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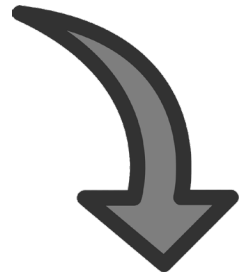
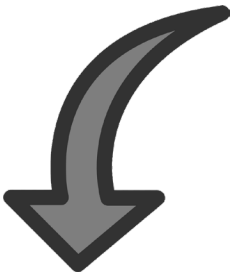
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Season 60

2023-24



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Kelli Simons

Assistant Director: Julie VanHaitsma

Musical Director: Katie Maynard

Pit Orchestra Director: Mike Filkins

Choreographer: Ashley Alto

Additional Choreo (I Put My Hand In): Melissa Kendall

Stage Manager: Heather Brannam

Assistant Stage Manager: Tanis Felsk

Stage Crew: Ashley Alto, Catie Carey, & Brie Leesch

Producer/Marketing Lead: Ami Peltier

Set Design: Derek Sengelaub, Glen Ruczynski, & Julie VanHaitsma

Additional Set Piece: Matt Hamacher

Sound: Dan Wilson

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Costume Design: Kelli Simons & Julie VanHaitsma

Props: Barb Sicoli

Assistant to the Directors: Leslie Benson

CAST

Dolly Gallagher Levi:	Sally Goggin
Horace Vandergelder:	Jon Berry
Cornelius Hackl:	Joe Baumann
Barnaby Tucker:	Jay Simon
Irene Molloy:	Jeannie Delgado
Minnie Fay:	Rebecca Krannitz
Ambrose Kemper:	Evan Johnson
Ermengarde:	Sara Peltier
Ernestina Money:	Kelly Johnson
Rudolph Reisenweber:	Brandon Peltier
Judge:	Don Harris
Mrs. Rose:	Mary Kay Zagata

FEATURED DANCERS

Ashley Alto
Hailey Alto
Hayley Freeman
Jacob Johnson
Jenni Kirt
Mark Simons
Remus Throop

CHORUS/ENSEMBLE

Terry Bartrand
Rose Clark
Ann Clous
Jessica Geeseman
Becca Keesler
Ami Peltier

PIT ORCHESTRA

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MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

- Opening Act One *Chorus*
I Put My Hand In *Dolly*
It Takes a Woman *Horace, Cornelius, Barnaby,*
Male Chorus
Put On Your Sunday Clothes *Cornelius, Barnaby,*
Dolly, Ermengarde,
Ambrose, Chorus
Ribbons Down My Back *Mrs. Molloy*
Motherhood March *Dolly, Mrs. Molloy, Minnie*
Dancing *Dolly, Cornelius, Barnaby,*
Mrs. Molloy, Minnie
Before The Parade Passes By *Dolly, Chorus*
Finale Act One *Dolly*

ACT II

- Elegance *Mrs. Molloy, Minnie,*
Cornelius, Barnaby
Waiters' Galop *Orchestra*
Hello, Dolly *Dolly, Chorus*
Polka *Orchestra*
It Only Takes a Moment *Cornelius*
It Only Takes a Moment, Part II *Mrs. Molloy, Cornelius,*
Chorus
So Long, Dearie *Dolly*
Finale Ultimo *Company*

A Note from the Director

Welcome to the Cadillac Footliters' presentation of *Hello, Dolly!*, where romance, mischief, and a whole lot of delight collide on stage.

First and foremost, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to our incredible directing team, Julie Van Haitsma, Katie Maynard, and Ashley Alto, in her debut as choreographer for a full production! Their creativity and dedication brought this classic to life in a whole new, colorful way. To the cast, your talent and enthusiasm have infused every scene with magic, and I couldn't be prouder of the work we've accomplished together.

As the Footliters celebrate our 60th season, we knew *Hello, Dolly!* was a perfect fit. It has a rich history dating back to its Broadway premiere in 1964 (60 years ago!) winning a record breaking 10 Tony Awards! With unforgettable music and timeless characters, it has remained a favorite of audiences for decades. And now, it's our turn to tell this beloved tale with fresh energy and excitement.

To our wonderful community, thank you for your ongoing support of the arts. Your enthusiasm fuels our passion and reminds us why we love what we do. So, sit back, relax, and get ready to be swept away by the irresistible charm of *Hello, Dolly!*

Kelli Simons

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Special Thanks!

