

EVERY CHRISTMAS STORY EVER TOLD

(and then some)

December 2 thru 18

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Instead of performing Charles Dickens' beloved holiday classic for the umpteenth time, three actors decide to perform every Christmas story ever told -- plus Christmas traditions from around the world, seasonal icons from ancient times to topical pop-culture, and every carol ever sung. A madcap romp through the holiday season!

CAST OF CHARACTERS: 3 Actors



2022 Season

Production Cast Information

OUR TENTH SEASON!

*Did you fill out your 2022 Production
Team Interest Form?*

Like so many other theaters and non-profits, Phoenix Stage Company struggled through 2020. We could not have made it without the support of all of you.

Moving through 2021 and into the next season, we are bruised and limping. We find ourselves in a vulnerable position, and we know that we are not alone in our situation.

When deciding on our 2022 season, and honestly we weren't 100% sure that there *would* be a 2022 season, we knew we had to take some chances.

In the past, we weren't afraid to "jump in" on difficult topics but lately we've become "easy" in our selections. We focused on sales and not on theater. We will not let that happen again.

Now, don't think that every show in the 2022 season is going to be ground shaking, change takes time. Our goal is to become more inclusive and to attract more directors and production staff into our family.

We know that we can count on your support. We also know that we cannot do this without you. We're here to listen and we'd love to hear your recommendations on shows and events.

VARNEY THE VAMPIRE or "The Feast of Blood"

October 15 thru 29

By Tim Kelly

This wild and clever spoof is based on a melodramatic novel attributed to Thomas Prest, the creator of *Sweeney Todd*. In 1900 weary vampire Sir Francis Varney shows up at an inn in Italy. He plans to visit a haunted grotto and ask forgiveness from a lost love whose ghost is doomed to roam the landscape wearing a thin veil over her face. Varney forgets his mission and proceeds to snarl and snap at everyone in sight, especially an English damsel. Varney is shot, stabbed with a wooden stake and hanged. Still he survives!

CAST OF CHARACTERS: 4 Men & 8 Woman

Sir Francis Varney (a vampire)

Gino (servant at the inn)

Carla (his young sister)

Signora Bell (English widow)

Inspector Balsadella (of the Italian police)

Flora Bannerworth (fragile English beauty)

Richard Dearborn (a landscape painter)

Jenny (Richard's cousin)

Inez-the-Gypsy-Girl (fortune teller)

Lady Cynthia Holland (a woman scorned)

AUDITIONS: August 7 & 8, 2022

Basilus King of Arcadia. A sexy, good ol' boy. A hothead, but not a despot. Blindly thinks Arcadia is doing great under his masculine rule, which will be sorely tested during the course of the show.

Gynecia Queen of Arcadia. Sexy, wise, beautiful. Like any longstanding spouse, knows how to get her way with her husband when push comes to shove.

Pamela Basilus and Gynecia's older daughter. Confident and obsessed with her appearance. Known to be the most beautiful bachelorette throughout Arcadia

Philoclea Basilus and Gynecia's younger daughter. Shy and a "good girl", she yearns to follow her heart rather than obey her father's orders.

Dametas The King's viceroy; father to Mopsa.

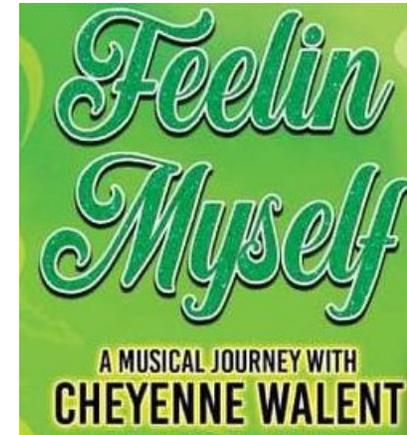
Mopsa Handmaiden to Pamela. Warm, skeptical. Growing up without a mother has made her wise beyond her years about everyone and everything, which is why she is the (sometime) narrator to the show.

Musidorus A young shepherd who courts after Philoclea.

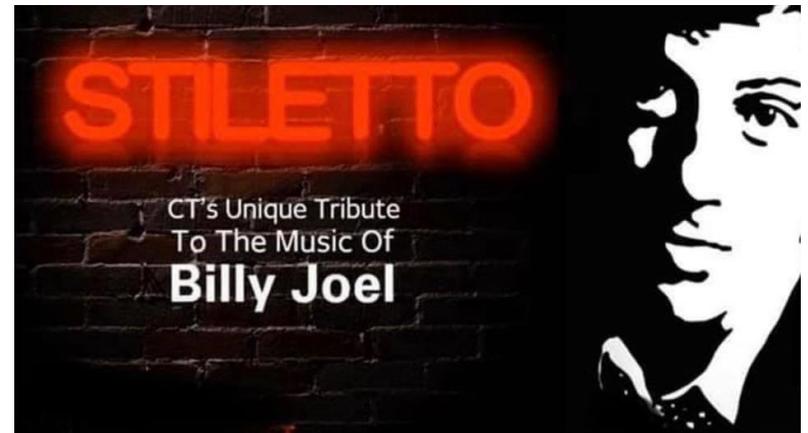
Pythio The Oracle; powerful, mysterious. Demanding. Great sense of humor--can see through everyone--they are the Oracle of Delphi, after all. Performers isn't limited to gender identity and ethnicity.

