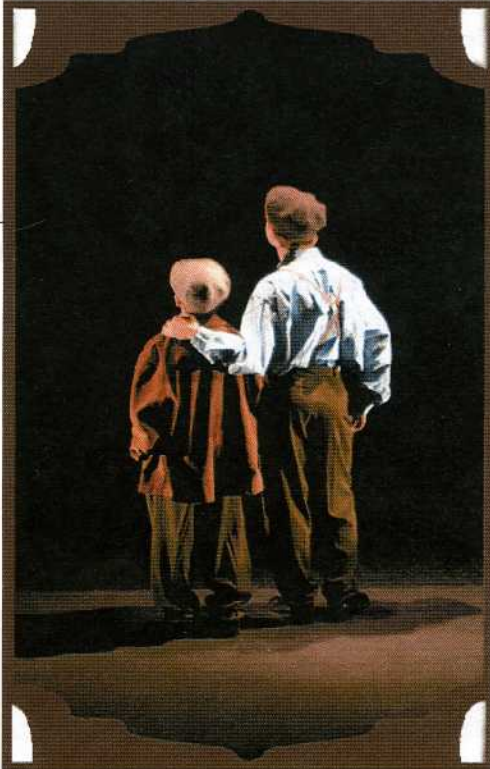


Branch County
Community
Theatre

Presents

Lost in Yonkers

By Neil Simon



October 9, 10 & 11

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Lost In Yonkers

Directed by Trinity Bird

Arty	Jacob Covert
Jay	Tanner Holbrook
Bella	Charlene Rucker
Grandma	Nancy Stiefel
Eddie	Carl Rifenburgh
Aunt Gert	Tammy Hefner
Louie	Aaron Paul

The Cast

Act One

Scene 1

Yonkers, New York. The Kurnitz apartment above Kurnitz's Kandy Store. About six-thirty in the evening on a hot, sultry day in August.

Scene 2

The Kurnitz apartment, late at night

Scene 3

Sunday afternoon, several weeks later

Scene 4

One week later, around midnight

15 Minute Intermission

Act Two

Scene 1

The next day

Scene 2

Later that night

Scene 3

Sunday, the following week

Scene 4

Nine months later

Director's Notes

I have wanted to direct this play for over ten years.

Neil Simon has written some American classics, but with ***Lost in Yonkers*** he has written about his most mature and heartfelt characters. It was very deserving of the Pulitzer Prize it received in 1991. This play speaks to my heart unlike any other. It has been a pleasure to share this work with our amazing cast and crew.

I hope the characters speak to you as well. The innocence of Jay and Arty, the honesty of Bella, the selflessness of Eddie and even the determination of Grandma are characteristics we can all identify with. We can also understand Bella's emptiness – her determination to be a whole human being.

I hope you enjoy tonight's production and will return for the remainder of our BCCT season. At Christmas, bring the whole family for The Best Christmas Pageant Ever – it will be a fun evening for all. In March, join us as we present an exciting new American play. The Pickering Award winner is always a great experience for all involved, especially our audiences. We end the season with the energetic musical *Big*, based on the Tom Hanks film of the same name. If you loved the movie, you will adore the musical.

Neil Simon

Thanks for making BCCT a part of your life and for enjoying the arts with us.

Enjoy the show!

Trinity Bird, Director

Branch County Community Theatre productions are performed in the historic Tibbits Opera House, built in 1882. Tibbits Opera House is located at 14 S. Hanchett Street in beautiful downtown Coldwater.

BCCT productions are made possible because of membership support to the Tibbits Opera House Foundation and Arts Council, Inc.

"In Lost in Yonkers, Neil Simon has done it again, with a craftsmanship and skill probably unmatched in the contemporary English-speaking theatre." Clive Barnes, *New York Post*

The Crew

Stage Manager	Michele Harmon
Scenic Design	Kelly Ford, Aaron Ford & Nathan Ford
Scenic Construction	Charlene Rucker, Carl Rifenburg, Al Cockrell, Tanner Holbrook & Tammy Hefner
Light Design	Dave Brown
Sound Recording	Dave Rucker
Costume Design	Lisa Bearden
Properties	MaryLou Ansari
Program	Laurie Adams

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