- Michelle Carder, Carla Filkins, and Janine Rzepka for their help with Dolly's incredible costumes!
- Absolutely Fabulous Resale for their generous donation of dresses!

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CAST BIOS

Hailey Alto (Featured Dancer): Hailey is 15 and a sophomore at Cadillac High School. *Hello, Dolly!* is Hailey's 9th musical with Footliters but it is her 15th overall. In her free time you will find her dancing for she has danced at the Landing Dance Academy for 13 years. Hailey is currently a part of the Footliters next show, *Newsies!* She would like to encourage all of you to come see it July 25, 26, and 27 because it is going to be a great show!

Terry Bartrand (Chorus/Ensemble): Terry loves being a part of Footliters. She is on the worship team at her church. She sings, plays guitar, teaches painting and enjoys hiking. She has been in 5 musicals with the Footliters and can't wait til the next one.

Joe Baumann (Cornelius Hackl): Joe started acting at the age of ten and is a veteran of Mid-Michigan and Northern Michigan area stages. Today he reprises his 1996 role as Cornelius from his high school production of *Hello, Dolly!* and could not be more excited to remember that feeling of unbridled joy and extreme naivete that young Joe and young Cornelius shared all those years ago. Joe's favorite credits include Gomez in *Addams Family* (Footliters), Billy Flynn in *Chicago* (Old Town Playhouse), and Cinderella's Prince in *Into the Woods* (Riverwalk Theatre). Thank you for supporting the arts!

Jon Berry (Horace Vandergelder): Jon is excited to finish his second season of Footliters with a bang! After participating in shows such as *The 39 Steps*, *Matilda the Musical*, and *Our Town*, he is ready to take on the role of Horace Vandergelder and perform alongside a talented cast of fellow actors. Jon comes from a long background of vocal performance and music from the Grand Rapids area, and is blessed to have Footliters near his new home in LeRoy.

Rose Clark (Chorus/Ensemble): Rose Clark is a dark chocolate dependent life form who has been involved with Footliters since before she moved to Cadillac two years ago. She enjoys painting, music, photography, dancing, time with family and friends, singing and the camaraderie of this fun and talented group of people. She has been engaged with the Footliters and the Northern Lites Readers Theatre in a variety of roles and is looking forward to many more.

Ann Clous (Chorus/Ensemble): Ann has been in a few of the Footliters recent productions, including *Mamma Mia*, *Matilda*, *Our Town*, and helped out as Stage Manager in *Steel Magnolias* this fall. Ann enjoys being a part of Footliters as it's given her a great opportunity to be more involved in the local community and to meet some really great people along the way. Ann is excited to bring the joy of *Hello, Dolly!* to the Cadillac Community and hopes you enjoy the show!

Jeannie Delgado (Irene Molloy): Jeannie has been a member of Footliters since moving here in 2016 from San Jose, CA. A couple of her favorite roles have included Marian in *The Music Man* and Tanya in *Mamma Mia*. When not onstage she enjoys spending time with her 7 year old son, Simon, who she loves more than anyone in this world!

Hayley Freeman (Featured Dancer): Hayley is going into her senior year at Cadillac High School and loves to perform! Most recently, she played Ariel in Cadillac High School's production of *Footloose* but this is her 7th production overall. Hayley has also been dancing at the Landing Dance Academy for 9 years and is a part of their Collective. She is also a member of Cadillac High School's Honors Choir! She would like to thank her friends and family for all their support as well as the cast and directors for all the hard work they put into this show! Hayley is so excited to see this show come to life!

Jessica Geeseman (Chorus/Ensemble): Jessica has been involved in different singing groups in Cadillac for many years, including Cadillac Community Chorus and Cadillac Philharmonic Chorus. She's also been in her church choir since fourth grade. In high school she was in chorale. Jessica is currently taking online courses for genealogy at North Central College.

Sally Goggin (Dolly Gallagher Levi): Sally has been busy with Footliters since 1996. This season she has directed *Our Town*, performed as Ouiser in *Steel Magnolias* and now, a role from her bucket list, Dolly Levi. While living in Midland, she played the leads numerous shows, such as *Funny Girl*, *My Fair Lady* and *Taming of the Shrew*. She has also appeared in productions with OTP in Traverse City, including the title role in *Mame*.

Don Harris (Judge): Born and raised in Ohio, Don, a retired engineer, has lived in Cadillac since 1990. He holds degrees from Kettering University, Carnegie Mellon University, and Kendall College of Art and Design, none of which relate to music or theater. *Hello, Dolly!* is his first Footliters production. His only other recent theatrical experience was in last year's *Nutcracker* with the Landing Dance Collective.

