

TICKET INFORMATION ::: SHOW TIMES

Season Tickets are available to purchase through October 31, 2025

Each 3-Ticket Flexible Package is just \$50, a savings of \$10!

- :: **Save** – You receive \$10 off the same number of general admission tickets if purchased separately.
- :: **Flexibility** – Use your tickets however you choose for any of our three regular season productions.
- :: **Early Access** – Secure your seats before tickets sales open to the general public.
- :: **No Limit on Savings** – Buy unlimited Season Ticket packages through October 31, 2025.

Single Ticket Prices:

Adults.....**\$20**
Seniors (62+)**\$18**
Students (18 & under)**\$16**

Show Times:

Friday, Saturday..... **7:30 p.m.**
Sunday Matinée..... **2:30 p.m.**

To purchase Season Tickets, single tickets or membership, please visit our website: auroraplayers.org. You may also leave a message with our Box Office at **716-687-6727**. A volunteer will call back within 24-36 hours.

Free parking is available surrounding Hamlin Park. Special arrangements for front-door drop off can be made with the Box Office by calling **716-687-6727**.

Aurora Players, Inc., PO Box 206, East Aurora, NY 14052

Welcome to the historic Roycroft Pavilion – theater home of Aurora Players!



Located at the northern end of Hamlin Park at 166 South Grove Street, the historic Roycroft Pavilion is home to Aurora Players and its productions. It's a picturesque 30-minute drive from downtown Buffalo and 15-30 minutes from most surrounding suburbs.

DIRECTIONS ::: CONTACT INFORMATION

PARTICIPATE IN AURORA PLAYERS

Join us to ensure that live theater continues to thrive in our community, just as it has for more than three generations. There are many ways you can contribute:

Become a Patron! Our partially tax-deductible Patron Level packages include multiple Season Ticket packages, access to ticket reservations before the general public, recognition in each program, and additional tickets at a discounted price. Call us at **716-687-6727** or visit auroraplayers.org for more information.

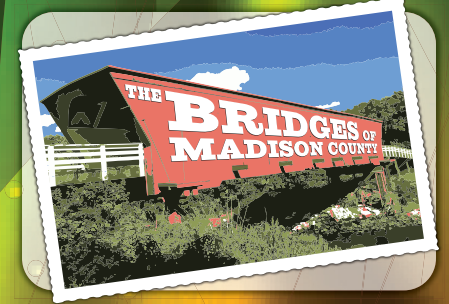
Become a Member! We are a non-profit, membership-based organization, which means that members have voting privileges that help guide the future of the organization. As a Member, you'll also be invited to our annual banquet, receive our quarterly newsletter, and advance notice of ticket availability and auditions. Information is available through the home page "Get Involved" tab at auroraplayers.org.

Volunteer! We're always looking for Volunteers to help with special projects, serve on committees or work during shows. Contact us at volunteer@auroraplayers.org.

Join the legacy of Aurora Players. You can play a special role in continuing to bring live theatre to the Southtowns!



2025-26 SEASON



LIVE THEATER SINCE 1934

WELCOME TO OUR RENOVATED AUDITORIUM!

Aurora Players is honored to present our **2025-2026 season** with a selection of beloved stories from literature and the silver screen. From murder and heartbreak to mistaken identity, we invite you to join us for a season of great storytelling live on our stage.

We are also thrilled to announce the installation of brand-new seats in our auditorium as of August 2025. These are our first new seats in over ninety years of community theatre performances! This major upgrade is made possible through a generous donation from the Scott Bieler Family Foundation.

In recognition of this significant contribution, we will be naming the auditorium in honor of the Scott Bieler Family Foundation. The new seats will not only enhance the seating comfort and overall experience for our audiences, it will also ensure that we are compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and provide options for larger width seats, while bringing a fresh, modern look to our home.

To commemorate this historical event and to raise funds for additional improvements to the theater, patrons have an opportunity to purchase engraved, brass, dedication plaques for \$300 per seat. Patrons may choose seats on a first come, first-served basis and request an engraving of their choice that will be displayed for ten years. Join us in shaping the future of our theater – one seat, one memory at a time! More information can be found on our website: auroraplayers.org.

We eagerly await your arrival for Aurora Players' 2025-26 season. So reserve your tickets, settle into our new extra-comfortable seats, and enjoy the shows!

October 10–12, 17–19, & 24–26, 2025



Book by Marsha Norman
Music and Lyrics by Jason Robert Brown
Based on the novel by Robert James Waller
Directed by Nathan Andrew Miller
Musical Direction by Benjamin Davis

Francesca Johnson is a beautiful Italian woman who married an American soldier to flee war-ravaged Italy. She is about to enjoy a rare four days alone on her Iowa farm while her family heads to the 1965 State Fair. When ruggedly handsome National Geographic photographer, Robert Kincaid, pulls into her driveway seeking directions, though, what happens in those four days may very well alter the course of Francesca's life. Based on the best-selling novel and made popular by the film starring Meryl Streep and Clint Eastwood, *The Bridges of Madison County* is a sweeping romance musical about the roads we travel, the doors we open, and the bridges we dare to cross. Seasoned actor and director, Nathan Andrew Miller, will make his AP directorial debut with this show.

March 13–15, 20–22, & 27–29, 2026



Directed by Benjamin Davis

Just after midnight, a snowdrift stops the Orient Express in its tracks. The luxurious train is surprisingly full for the time of the year, but by the morning, it is one passenger fewer. Isolated and with a killer in their midst, the passengers rely on detective Hercule Poirot to identify the murderer—in case he or she decides to strike again. We're excited to have *Murder on the Orient Express* directed by veteran East Aurora Schools music teacher Benjamin Davis, another first-time Aurora Players director. An avid Agatha Christie fan, Ben has previously graced the AP stage in *The Miracle Worker* and *Lend Me a Tenor*. Get on board the Orient Express when it arrives at the Roycroft Pavilion in March!

May 29–31, June 5–7, & 12–14, 2026



Based on the screenplay by
Marc Norman and Tom Stoppard
Adapted for the stage by Lee Hall
Directed by Marc Ruffino

Young Will Shakespeare has writer's block. The deadline for his new play is fast approaching, but he's in desperate need of inspiration. That is, until he finds his muse ... the feisty, brilliant, and beautiful Viola. This crafty young woman is Will's greatest admirer and will stop at nothing (including breaking the law) to appear in his next play. Against a bustling background of mistaken identity, ruthless scheming, and backstage theatrics, Will's love for Viola quickly blossoms, inspiring him to write his greatest romantic masterpiece. Based on the Academy Award-winning movie starring Joseph Fiennes and Gwyneth Paltrow, this hilarious, romantic play reimagines Shakespeare's creative process. Veteran Aurora Players actor and director Marc Ruffino (who certainly knows his way around a good British comedy) directs this gem!