



## OxACT Seasons



**1988-89**

*Baby*  
*Painting Churches*  
*Skin of Our Teeth*

**1989-90**

*Sound of Music*  
*The Glass Menagerie*  
*Arsenic and Old Lace*

**1990-91**

*Closer Than Ever*  
*The Diary of Anne Frank*  
*Once Upon a Mattress*  
*Marriage of Figaro*

**1991-92**

*The Music Man*  
*Gianni Schicchi and Suor Angelica*  
*The Shadow Box*  
*The Odd Couple*

**1992-93**

*Agnes of God*  
*Ten Little Indians*  
*Die Fledermaus*  
*Oklahoma!*

**1993-94**

*Annie!*  
*Fefu and Her Friends*  
*The Fantasticks*

**1994-95**

*Working*  
*The Miracle Worker*  
*The Boys Next Door*

**1995-96**

*Carousel*  
*Nunsense*  
*The Lion in Winter*

**1996-97**

*Annie Warbucks*  
*You Can't Take It With You*  
*My Emperor's New Clothes*

**1997-98**

*Steel Magnolias*  
*Sylvia*  
*Adventures of Peter Pan and Wendy*  
*No Fish in the House*

**1998-99**

*Stefanie Hero*  
*You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*  
*Bell, Book & Candle*

**1999-2000**

*Forever Plaid*  
*The House of Blue Leaves*  
*Talking With . . .*  
*The Rainmaker*

**2000-01**

*E. Hemingway*  
*Nuncrackers: The Christmas Musical*  
*The Prince and the Pauper*  
*Dames At Sea*

**2001-2002**

*Parallel Lives*  
*I Do! I Do!*

**2002-2003**

*Luv*  
*The Wizard of Oz*

**1980-81**

*Mouse Trap*  
*Blithe Spirit*  
*The Boyfriend*

**1981-82**

*Barefoot in the Park*  
*Wait Until Dark*  
*The King and I*

**1982-83**

*Bus Stop*  
*Harvey*  
*Oliver*

**1983-84**

*Prisoner of Second Avenue*  
*Inherit the Wind*  
*Working*

**1984-85**

*Ah, Wilderness*  
*Dial "M" for Murder*  
*Pippin*

**1985-86**

*Godspell*  
*6 RMS RIV VU*  
*The Dining Room*

**1986-87**

*Evita*  
*The Real Inspector Hound*  
*Our Town*

**1987-88**

*Fiddler on the Roof*  
*All My Sons*  
*Morning's at Seven*

We invite you to take a few minutes before or after the show, or during intermission, to look through the collection of programs from past seasons in the album(s) in the lobby. Find yourself, or old friends, or memories of cherished productions from previous years.

If you have any photos, programs, or posters from OxACT shows that you would like to see included in our archive, and possibly on the website, please phone Becky Howard at 513-756-1963 to arrange for us to borrow them long enough to have the images scanned and added to our computerized collection. We are especially interested in any materials from the earliest years.



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OxACT

**Oxford Area Community Theatre**  
presents its 23rd Season



LOV

by **Murray Schisgal**

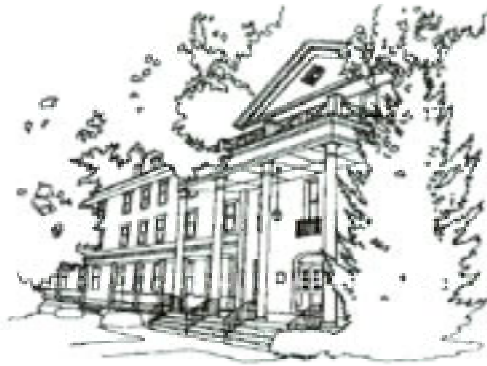
Directed by Michael McVey

**Thursday-Friday-Saturday**  
**Feb. 6, 7, 8, 2003**

**Leonard Theatre**  
**Peabody Hall**  
**Miami University**  
**Oxford, Ohio**

## OXFORD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER

*Preserving the Past . . . Enhancing the Future*



Our mission is to provide a permanent home for community arts groups and individuals that seek to perform, rehearse, teach and exhibit their endeavors and creations. The facility will also be a gathering place for a variety of community educational and social activities.

Don't miss this opportunity to play a significant role in this most exciting capital campaign!

For a limited time, the Oxford Community Arts Center Board of Directors is providing a special opportunity for OxACT patrons. As a symbol of your support for and dedication to the Arts, you can now sponsor a seat in our new community theater. Seat prices vary by row.

For more information, contact the Center's director of administration, Marilyn Sasser at 524-8506 or via email at [communityarts@woh.rr.org](mailto:communityarts@woh.rr.org).

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### OxACT Mission Statement

*"The mission of the Oxford Area Community Theatre shall be to provide the community with the highest quality amateur theater possible. In order to achieve our goal, OxACT will present a mixture of musicals, dramas and comedies from the classical and contemporary repertoire. We will do our best to achieve balance between shows that are appealing to the audience, cast, crew and director while increasing theatrical knowledge for all involved."*

• And coming up next . . .

## The Wizard of Oz



*directed by Biz Campbell*

*Rehearsals are about to begin for this perennial favorite, which will be performed  
May 15-18*

# PERSONALITIES

**Buffy Hanna (ELLEN MANVILLE):** Originally from Lansing, Illinois, Buffy came to Oxford to attend Miami University and never left. Having acquired a degree in marketing from the university's prestigious business school, she has worked for many years in the fields of advertising, sales, and communications. Currently she is special projects coordinator at The Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University in Oxford, where she enjoys planning events and creating communication materials. Her previous OxACT credits include: *Dames at Sea*, *The Rainmaker*, *Parallel Lives*, *Talking With*, *The Adventures of Peter Pan and Wendy*, and *Stephanie Hero*. She was a nun in last fall's Cincinnati Music Theatre production of *The Sound of Music*. In April, Buffy will be appearing at the Aronoff's Jarson Kaplan Theatre in the role of Agnes Gooch, in Cincinnati Music Theatre's production of *Mame*.