Evan Johnson (Ambrose Kemper): Evan Johnson is from outer space! Just kidding, but he is playing the role of Ambrose Kemper, and is marking *Hello, Dolly!* as his 5th production with the Footliters guild.

Jacob Johnson (Featured Dancer): Jacob has been part of Footliters since 2021, with his first performance, *The Addams Family*, playing the role of Lucas Beineke. He has been in other performances including *Mamma Mia*, *Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind*, *Tony 'n Tina's Wedding*, and most recently, *Our Town*. Jacob is funny, creative, and loves dancing. And lastly, he hopes you enjoy this wonderful production!

Kelly Johnson (Ernestina Money): Kelly has been enjoying her time with the Footliters over the last year. She has been on stage for three shows and has loved each opportunity! Kelly is married to a gorgeous hunk and has three exceptional sons, one of which she has had the pleasure of sharing the stage with twice.

Becca Keesler (Chorus/Ensemble): Becca loves being involved in theater productions! She debuted in the ensemble of *Mamma Mia* and followed that with *Matilda the Musical*. Becca loves to sing and dance and Footliters provides a great creative outlet. She loves learning the show, and the camaraderie amongst the cast. Becca has also been involved with two Northern Lites Readers Theatre productions. She enjoys the behind the scenes aspects of a show as much as she enjoys performing.

Jenni Kirt (Featured Dancer): Jenni joined Cadillac Footliters in 2021 and has been involved with several productions since then. This will be her fourth time on stage and second musical. She would like to thank her children, Landon and Cameron, for their patience and support of their mom's love of theater. She hopes you sing and dance along with this amazing cast and thanks you for coming and supporting Cadillac Footliters!

Rebecca Krannitz (Minnie Fay): Rebecca's passion for music and arts has been a lifelong journey, from her elementary school days to her high school band and choir experiences. Originally from Grand Rapids, she moved to Cadillac in 2007 where she and her husband are raising their four children. Rebecca reconnected with her love for music and theatre through Footliters in 2017 in the musical *The Music Man* and has since appeared in multiple productions. After a two-year hiatus, she is back on stage with *Hello, Dolly!* and ecstatic to be included amongst the cast!

Ami Peltier (Chorus/Ensemble): Ami Peltier is delighted and more than a little terrified to be in the ensemble in *Hello, Dolly!* She would like to take this opportunity to thank/blame her good friend, Melissa Kendell, who said, "I always figure if it scares me, it's a sign I should do it." She has enjoyed spending the past few months with the talented directors and cast, especially her amazing husband, Brandon, and 2 of her children, Sara and Abbie.

Brandon Peliter (Rudolph Reisenweber): Brandon Peltier is thrilled to be celebrating his 10th year in Footliters playing Rudolph the waiter. He is incredibly proud to be in this show with 2 of his children and his amazing, multitalented wife, who should definitely start adding crinolines into her everyday wardrobe.

Sara Peltier (Ermengarde): Sara Peltier loves musical theatre and has been in the Cadillac Footliters since they were 8 years old. They have danced at The Landing Dance Academy since they were 3 years old and love singing in the choir at Cadillac High School, where they are a rising sophomore. They have enjoyed playing Ermengarde, the crying teenager who is way too young to get married.

Jay Simon (Barnaby Tucker): A 20-year transplant to Cadillac by way of southeast Michigan, Jay discovered the Footliters in 2017 and has been serving as Joe's shorter sidekick whenever the opportunity arises. He's grateful to his far, FAR better half Deb for her love and tolerance, and to you for supporting the arts in Cadillac.

Mark Simons (Featured Dancer): Mark Simons has been in Footliters for several years now as well as performing at Interlochen and in Philadelphia. Some of his recent productions include *Sweetwater*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, and *Puffs*. Mark is delighted to be a part of the cast even as a late addition to this wonderful show. He would like to thank his mother Kelli Simons for being such a phenomenal director.

