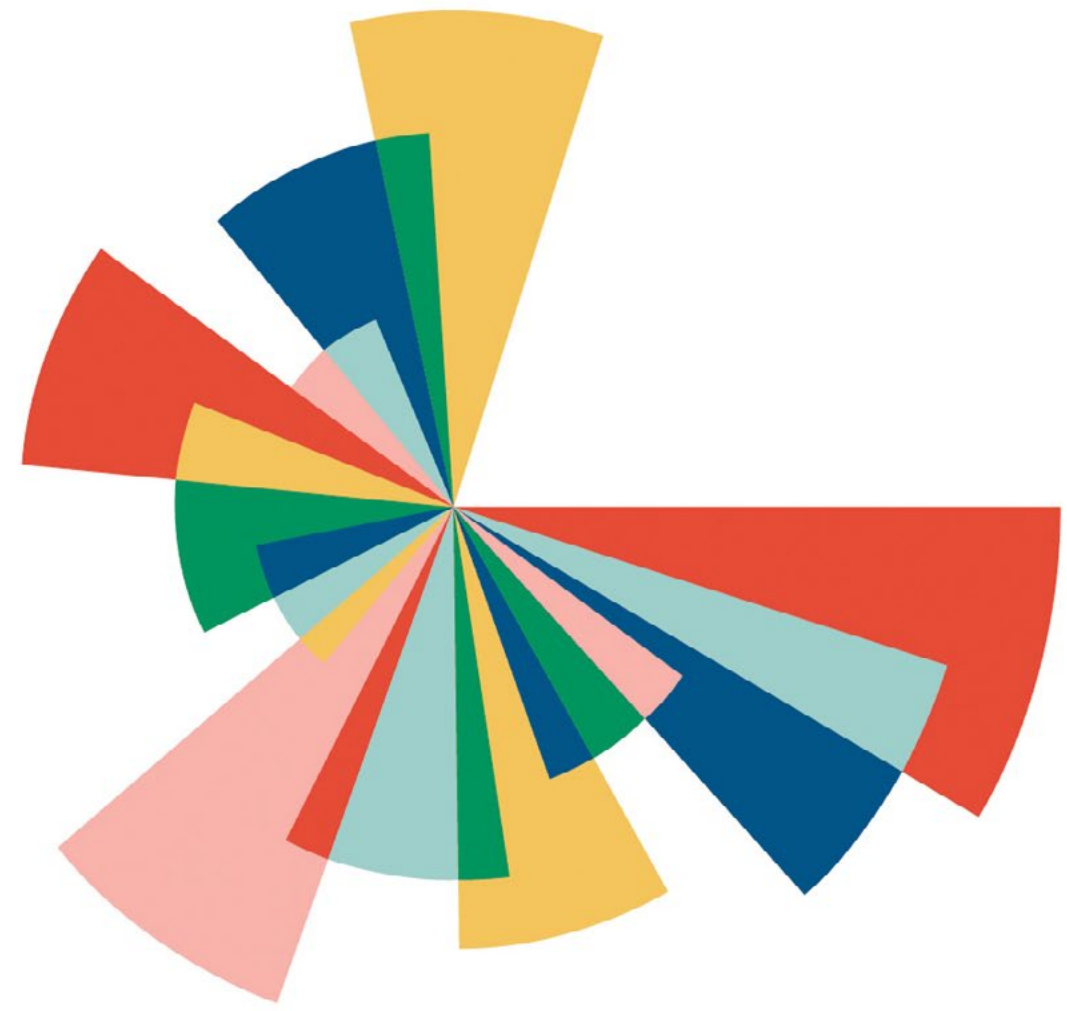




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MAINSTAGE SHOWS



SISTER ACT

September 12 - 27, 2025

When disco diva Deloris Van Cartier witnesses a murder, she is put in protective custody in the one place the cops are sure she won't be found: a convent! Using her sense of humor, disco dance moves, and singing talent to inspire the choir, Deloris breathes new life into the church and community. The chase is on as Deloris begins to understand the power of her newly found sisterhood.

