

# North Fork Community Theatre

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**May 18 – June 4**

**June 8**

**June 13**

***Cabaret***

**Spring Gala**

**Annual meeting**

## **President's Message:**

Well, it's June already and this is my last President's message before my term is up. I can't believe how fast two years have flown by. I have learned a lot about myself as well the NFCT community. From our loyal subscribers to the folks that come to the NFCT for the first time and are surprised by the charm of our theatre, it has been a pleasure getting to know you all. We have members that performed in the Youth on Stage productions years ago and came back to join the NFCT at a different stage in their life. We have our regulars that we see onstage at least once each season, and those that come less frequently tempted to make the journey out east because a specific show or role calls to them. We have a large group of volunteers that are quick to sign up to house manage, usher or work in the box office. Then there are the volunteers that show up to each attic clean-up day, are first up the ladder when it's time to move the traveler and spend an absurd amount of time giving back to the NFCT that gives us so much.

Each and every one of you are equally important. You are all part of the reason why our theatre is a community gem. Whether the NFCT provides an occasional night of entertainment for you or it has become your second home, you are part of something significant. We are lucky enough to know that we have a good thing going here and that provides the motivation to persist with whatever it takes to make our theatre the best it can possibly be.

I know that the process of renovating the theatre is a slow one. I knew I was signing up for a marathon, not a sprint. We are moving forward every single day and we will see big improvements even if we must do it one small step at a time. I see the vision and remind myself that all great things are worth waiting for. Just know that every ticket sold, dollar donated or hour of your life freely given goes to ensuring that the NFCT stays a community gem on the North Fork for many years to come.

Finally, I want to thank you all. It truly has been a pleasure getting to know each of you. I pushed myself out of my comfort zone to join the NFCT and was rewarded with a wonderful family and a cause I am thrilled to fight for every day. As we move toward the start of our 60<sup>th</sup> season, I am happy to pass the baton back to Mary while she takes on this next leg of the race, and we all know she's the better runner!

I'm looking forward to seeing what the next 60 years has in store for us!

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**Cabaret is open**, but it closes June 4<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss your chance to see this wonderful cast wow you at the Kit Kat Club.

**Looking for help with the YOS show, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*.** We're looking for volunteers to help build the set or help find and alter costumes. Please contact Liz ([Liszanckie@gmail.com](mailto:Liszanckie@gmail.com)) if you're interested.

**The NFCT's 'Future's So Bright' Gala** will be held Thursday, June 8, at 7 p.m. at Sparkling Pointe Winery in Southold. All gala proceeds will go toward the NFCT Renovation Campaign, helping us make significant (and exciting!) improvements to our building's interior. Tickets: individual, \$125; VIP, \$150; under age 21, \$50; ages 21-30, \$75. VIP tables of 8 may be reserved for \$1,200. Your ticket includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner, wine and beer, entertainment by NFCT performers, raffles and a live auction. Get your tickets at [nfct.com](http://nfct.com) or contact Mary at 917-334-6639 for more information.

**Annual membership meeting and elections:** Elections for the board of directors and play reading committee will be held at the NFCT's annual meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 13. In order to vote, you must become a member of the NFCT by June 1.

The nominating committee reports the following nominees for the board of directors:

**President** – Mary Motto Kalich

**Vice President** – Liz Liszanckie

**Secretary** – Kelsey Cheslock

**Treasurer** – Mike Hipp

**General Directors** (2 year terms) – Katrina Lovett, David Markel and Warren Zulawski

**Nominations for the play reading committee** will be accepted at the June meeting. Members of the play reading committee will review the proposed shows and select our slate of shows for our next season. Bring a friend to the annual meeting and nominate each other so you can be part of selecting what graces the NFCT stage.

**An all-musical year:** 2017-18 will be a season of musicals in honor of our 60th anniversary:

*Young Frankenstein* will be in the fall directed by Bob Kaplan

*Next to Normal* will be in early winter directed by Jessica Raven

*You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* will be in late winter directed by Manning Dandridge

*Oliver!* will be in the spring directed by Kelsey Cheslock

*Suessical* will be our Youth on Stage production in the summer

**Sound and lights help wanted!** Help is needed on the technical side of productions. No prior technical expertise is needed. If you're interested, contact David Scheer at [dmscheer@optonline.net](mailto:dmscheer@optonline.net).



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