



High Point Community Theatre
Season 48 - 2023-2024

**You're A Good Man,
CHARLIE
BROWN**



June 23-25, 2023

High Point Community Theatre
presents

YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN

Based on The Comic Strip "Peanuts" by Charles M. Schulz
Book, Music and Lyrics by Clark Gesner
Additional Dialogue by Michael Mayer
Additional Music by Andrew Lippa

Original Direction for this version of "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" by Michael Mayer
Originally Produced in New York by Arthur Whitelaw and Gene Persson

DirectorMatt Lowe
Music Director.....Chris Tilley
Choreographer/Stage ManagerKristi Wirth
Assistant Stage ManagerSofia Schnaith-Ivan
Set Design/Build..... Robert Gallazzi, Matt Lowe, Kelly Weston
Costumes.....Eric Gagliardo
Lighting Designer.....Lovett Lighting - Latrice Negron
Lighting OperatorDylan Lowe
Projections Operator.....Jenni Pirkey
Photography.....Brad McMillan
Playbill & Graphic Design..... Mike Lasley
PublicityCourtney Lowe
Crew Graham Harrington, Chris Hughes, Bill Pirkey, Maria Schnaith-Ivan
Special Guest Rabbit..... Callie Weston

Special Thanks to Amy Higgins & Elizabeth Helsabeck

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The Cast

Charlie Brown.....Wilson Mericle
Linus.....Oliver Helsabeck
SallyCourtney Lowe
Schroeder.....Mike Lasley
SnoopyLinnea Bethany Coon
Lucy.....Kristina Railsback



Musical Numbers

Act One

<i>You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown</i>	Company
<i>Schroeder</i>	Lucy
<i>Snoopy</i>	Snoopy
<i>My Blanket and Me</i>	Linus, Company
<i>The Kite</i>	Charlie Brown
<i>The Doctor Is In</i>	Lucy, Charlie Brown
<i>Beethoven Day</i>	Schroeder, Company
<i>Rabbit Chasing</i>	Sally, Snoopy
<i>Book Report</i>	Company

There will be one 15-minute intermission

Act Two

<i>The Red Baron</i>	Snoopy
<i>My New Philosophy</i>	Sally, Schroeder
<i>The Baseball Game</i>	Charlie Brown, Company
<i>Glee Club Rehearsal</i>	Company
<i>Little Known Facts</i>	Lucy, Linus, Charlie Brown
<i>Suppertime</i>	Snoopy
<i>Happiness</i>	Company



About the Production Team



Matt Lowe (Director/Set Design & Build) is proud to be a Board Member and part of High Point Community Theatre for over a decade. When he is not designing or building HPCT's sets, Matt can usually be found with a paint brush in his hands. He loves creating and building the sets, props and backgrounds of each show to bring them to life. This is Matt's sixth time directing an HPCT show and he would like to thank his fellow Board Members, performers and his family for their talent, love and support.



Chris Tilley (Music Director) is a freelance musician. His professional theatre credits include *Man of La Mancha* (Gallery Players, Brooklyn), *Into the Woods*, and *Big River* (Mill Mountain Theatre), *Tell Me on a Sunday* (Alloy Theater NYC), and others. For three years, he was an orchestrator for Broadway Backwards (Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS). Chris is a playwright, lyricist, and composer. His shows *Giants Dance* and *Bottom's Dream* have been produced as part of the Greensboro Fringe Festival.



Kristi Wirth (Choreographer/Stage Manager) is very excited to work with this amazing cast to bring the story of Matilda to life. She has been part of the HPCT board since 2016 and considers HPCT as her second family. She has been in over 40 productions either onstage or as a choreographer or a stage manager. She also is part of HPCT's the Troupe creative team and can't wait til august to start working with that group again.



Sofia Schanith-Ivan (Assistant Stage Manager) is a junior at Bishop McGuiness High School. She has performed in every school production, as well as several musicals in local theater groups. Sofia has been involved with High Point Community Theatre since the summer of 2022, helping backstage as part of tech and with costumes. She's very grateful for the board for giving her this wonderful opportunity!



Eric Gagliardo (Costumes) got his sewing abilities from his grandmother and mother. He loves the joy that the costumes bring the cast. Eric became involved with HPCT when his niece began auditioning along with his nephew. Before his creations showed up on stage he found his happiness sewing outfits for friends and family. He is delighted to share his love of costuming with HPCT. Eric actively serves on the HPCT Board of Directors.