Feel Good Disco Comedy



THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW

October 24 - November 1, 2025

Celebrating the 50th anniversary! Two squeaky clean college kids – Brad and his fiancée Janet – are on their way to visit a former professor when their car breaks down outside a creepy mansion. There, they meet the charismatic and cross-dressing mad scientist, Dr. Frank'n'Furter. A science-fiction and horror-themed production that is a satirical tribute to B-movies and an unforgettable adventure filled with fun, frolics, frocks and frivolity.

Campy Sci-fi Musical



ROALD DAHL'S MATILDA THE MUSICAL

December 5 - 20, 2025

A MainStage and Young Company collaboration! Matilda is a little girl with astonishing wit, intelligence and psychokinetic powers. She's unloved by her cruel parents but impresses her teacher. Matilda's school life isn't completely smooth sailing, however – the school's mean headmistress hates children and just loves to punish those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness and could be the school pupils' saving grace!

Heartwarming Family Musical

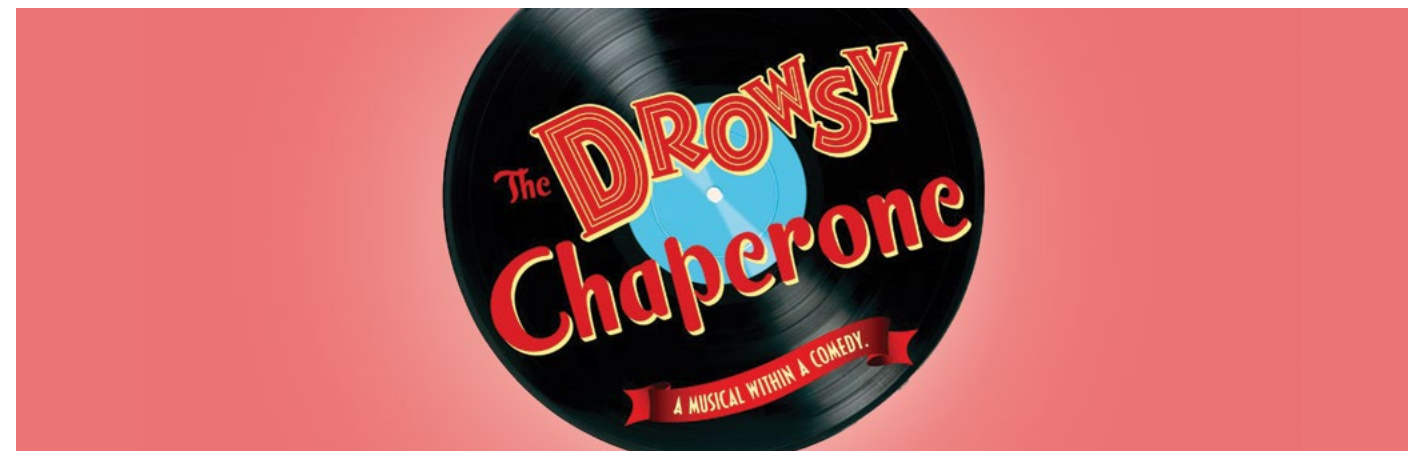


MISERY

February 13 - 21, 2026

Successful romance novelist Paul Sheldon is rescued from a car crash by his number one fan, Annie, and wakes up captive in her secluded home. While he is convalescing, she reads the manuscript to his newest novel and becomes enraged to discover the author has killed off her favorite character. Annie forces Paul to write a new novel, and he quickly realizes Annie has no intention of letting him leave.

Classic Psychological Thriller



THE DROWSY CHAPERONE

April 17 - May 2, 2026

A fun musical comedy that begins with a theater-loving narrator, the "Man in Chair," playing his favorite cast recording. As the record spins, a 1920s musical springs to life in his apartment. The show-within-a-show follows a wedding disrupted by gangsters, mistaken identities and a tipsy chaperone. Hilarious and heartfelt, it's both a loving parody and a tribute to the magic of classic musicals.

Nostalgic Musical Romp



FOUR OLD BROADS

May 15 - 23, 2026

A mystery unfolds with laughter as four sassy seniors try to outsmart the evil nurse to figure out why residents have been moved to "the dark side," what is the mysterious pill and what happened to Doctor Head? With the Miss Magnolia Senior Citizen Pageant approaching, a cruise ship calling their name, and a retired Elvis impersonator as their sidekick, hilarity ensues for these golden gals as they piece together clues.