Remus Throop (Featured Dancer): Keep your eyes peeled for this increasingly familiar face to Footliters, as Remus dances, hides, dashes, marches, and leaps across stage. He aims to serve up heaps of laughs and wonderment all at lightning fast speeds in *Hello, Dolly!*

Mary Kay Zagata (Chorus/Ensemble): Mary Kay is delighted to join the talented cast and crew of *Hello, Dolly!* She has been a part of Footliters for only one year, but has been involved in countless shows during her lifetime, including many college and community theatre productions. She is happily retired from a career of teaching high school English and Drama. Besides performing with Footliters, she is an active member of her church choir in Fife Lake and the Cadillac Area Chorus. She also enjoys reading, sewing, knitting, line dancing, and walking in nature with her husband and two dogs. Much thanks to Footliters, and especially to my husband Paul, our kids, their spouses, and our three grandchildren for encouraging my love of music and theatre.



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A Message From Our President, Joseph Baumann

Who would have thought? In 1964, when a group of community members wanted to get together to do some theatre, who would have thought that group would be alive and thriving SIXTY years later? Well, here we are. Honoring their legacy. Building our future.

And so it continues. Our fifth show of Season 60. 60 years engaging, enriching, and entertaining the Cadillac area. It hardly seems possible that we're still here doing what we love most after this many years.

And if a 60-year celebration wasn't enough, our Board of Directors recently bought a building for rehearsal, storage, and building, renewed our strategic vision, rebranded our visual and graphical identity, and scheduled a special season of shows that will knock your socks off. We hope you like it, because we can't do it without YOU.

As you will see in our special pre-show video this season, Footliters must honor where we came from in order to chart a path to our NEXT 60 years. And YOU are a key part of it. Join us. Audition for a show, share a talent, learn a new skill, find a new tribe.

Footliters' responsibility is simple - #engage new people in the arts, #enrich our community through balanced show offerings and charitable partnerships, and #entertain by producing quality that YOU want to see. Succeeding here is our only path to another 60 years.

Our first 60 years are worthy of celebration. Join us and be part of our NEXT 60 years.



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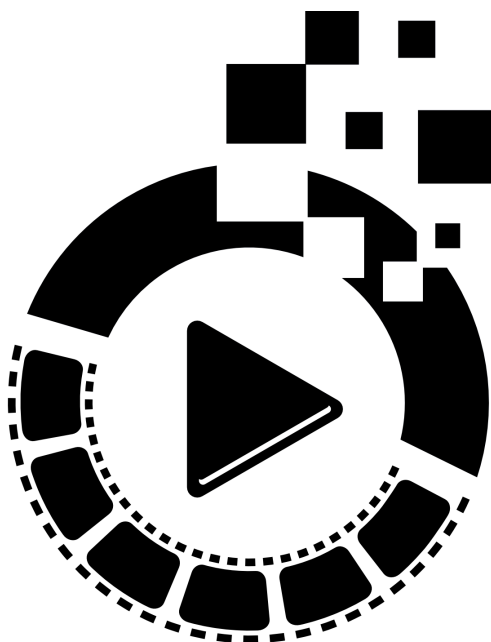
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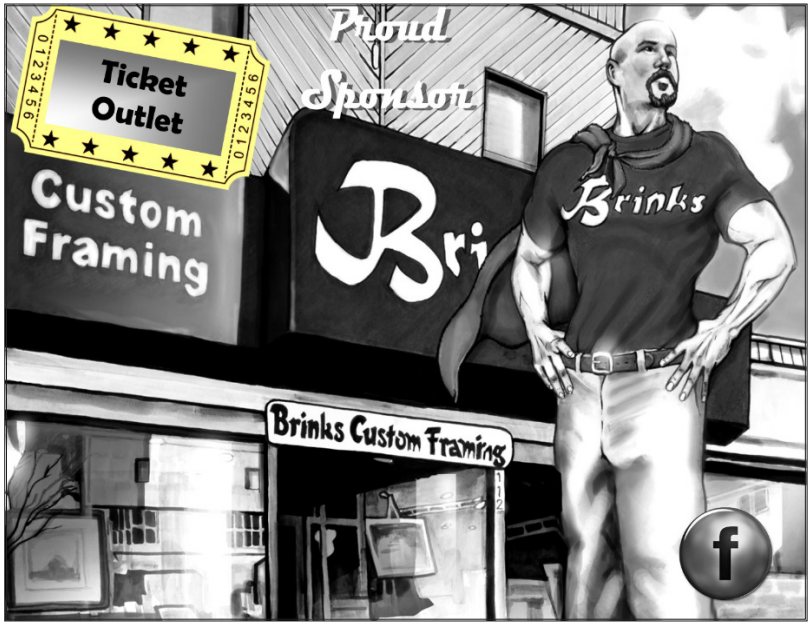
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