**Michael McVey (HARRY BERLIN/DIRECTOR):** Michael is the Technical Director of Dave Finkelman Auditorium on the Middletown campus of Miami University. He also teaches Theatre classes on campus. He has an MFA from UC-CCM in Dramatic Performance. He has performed at Human Race in Dayton and Ensemble Theatre in Cincinnati. His last appearance was as David Bliss in Miami's Summer Theatre production of Noel Coward's *Hay Fever*. His favorite resume entry is his appearance on *Mister Roger's Neighborhood*. "It was so long ago that Fred still had dark hair." Mike has a generous wife, Cathy, who allows him the freedom to do theatre work; and two children, Sam (14) and Nora (10), who hopefully remember what he looks like.

**Jim Michael (MILT MANVILLE):** Jim Michael is familiar to OxACT patrons from his appearances as Murray in *The Odd Couple*, Captain Keller in *The Miracle Worker*, Mr. Kirby in *You Can't Take It With You*, and Billy Einhorn in *The House of Blue Leaves*. In his real life, Jim practices law in the Oxford office of Millikin & Fitton Law Firm. His hobbies include music, travel, family history, birding and, of course, community theater. Jim and his wife, Sarah, have lived in Oxford for 25 years. Their three grown children, Charlie, Katie, and Eleanor, are Talawanda graduates.



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for their donation of one free night at their B&B. Maplevale is owned by John and Malinda Anderson and is located at 3891 Oxford-Millville Rd. (U.S. 27 south). Phone 513-523-8909 for information, or 877-506-2753 for reservations. You can also contact them by email at [Maplevalefarm@yahoo.com](mailto:Maplevalefarm@yahoo.com), and visit them online at [www.maplevale.com](http://www.maplevale.com).

♥ ***The Alexander House Historic Inn***

for their donation of "Buy one entree, receive one free" coupons for OxACTION donors at the Angel level. The Alexander House is owned by Steve and Melissa Friede and is located at 22 N. College Ave. Phone 513-523-1200 for information and reservations.

♥ ***Ace Hardware***

for their donation of the chain link fencing. Located at the corner of Spring and College (across from Stewart Elementary), Ace has been a long-time fixture in Oxford under the ownership of Jeff and Debbie MacDonald.

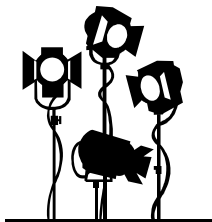
♥ ***Stevens Studio/Thacker Photography***

for the publicity photos for this production. Owner/photographer Dottie Thacker is continuing the Stevens tradition of quality photography in Oxford. The studio is located at 5958 Fairfield Road. Phone 513-523-8083 or 800-243-8083 for more information.

♥ ***Elaine Polson of Sweet Temptations***

for running our new box office location! Sweet Temptations is located behind the pavilion in the uptown parks, and offers a variety of coffee drinks--hot or iced, simple or decadent--plus Chai Tea and hot chocolate, along with their homemade ice cream or sorbet, and custom-made frozen yogurt pie! New winter hours are Mon-Fri, 11:30-7 p.m., and Sat-Sun noon-6 p.m.





## Crew

Lights ..... Jesse Garrison, Zeke Runyon  
 Costumes ..... Sarah Michael  
 Stage Manager ..... Donna Stevens  
 Set Construction Bob Campbell, Jeff Hanna,  
 and Chris Church

## PRODUCTION NOTE:

**LUV** premiered in New York in November of 1964. In the 1964-65 season there were two comedy hot tickets. One was Neil Simon's *Odd Couple*, and the other was Murray Schisgal's **LUV**. *The Odd Couple* closed after 964 performances, and **LUV** lasted 901 performances. Although neither casts received Tony awards for performance, Mike Nichols, who directed both productions, did receive the Best Director's award that year. The original cast for **LUV** was Alan Arkin and the talented husband and wife team of Eli Wallach and Anne Jackson. In 1967, Columbia released a film of the play starring Jack Lemmon, Peter Falk, and Elaine May. The original newspaper notices were unqualified raves: "Continuously uproarious . . . indescribably funny" (NY Post). "This zany spoof of the romantic triangle play also satirizes a wide variety of themes—alienation, despair, tangled sexual relationships—dear to the heart of avant-garde writers" (NY Times).

### OPENING NIGHT RECEPTION

The OxACT Board of Directors invites everyone to join the cast and crew at our opening night reception immediately following Thursday evening's performance. The reception will be held in the Gallery adjacent to the theater.

## SPECIAL NOTES ABOUT OUR THEATER

The Women's Restroom is located at the far end of the south wing on the first floor. The Men's Restroom is located at the far end of the north wing on the first floor. In addition, there are restrooms located on the ground floor. Please ask an usher for directions.

The use of recording devices or cameras is strictly prohibited.

***Please put pagers, beepers and chiming watches on "silent" setting or check them with the house manager during performance. ALSO PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE!***

Parents are requested *not* to bring a child under age 2 into the theater. Anyone disrupting the performance will be asked to leave.

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**\$100-\$249 ANGEL**  
**\$250+ BENEFACTOR**

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**OXFORD AREA COMMUNITY THEATRE**

presents



**LUV**

by **Murray Schisgal**

Directed by Michael McVey



**Cast**

Jim Michael .....MILT MANVILLE

Buffy Hanna .....ELLEN MANVILLE

Michael McVey .....HARRY BERLIN

*There will be one fifteen-minute intermission  
between acts.*

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