About the Cast



Linnea Bethany Coon (Snoopy) has been doing theater for over 23 years. Some of her favorite roles include Ms. Pennywise in *Urinetown*, Mrs Wormwood in *Matilda*, Sister Mary Robert in *Sister Act*, Jo in *Little Women the Musical*, Vivienne and Paulette in *Legally Blonde the Musical*. When Linnea is not on stage, she is a 7th grade SS teacher at Turrentine Middle School. She would thank all of her family and friends who support her in all the crazy things she does! Break a Leg cast and crew!



Oliver Helsabeck (Linus) is positively and unequivocally thrilled to be playing the precocious and blanket-devoted Linus VanPelt. Favorite roles include Bob Cratchit and Mr. Fezziwig in *A Christmas Carol: the Musical*, Sir Bedevere in *Monty Python's Spamalot*, Noah in *Children of Eden*, and Archie Craven in *The Secret Garden*. When he's not writing lengthy book reports on Peter Rabbit, he is the Campus Minister and Director of the Winston-Salem Wesley Foundation. Much love and happiness to his fellow HPCT Board members and friends for being a part of this sweet show!



Mike Lasley (Schroeder) has a bachelor's, master's, and doctorate in music from UNCG and teaches at NCA&T State University. He currently serves as Vice President on the HPCT Board of Directors. He has music directed over 40 productions in the Triad over the past 12 years. Favorite roles include Shrek (*Shrek*), Sylvia St. Croix (*Ruthless!*), Mr. Wormwood (*Matilda*), Lawrence Jameson (*Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*), Bud (*Bridges of Madison County*), and the star of his middle school play, Wilmer (*School for Nerds*). All the love to WM!!!



Courtney Lowe (Sally) is tickled pink to be sharing the stage with some of her best friends and bringing sweet and sassy Sally Brown to life in this heartwarming show! She has appeared in hundreds of commercials, films, and theatrical productions along the East Coast. Some of Courtney's favorite HPCT roles include Mrs. Wormwood in *Matilda*, Marie in *Cinderella*, Judy Denmark in *Ruthless*, Diana in *Next to Normal*, Tanya in *Mamma Mia!*, and The Ghost of Christmas Past in *A Christmas Carol: The Musical* (2015-2022). Courtney owns Courtney's Voice & Piano Studio and can often be found directing and music directing here in the Triad. Courtney serves as the President of HPCT and sits on the Executive Board of the High Point Arts Council.



Wilson Mericle (Charlie Brown) is excited to be back on the HPCT stage for *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown!* Favorite roles include Dr. Fine/Dr. Madden in *Next to Normal*, Emmett in *Legally Blonde: The Musical*, Young Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol: The Musical*, Cliff in *Cabaret*, Lita Encore in *Ruthless*, Jean-Michel in *Rogers + Hammerstein's Cinderella*, and Seymour in *Little Shop of Horrors!* Wilson also serves as Treasurer of HPCT. Enjoy the show!!! All my love to ML!!



Kristina Railsback (Lucy) is delighted to be playing the role of the super-crabby Lucy. Other previous favorite roles include Mrs. Cratchit in *A Christmas Carol: The Musical*, Mrs. Brill in *Mary Poppins*, Rose in *The Secret Garden*, and Mrs. Enysford-Hill in *My Fair Lady*. When not on stage, she teaches literature to middle schoolers, ESOL to adults, and also enjoys working as a director/music director for youth productions. Kristina serves as secretary on the HPCT Board of Directors.

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From the HPCT Board of Directors:

We would like to thank you for attending today's performance and hope you are as delighted as we are by what our community theatre has come together to create.

As part of our community, we would like to invite YOU to get involved. We are always looking for fresh faces and willing hands to keep this volunteer organization producing quality productions each year. There is much to do! If your time is short, you can also become involved by donating or advertising with us.

Please contact us if you have ideas or questions about how you can become part of the HPCT family! We look forward to meeting you!



