



OUR STORY

Meadow Brook Theatre has grown into Michigan’s largest producing professional theatre. For 57 years, MBT has distinguished itself as one of the finest producing regional theatres in the nation. Steeped in a long tradition of mounting top quality productions and building partnerships with the community, Meadow Brook Theatre continues to be a pillar of arts and culture for Oakland County and surrounding areas.

Due to state funding cuts, the Oakland University Board of Trustees was faced with a difficult decision to end its stewardship of MBT and in June of 2003 the theatre was forced to either close its doors, or become its own 501(c)3 nonprofit entity. Through the efforts of dedicated theatre staff, patrons, and donors, Meadow Brook Theatre has risen above that difficult time and continues to receive regional and national recognition for its work.

In its 52nd season, Meadow Brook Theatre had welcomed a Pre-Broadway World Premiere to its stage, as well as producing America’s longest-running play. Both were met with critical acclaim and resulted in the 2017-2018 season setting ticket sale records for MBT.



What is a RENT ANGEL?

As a rent angel, your contribution of \$2500.00 subsidizes one week of Meadow Brook Theatre’s lease with Oakland University. Our space includes the box office and theatre areas that you see, but also set, costume, and talent areas not often seen by patrons. As a rent angel you help ensure that MBT can continue to enrich Southeast Michigan by bringing arts and culture to the Community

Sponsor the week of a special anniversary, a loved one’s birthday or the week you will be seeing one of MBT’s fine productions and receive special recognition.

What are the BENEFITS?

Recognition in the curtain speech given before each performance of the sponsored week.

Recognition in Meadow Brook Theatre’s Annual Report and donor listings.

Recognition in play programs for the entire season.

Special recognition in MBT lobby.

Eight complimentary tickets for your sponsored production.

All donations to MBT are tax deductible.

BECOME A RENT ANGEL

1. Write your check for \$2500.00 to Meadow Brook Theatre.

(Please make a check out for \$1250.00 if you would like to be matched up with another angel.)

2. Complete the order form.

Name/s _____
(as you would like it to appear)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Check enclosed

Charge to my: Visa MC

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

3. Mail to:

Meadow Brook Theatre
Rent Angel Program
Wilson Hall, Room 207
378 Meadow Brook Road
Rochester, MI 48309-4454

If you would like to request a particular week or show, call us at 248-370-3316 for a list of available weeks.

For More Information:

Call: 248-370-3316

E-Mail: groupsales.mbt@gmail.com

Or visit our website: www.mbttheatre.com



Choose a **SHOW**
Pick your **WEEK**

BE RECOGNIZED
FOR YOUR GENEROUS
CONTRIBUTION

NEW MUSICAL



A LITTLE MORE ALIVE

By Nick Blaemire

February 14 - March 10, 2024

In this heartfelt and original folk-pop musical, two estranged brothers reunite at their childhood home after their mother's funeral. An unexpected revelation distorts every memory they have, and as they uncover secrets that had been hiding in plain sight their whole lives, Nate and Jeremy find that no one is exempt from the gray area between right and wrong.

*Michigan Premiere

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THEATRE**
Michigan's Answer to Broadway

2023-2024 SEASON

RENT ANGEL

WEEKLY SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM



NEW MYSTERY



KEN LUDWIG'S MORIARTY

A New Sherlock Holmes Adventure

By Ken Ludwig

October 4 - October 29, 2023

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson are back! An investigation into the Bohemian king's stolen letters cascades into an international mystery filled with spies, blackmail, and intrigue. Holmes and Watson join forces with American actress Irene Adler to take down cunning criminal mastermind Professor Moriarty. This brand new adventure has danger—and laughter!—around every corner.

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NEW COMEDY

NATIVE GARDENS

By Karen Zacarias

March 20 - April 14, 2024

Pablo, a high-powered lawyer, and doctoral candidate Tania, his very pregnant wife, are realizing the American dream when they purchase a house next door to community stalwarts Virginia and Frank. But a disagreement over a long-standing fence line soon spirals into an all-out war of taste, class, privilege, and entitlement. The hilarious results guarantee no one comes out smelling like a rose.

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HOLIDAY CLASSIC

A Christmas Carol

By Charles Dickens

Adaptation and Original Staging
By Charles Nolte

November 17 - December 24, 2023



Everyone's favorite holiday classic captivates audiences for the 41st year with the tale of a mean-spirited miser and the ghosts that haunt him.

MUSICAL REVUE



ROUTE 66

Written and Created by Roger Bean
Musical Arrangements by Brian Baker

April 24 - May 19, 2024

Take a dollop of Grease, mix in some Pump Boys and Dinettes, and add a generous dose of Forever Plaid and you've got the high-octane fun of Route 66! This exciting musical revue features 34 of the greatest 'Rock 'n' Road' hits of the 20th century. Songs include "Dead Man's Curve," "King of the Road," "Little GTO," "Fun, Fun, Fun," and many more!

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CLASSIC COMEDY



Father of the Bride

By Caroline Francke

January 10 - February 4, 2024

Poor Mr. Banks! His jacket is too tight, he can't get a cocktail, and he's footing the bill...He's the father of the bride. Stanley Banks is just your ordinary suburban dad. He's the kind of guy who believes that weddings are simple affairs in which two people get married. But when daddy's little girl announces her engagement, Mr. Banks feels like his life has been turned upside down.

NEW MUSICAL

Ella, First Lady of Song

Written and Directed by Lee Summers
Conceived by Maurice Hines

May 29 - June 23, 2024

The story of Ella Fitzgerald truly challenges the age-old saying "The show must go on." This jazz musical covers Fitzgerald's hardscrabble childhood to her enduring legacy in the music world and beyond. Songs include classics such as "Sweet Georgia Brown," "A Tisket-A-Tasket," and "It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)."

STARRING DETROIT NATIVE, FREDA PAYNE!

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