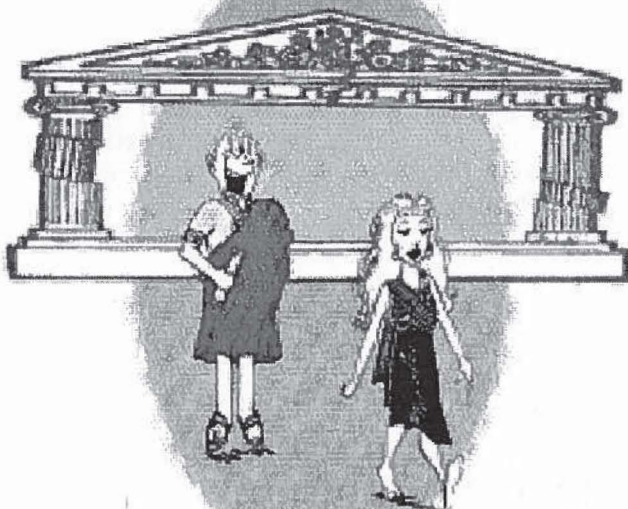


Front Row Centre Players

Proudly presents

A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum

MUSIC & LYRICS by Stephen Sondheim
BOOK by Burt Shevelove & Larry Gelbart
DIRECTOR - Bill Torrie **PRODUCER** - Leanne Brokke & Bill Torrie
MUSICAL DIRECTOR - Patricia Barnes
CHOREOGRAPHY - Sandra Fortes



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About the Company

Front Row Centre Players Society, Calgary's premiere community musical theatre group, is a charitable organization dedicated to making musical theatre experiences available to as many people as possible - affording an outlet for creative expression on stage and behind the scenes. Our auditions are always open to the public, announced through Calgary's free media. Everyone associated with the company is a volunteer. Our only pre-requisite for participation is ENTHUSIASM!

Front Row Centre Players developed in the spring of 1987 from the St. Giles Presbyterian Church Choir, who presented a version of "Godspell". Success created a desire to formalize the company and FRC was born. The first season included a fundraising show and a production of "Jesus Christ Superstar". Since then, Calgary has been entertained by our numerous comedy review shows and major musicals including: "Chicago"; "Guys and Dolls"; "The Sound of Music"; "Fiddler on the Roof" and "The Music Man". In order to perform some different types of shows that do not fall under our mandate, FRC Hot was created, with "The Rocky Horror Show" being our premiere production in the Summer of 2000.

You, too, can be a part of FRC's growing future. Whether you are an aspiring thespian, an accountant who wants to do the books, a handyperson who can construct sets or just someone with an itch to help others in a creative way, but hasn't found the right niche, we openly invite you into our fold. For more information, call our pager at 234-2611 and leave a message, or e-mail us at frontrow@frontrowcentre.ca and someone will get back to you.

Membership

You can have even more fun by becoming a member of the Front Row Centre Players Society. Membership is a steal of a deal at only \$10 per person. For this reasonable price you can get membership voting status (for those 16 years of age and older), our quarterly Spotlight Newsletter filled with tidbits about our activities and the local community theatre scene, and an FRC lapel pin. Sound too good to pass up? Simply complete this form and send it along with a cheque or money order payable to "Front Row Centre Players Society".

Name: _____
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Send this form and payment to:

Front Row Centre Players Society,
#41, 6103 Madigan Drive NE Calgary, AB T2A 5K9

Or you can leave it with our box office staff. You are not required to volunteer and all donations are eligible to receive a tax receipt.

Front Row Centre Players Presents
"A Funny Thing Happened On the Way to the Forum"
(Based on the Plays of Plautus)

Book by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart
Music & Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim

A Character of a Cast:

(In order of Appearance)

Pseudolus
Proteans

Philia
Hero
Senex
Domina
Hysterium
Marcus Lycus
Tintinabula
Panacea
Geminae

Vibrata
Gymnasia
Erronius
Miles Gloriosus

Jeremy Walker
Blair Gallant
Marc Moreau
Murray Schmidt
Colleen Taylor
Joe White
Jeremy McKenzie
Lynn Cousineau
Alan Walsh
Gene Wu
Jaclyn Dang
Beckie Keith
Amy Milany
Christina Riches
Sandra Fortes
Julie Turner
Bill Baksa
Doug Chambers