48 Years of HPCT History

1976-1977: 1st Season

Of Thee I Sing
The Little Foxes
My Three Angels

1977-1978: 2nd Season

Little Mary Sunshine
You Can't Take It With You
*A Funny Thing Happened
on the Way to the Forum*

1978-1979: 3rd Season

Oklahoma!
Diary of Anne Frank
Cactus Flower

1979-1980: 4th Season

The Unsinkable Molly Brown
Ten Little Indians
Pippin

1980-1981: 5th Season

George M
Arsenic and Old Lace
Fiddler on the Roof

1981-1982: 6th Season

Come Blow Your Horn
L'il Abner
Death Takes a Holiday

1982-1983: 7th Season

Grease
The Odd Couple
The Sound of Music

1983-1984: 8th Season

Plaza Suite
Applause
*You're a Good Man,
Charlie Brown*

1984-1985: 9th Season

On Golden Pond
Shenandoah
The Night of January 16th

1985-1986: 10th Season

Bus Stop
West Side Story
The 1940s Radio Hour

1986-1987: 11th Season

Gypsy
Camelot
The Mouse Trap

1987-1988: 12th Season

The Music Man
The King and I
Crimes of the Heart

1988-1989: 13th Season

Annie
My Fair Lady
Dracula

1989-1990: 14th Season

Kiss Me Kate
South Pacific
The Lion in Winter

1990-1991: 15th Season

Peter Pan
A Chorus Line
The Miracle Worker

1991-1992: 16th Season

Guys and Dolls
Sweeney Todd
Inherit the World

1992-1993: 17th Season

Oklahoma!
Oliver!
Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

1993-1994: 18th Season

Fiddler on the Roof
The Pirates of Penzance
Steel Magnolias

1994-1995: 19th Season

Godspell
Barnum
Wait Until Dark

1995-1996: 20th Season

The Sound of Music
West Side Story
To Kill a Mockingbird

1996-1997: 21st Season

Big River
Cinderella
Cheaper By the Dozen

1997-1998: 22nd Season

Camelot
Jesus Christ Superstar
Our Town

1998-1999: 23rd Season

*Joseph and the Amazing
Technicolor Dreamcoat*
My Fair Lady
Diary of Anne Frank

1999-2000: 24th Season

Grease
The King & I
Driving Miss Daisy

2000-2001: 25th Season

Peter Pan
Man of La Mancha
Children of Eden

2001-2002: 26th Season

Oliver!
The Secret Garden
The Glass Menagerie

2002-2003: 27th Season

Bye-Bye Birdie
Godspell
The Fantasticks

2003-2004: 28th Season

A Chorus Line
South Pacific
Story Theatre

2004-2005: 29th Season

Annie
Into the Woods
Steel Magnolias

2005-2006: 30th Season

Anything Goes
The Music Man
You Can't Take It With You

2006-2007: 31st Season

Once Upon a Mattress
*The Man Who Came to
Dinner*
Footloose

2007-2008: 32nd Season

Fiddler on the Roof
Guys and Dolls
Little Shop of Horrors

2008-2009: 33rd Season

Smoke on the Mountain
The Producers
The Sound of Music

2009-2010: 34rd Season

*Joseph and the Amazing
Technicolor Dreamcoat*
Seussical the Musical
Celebrate HPCT: The Show

2010-2011: 35th Season

42nd Street
We Three Kings
Sanders Family Christmas
Bram Stoker's Dracula

2011-2012: 36th Season

Plaza Suite
Miracle on 34th Street
Oliver!
Jungle Book Kids

2012-2013: 37th Season

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Little Women
Aesop's Fables
Annie
Aristocrat Kids

2013-2014: 38th Season

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
*The Best Christmas Pageant
Ever*
Hans Christian Andersen Tales
Cinderella
Seussical Jr.
Our Town
We Are Monsters
Disney's Camp Rock

2014-2015: 39th Season

Young Frankenstein
*The Best Christmas Pageant
Ever*
Oklahoma!
Vanished: The First Colony
Steel Magnolias
Musicville
Alice in Wonderland Jr.

2015-2016: 40th Season

The Addams Family
Babes in Toyland (Youth Stage)
A Christmas Carol: the Musical
Dixie Swim Club
Godspell Jr. (Youth Stage)
Mary Poppins
Peter Pan Jr. (Show Camp)
Harvey (Teen Thespians)

2016-2017: 41st Season

Sweeney Todd
Shrek the Musical Jr. (Youth Stage)
A Christmas Carol: the Musical (2nd annual)
The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee
Tut, Tut! (Youth Stage)
Beauty and the Beast
Willy Wonka Jr. (Show Camp)
Bonnie and Clyde (Teen Thespians)