Ensemble Unique, charismatic individuals to inhabit the kingdom of Arcadia.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES



January 20 & 22
February 18 & 19



Saturday, February 26

ALIBIS

March 5 thru 19

By Peter Kennedy

Whodunit, howdunit. When famous actress Primavera Donna throws a party and winds up dead, it's up to the guests to figure out who and how, and why the hired help is so annoying. Shades of Sherlock Holmes, Agatha Christie, and Ten Little Indians. As the storm outside rages and the body count mounts, the guests must contend with interruptions, shocking revelations, tacky special effects, and the arrival of a mysterious visitor. Both the action and dialogue are fast-paced and the surprising conclusion leaves only one question: Who gets the movie rights? The cast includes a stuffy butler, a social butterfly, a playboy, a dotty chemist, an aristocrat of dubious origin, a nun who has taken a vow of silence, a part-time detective, a very French maid, and a mysterious stranger. A rapid-fire romp through the conventional drawing room mystery

CAST OF CHARACTERS: 4 Men & 5 Woman

Justin (The Butler)	Hope Leslie Trite
Sandy Lynxe	Doctor Jacqueline Hyde
Sir Tanley A. Fraude	Sister Bella Donna
Mr. E.S. Solved	Monique (The Maid)
The Stranger	

AUDITIONS: January 2 & 3, 2022

HEAD OVER HEELS - a musical

August 20—September 2

Songs by The Go Go's, Conceived and Original Book by Jeff Whitney, Adapted by James Magruder.
Based on "The Arcadia" by Sir Philip Sydney

HEAD OVER HEELS is the bold new musical comedy from the visionaries that rocked Broadway with Hedwig and the Angry Inch, Avenue Q and Spring Awakening. This laugh-out-loud love story is set to the music of the iconic 1980's all-female rock band The Go-Go's, including the hit songs, "We Got the Beat," "Our Lips Are Sealed," "Vacation," Belinda Carlisle's "Heaven is a Place on Earth" and "Mad About You."

A hilarious, exuberant celebration of love, HEAD OVER HEELS follows the escapades of a royal family on an outrageous journey to save their beloved kingdom from extinction—only to discover the key to their realm's survival lies within each of their own hearts.

5 Men, 3 Women plus Ensemble

*** cast list on next page**

AUDITIONS: May 15 & 16, 2022

ROMEO & JULIETTE

July 16-30

An age-old vendetta between two powerful families erupts into bloodshed. A group of masked Montagues risk further conflict by gatecrashing a Capulet party. A young lovesick Romeo Montague falls instantly in love with Juliet Capulet, who is due to marry her father's choice, the County Paris. With the help of Juliet's nurse, the women arrange for the couple to marry the next day, but Romeo's attempt to halt a street fight leads to the death of Juliet's own cousin, Tybalt, for which Romeo is banished.

CAST OF CHARACTERS 15 Men, 4 Women & 6-10 either gender

ESCALUS, Prince of Verona.	LADY MONTAGUE
PARIS, kinsman to the Prince.	LADY CAPULET
MONTAGUE	JULIET
CAPULET	APOTHECARY
ROMEO, son to Montague.	THREE MUSICIANS
TYBALT, nephew to Lady Capulet.	AN OFFICER
MERCUTIO	NURSE TO JULIETTE
BENVOLIO	CITIZENS
FRIAR LAURANCE	MASKERS
FRIAR JOHN	PAGES
BALTHASAR, servant to Romeo.	GUARDS
ABRAM, servant to Montague.	SERVANTS
SAMPSON, servant to Capulet.	ATTENDANTS
GREGORY, servant to Capulet.	
PETER, servant to Juliet's nurse.	

AUDITIONS: May 8 & 9, 2022

THE REVOLUNTIONISTS

April 23 thru May 7

By Lauren Gunderson

Four beautiful, badass women lose their heads in this irreverent, girl-powered comedy set during the French Revolution's Reign of Terror. Playwright Olympe de Gouges, assassin Charlotte Corday, former queen (and fan of ribbons) Marie Antoinette, and Haitian rebel Marianne Angelle hang out, murder Marat, and try to beat back the extremist insanity in 1793 Paris. This grand and dream-tweaked comedy is about violence and legacy, art and activism, feminism and terrorism, compatriots and chosen sisters, and how we actually go about changing the world. It's a true story. Or total fiction. Or a play about a play. Or a raucous resurrection... that ends in a song and a scaffold.

CAST OF CHARACTERS: 4 Women

Olympe de Gouge
Marie Anionett
Charlotte Corday
Marianne Angelle

AUDITIONS: January 23 & 34, 2022

ALABAMA STORY

June 4 thru 18

By Kenneth Jones

As the Civil Rights movement is flowering, a controversial children's book about a black rabbit marrying a white rabbit stirs the passions of a segregationist State Senator and a no-nonsense State Librarian in 1959 Montgomery, Alabama. A contrasting story of childhood friends--an African-American man and a woman of white privilege, reunited in adulthood--provides private counterpoint to the public events swirling in the state capital. Political foes, star-crossed lovers, and one feisty children's author inhabit the same page in a Deep South of the imagination that brims with humor, heartbreak and hope. Inspired by true events.

CAST OF CHARACTERS: 4 Men & 2 Woman

Male Actor: Garth Williams, Bobby Crone, Herschel Webb, Henry Branch, Radio Announcer, White Passerby

Lily Whitfield
Senator E.W. Higgins
Thomas Franklin

Joshua Moore
Emily Wheelock Reed

AUDITIONS: February 27 & 28, 2020

SAVE THE DATES!

AUGUST 6, 2022

Annual Mini-Golf Tournament

November 12, 2022

**Anniversary / Season Announcement
Party!**

Do you have a show suggestion? Interested in Directing in 2023?

We'd like to hear from you ... please consider the following:

- Be courageous in your suggestion.
- We're not looking for directors to direct shows they've directed before.
- We'd prefer that you direct a show that you've not performed in.
- We encourage first time directors to take a chance!
- Email us or give us a call to set up a meeting.