Actorsingers: **Judy Hayward, Tina Cassidy, Bob Frasca, Adam Harding, Tony Breen, Kathleen Goreham, Martha Holland, Mollie Hayward, Amy Agostino, Lauren Friedman, Jen Sassak, Natasha Rodriguez and Lizzie Krahenbuhl**. **Amy Agostino** and **Lauren Friedman** are also doing *Wit* with the Milford Players. Glad to report that **Josh Friedman** is doing great and is back to work. Get well wishes to **Hayleigh Scott**, recovering from a critical medical issue at Boston Children's Hospital. **Dan Merriman** and **Shawn Koczarski** performed in *Annie* with The Manchester Community Players. Congratulations to **Nathan Schwartzberg** who won the Milford Pumpkin Talent show with his original composition "New York City". Down in Winchester, MA, **Allan Hunter** was in *Deathtrap* and is performing in *The Fantasticks*. **Becky Rush** is Directing *Willy Wonka Jr.* for the Majestic Theater in Manchester. She's been a busy girl. She was selected as a World Language Teacher of the Year for the State of NH! In addition, she was in *Godspell* with the Winthrop Playmakers and appeared in *Nunsense Blvd* with Majestic Theater where she not only met author, Dan Goggin, but had dinner with him! The **Plummer** children, **Nicole** and **Cayden** are both in *The Sound of Music* in Milford. Peacock's *Shrek*, choreographed by **Val Psoinos Nelson**, boasts **Sean Vigeant, Sean Fitzgerald, Jakov Schwartzberg** and **Allison Angellis** and in their *Alice in Wonderland* is **Angela Demanche**. *Spamalot*, up in Concord, features **Cheri Birch, Chelsea Pettibone, Mike Ierardi, Eric Skoglund, Joe Vago** and **Paul Metzger** and is choreographed by **Beth Fenske**. Kudos to **Grace Conard** who received an honorable mention in elementary piano at the Granite State Competitions. New member **Sheree Owens** was in Not Your Mom's Musical Theater's salute to 1993 back in Sept. **Will McGregor** again Directed *City of Bones* at the Court St. Theater in Sept. and is trying to bring it to the New Orleans Fringe Festival. Congratulations to all the Actorsingers who were involved with the recent Voices of Hope production at North Shore. Too many to mention, but thank you for contributing to a great cause. **Bob Frasca** will serve as Executive Director of the NH Theatre Awards this year. Small world...Actorsingers Teen graduates **Alyssa Dumas** and **Brad Fernald** are in *Les Miz* at Plymouth State University. Heard from Life Member **Francesca Bosowski** who told me she not only sang with the group, The Golden Smoothies, but Directed it as well from 2000-2007. Congratulations to new member **Kate Gaudet** on her daughter's recent wedding and to **Judy Hayward** on daughter **Mollie's** recent marriage as well. Judy had a busy summer musically directing *The Fantasticks* at the Winni Playhouse in the Lakes region. **Sasha Kuftinec** sings with The Manchester Choral Society, husband **Mark Schwartzberg** is Javert in our *Les Miz*, son **Jakov** is in *Shrek* and other son, **Nathan**, is in *Children of Eden*. Talk about your theater family!!! Thank you to **Lauren Friedman, Joel Iwaskiewicz** and **Laura Prior** who represented The Actorsingers at the Nashua Library's 20 something night out. And speaking of Joel and Laura - Congratulations on your engagement! Happy Halloween and early Thanksgiving and Hannukah greetings to all!

Until next time ... news? call Kerry (603) 888-2837 or E-mail [ActingKer@aol.com](mailto:ActingKer@aol.com)

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### ACTORSINGERS Important Dates

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**December 12 – Show Mingle Social – 7 pm**

**December 15 – Auditions Jr. Show – *SCHOOL HOUSE ROCK, Jr.***

**January 25 – New Hampshire Theatre Awards**

**February 8, 9, 10 – Auditions *THE MUSIC MAN***

Remember to check our Web site [www.actorsingers.org](http://www.actorsingers.org) for detailed up to the minute information

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