2017-2018: 42nd Season

My Fair Lady
Elf Jr. (Youth Stage)
A Christmas Carol: The Musical (3rd annual)
Next to Normal
Disney's Lion King Jr. (Youth Stage)
Legally Blonde
Mulan Jr. (Show Camp)
The Drowsy Chaperone (Teen Thespians)

2018-2019: 43rd Season

Big Fish
Mary Poppins Jr. (Youth)
A Christmas Carol: The Musical (4th annual)
Dirty Rotten Scoundrels
Into the Woods Jr. (Youth)
Aida
High School Musical (Show Camp)
Xanadu (Teen Thespians)

2019-2020: 44nd Season

Mamma Mia!
James and the Giant Peach Jr. (Youth)
A Christmas Carol: The Musical (5th annual)
Cabaret
A Midsummer Night's Dream (Youth)
Matilda: The Musical

2020-2021: 45th Season

The Show Must Go Online
A Christmas Carol Celebration

2021-2022: 46th Season

Monty Python's Spamalot
A Christmas Carol: The Musical
Ruthless!
The Ever After (Youth)
Roger + Hammerstein's Cinderella
Godspell Jr. (Teen Thespians)

2022-2023: 47th Season

Little Shop of Horrors
Disney's Descendants: The Musical (Youth)
A Christmas Carol: The Musical
Nunsense
Roald Dahl's Matilda: The Musical

Flex Pass Season 48 2023-2024



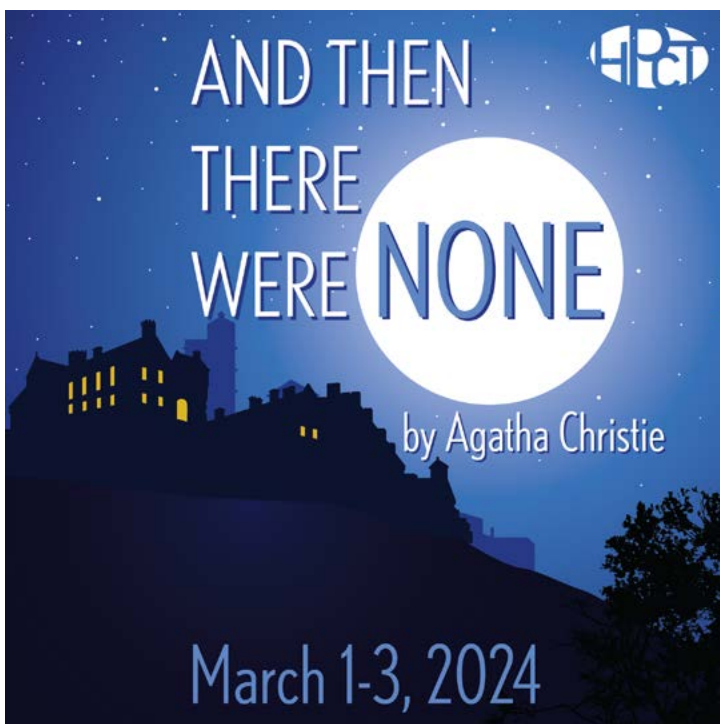
9 to 5
the musical
what a way to make a livin'
October 6-8, 2023

The poster features a vibrant yellow and orange background with a bright sunburst effect. The number '9' is filled with purple and blue dots, 't' is a white block letter, and '5' is filled with green and yellow dots. A silver alarm clock is positioned between the 't' and '5'. The Flex Pass logo is in the top right corner.



A Christmas Carol
The Musical
Bah Humbug!
December 8-10, 2023

The poster has a blue and white winter theme with snowflakes and a cityscape background. A black top hat with a red holly sprig is the central focus. The Flex Pass logo is in the top right corner.



AND THEN
THERE
WERE NONE
by Agatha Christie
March 1-3, 2024

The poster features a dark blue night sky with a white full moon and a silhouette of a large building with lit windows. The Flex Pass logo is in the top right corner.



Rodgers & Hammerstein's
The Sound
of Music
MAY 3-5, 2024

The poster shows a scenic view of a green valley with rolling hills and mountains under a blue sky with clouds. The Flex Pass logo is in the top right corner.

Additional shows next season

**You're A Good Man,
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BROWN**

June 23-25, 2023

Disney
**Winnie
the
Pooh** KIDS

July 21-23, 2023

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**FINDING
NEMO** JR.

August 4-6, 2023

MEAN GIRLS JR

**BURN
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November 3-5, 2023

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