Feisty Comedic Hijinx

TWO SPECIAL EVENTS:

THE PRINCE OF EGYPT August 21 - 23 at Milliken Auditorium

TEN NOVEMBER November 7 - 9 at the Grand Traverse Yacht Club

STUDIO THEATRE

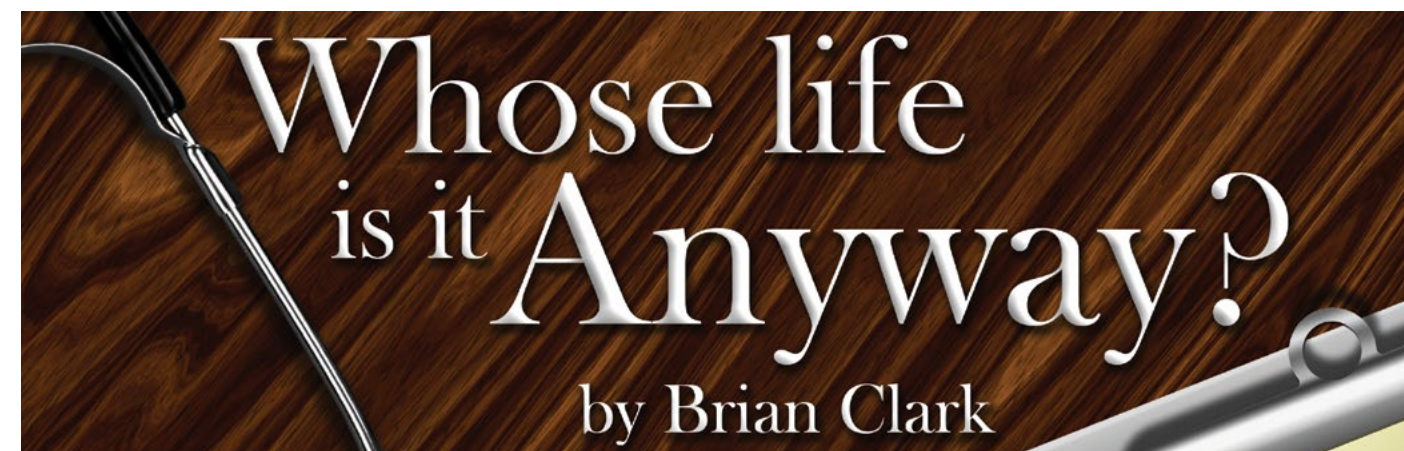


THE MINUTES

November 14 – 22, 2025

A city council meeting spirals into a dark exploration of American politics and the fragility of local government, revealing hidden truths and cracks in the surface of seemingly ordinary life in a small town.

Small-town Dark Comedy



WHOSE LIFE IS IT ANYWAY?

January 30 – February 7, 2026

Ken Harrison is paralyzed and kept alive through medical intervention. Outwardly he's cheerful, but he's overwhelmed that he has lost control of his own life. Harrison decides he does not want to live only to exist as a medical achievement, but the hospital is determined to preserve his life, regardless of its quality.