The Band:

Sylvia Jones
Sonia Poon
Scott Munro
David Ramsey
Dawn Comtisch

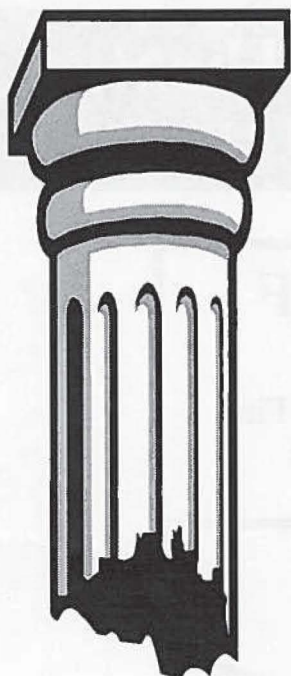
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Bass
Percussion & Toys
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(March 30 & 31 Performances)

****** There will be a 15-minute intermission ******

Production Crew:

Producers	Leanne Brekke & Bill Torrie
Director	Bill Torrie
Musical Director	Patrice Barnes
Choreographer	Sandra Fortes
Stage Manager	Leanne Brekke
Assistant Stage Manager	Courtney French
Lighting & Audio Operator	David Cruickshank
Set Design	Bill Torrie & Bill Brown
Costume Design & Construction	Donna Barnfield
Prop Design & Construction	Gerry Worsley
Hair & Make up	Gerry Worsley
Audio Design & Set up	David Cruickshank
Lighting Set up	Pat Worsley
Lighting Design	Marc Moreau
Scenic Painting	George Palmer
Poster Design	Barbara Shaw-Ings
Program	Garner Lewis
Photography	Sean Anderson
	Ken Meisner
Painting Crew	Barbara Shaw-Ings
	Bill Torrie
	Susan Jane Horlock
	Courtney French
	Gerry Worsley
	Colleen Taylor
	John Ings
Set Up & Strike Crew	The Cast & Crew
	Martin Brock
	Tim Symancyk
	Joe Labrenz
	Sean Anderson
	Kevin Currie
Front of House Managers	Val Rielly
	Rick Dent

Set Construction by "Sets & Stuff" -Bill Brown
Erronius's House & Bandstand supplied by
StoryBook Theatre
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and everyone else who made this production possible.

Survey / Questionnaire

Please give us your feedback on our production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum" and be entered in a draw to win **Two Free Tickets** to any Front Row Centre Show next season.

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****FRC Hot** Cabaret**

Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim; Music by Jule Styne

Directed by Joey Sayer

Willkommen! Bienvenue! Welcome to the Kit Kat Klub, circa 1931, as you join Cliff Bradshaw in his encounters with the toast of Mayfair, Sally Bowles, and their rather unique experiences in the city of Berlin. What good is sitting alone in your room? Come to the Cabaret!

Gypsy

Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim; Music by Jule Styne

Directed by Sean Anderson

Gypsy is based on the memoirs of Gypsy Rose Lee, a famous burlesque stripper. The musical focuses on her overbearing mother, Rose, the quintessential stage mother, as she pushes Gypsy (then known as Louise) and her sister June into life on the vaudeville circuit, forever trying to break into the big time.

Stephen Sondheim's lyrics--composed in advance of Jule Styne's infectious music--provide a tight structure and natural language to the 1959 score. This musical, which produced more than its share of Broadway standards, including "Everything's Coming Up Roses," "Small World," "Some People," "If Momma Was Married," "Together Wherever We Go," and the climactic "Rose's Turn."

South Pacific

Music by Richard Rodgers; Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II

Directed by Brian Holiday

Set in an island paradise during World War II, two parallel love stories are threatened by the dangers of prejudice and war. Nellie, a spunky nurse from Arkansas, falls in love with a mature French planter, Emile. Nellie learns that the mother of his children was an island native and, unable to turn her back on the prejudices with which she was raised, refuses Emile's proposal of marriage. Meanwhile, the strapping Lt. Joe Cable denies himself the fulfillment of a future with an innocent Tonkinese girl with whom he's fallen in love out of the same fears that haunt Nellie. When Emile is recruited to accompany Joe on a dangerous mission that claims Joe's life, Nellie realizes that life is too short not to seize her own chance for happiness, thus confronting and conquering her prejudices.

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