Powerful Emotional Drama



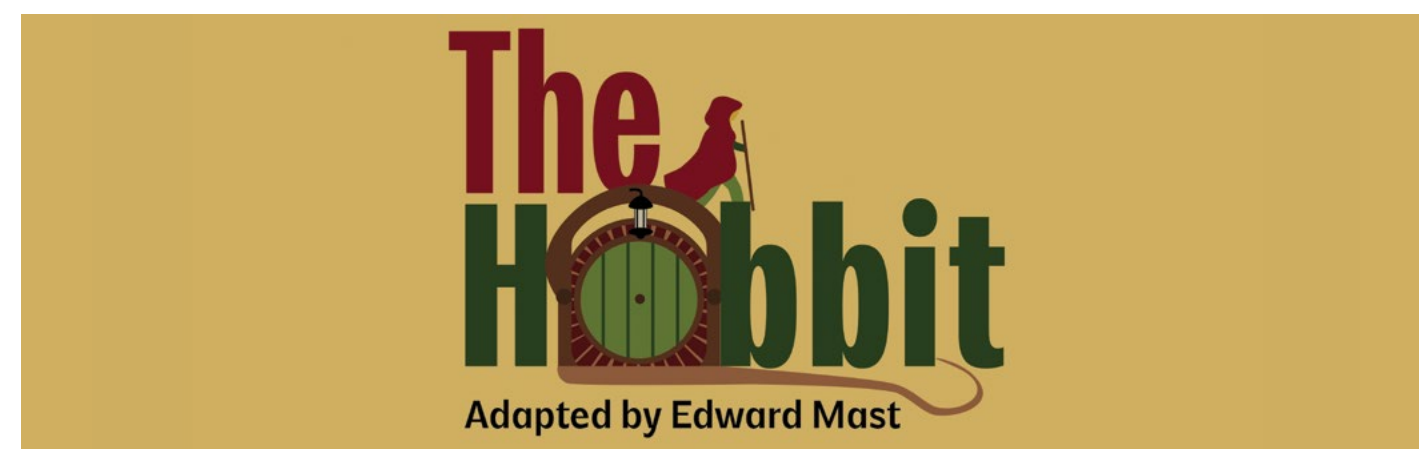
PAINT NIGHT

March 13 – 21, 2026

Six women gather for a much-needed girls' night out. The plan is to eat, drink and create works of art at a local paint and sip night while celebrating a bride to be. But as the alcohol flows, so do their thoughts on motherhood and womanhood, and their carefully curated lives get hilariously and heartbreakingly real.

Heartfelt Comedic Drama

YOUNG COMPANY



THE HOBBIT

January 16 – 24, 2026

Bilbo Baggins is a shy hobbit who is unexpectedly thrust into an epic adventure with a group of dwarves. Their quest to reclaim a stolen treasure from the fearsome dragon Smaug takes them through dangerous lands, facing trolls, goblins and giant spiders. Along the way, Bilbo discovers bravery, friendship and his true potential, ultimately playing a pivotal role in the battle for the treasure.

Traditional Family Favorite



THE GIVER

March 26 – 28, 2026

Our Young Company Studio Theatre show. Jonas is a young boy living in a highly controlled, emotionless society where memories and feelings are suppressed. At the age of twelve, Jonas is chosen to be the next Receiver of Memory, learning from the elderly Giver. As Jonas discovers the truth about his world's dark secrets, he must decide whether to accept or escape the truth.

Thought Provoking Drama



ONCE UPON A MATTRESS

June 5 – 13, 2026

Princess Winnifred, an unconventional and spirited woman, vies for the hand of Prince Dauntless, but must pass a test devised by his domineering mother, Queen Aggravain. Full of humor, quirky characters, and catchy songs, this comedic musical retelling of the classic fairy tale *The Princess and the Pea* is a lighthearted tale of love and defying expectations.

Comedic Fairy Tale

STAGED READINGS

NEW THIS SEASON!

We will offer two Readers Theatre productions, one in October and one in January.

Stay tuned for show announcements!

AGED TO PERFECTION

Our Senior Readers' Theatre is a place where seniors 55 and up can use their theatrical skills.

This group meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 10 am and all are welcome to join.



YOUNG COMPANY

Young Company is the educational arm of OTP with a year-long schedule of classes, camps, workshops and performances serving ages five to eighteen.

Our programs offer a uniquely authentic theatre learning experience.

All shows are performed by the students.



VIBRANT describes this season! Art makes a community stronger and more vibrant and for sixty-five years, OTP has been a gem. Our Sapphire Anniversary season will sparkle.

From our 'diamond in the rough' beginning of one show 65 years ago, OTP is now a multi-faceted gem. MainStage is expanding to six shows and Studio Theatre returns home with three shows. Aged to Perfection Senior Readers' Theatre offers educational sessions and two shows, and our new Staged Readings series will be open to all ages. Young Company has year-round offerings of shows and classes.

Bright accents this season are two special events. *The Prince of Egypt* will take place at the Milliken Auditorium in August. This will be directed by Wes Curry, our new Artistic Director, and is a community collaboration. In honor of the 50th anniversary of the Edmund Fitzgerald, *Ten November* will perform in a dinner theatre format at the Yacht Club in November.

Whatever your favorite – drama, suspense, comedy or musical – there is something for you. OTP is a community gem, and like a finely cut stone, all facets are bringing new color. Thank you for supporting live theatre. See you at the shows this VIBRANT season.

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