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WONDERFUL LIFE

A LIVE RADIO PLAY
ADAPTED BY JOE LANDRY



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CAST

Jake Laurents..... George Dinsmore
Freddie Filmore Frank Thompson
Harry "Jazzbo" Heywood Jim DeFelice
Sally Applewhite Jennifer Kraus
Lana Sherwood..... Kelly Powell
Stage Manager..... Cindy Binnicker

PRODUCTION CREW

Director/Set Design..... Tiffany Dinsmore
Producer Cindy Binnicker
Stage Manager..... Aurora Rupp
Tech Simon Marchant and April Garrett
House Manager..... Joan Marco
Playbill Editor Gerrard Goines
Playbill & Poster Design..... Jason Jeffers

SETTING: The stage and auditorium of Studio A at WBFR in Manhattan, New York on Christmas Eve.

TIME: 1946.

SPECIAL THANKS:

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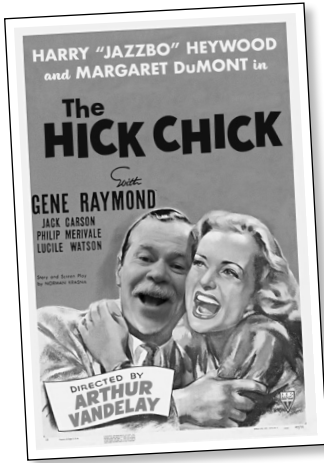
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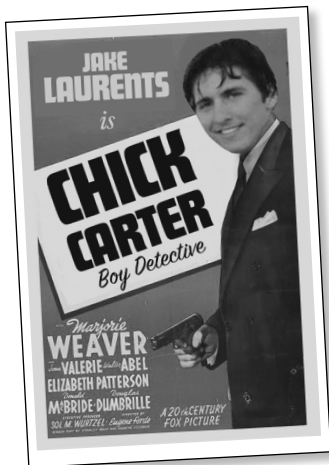
Cindy Binnicker (*"Stage Manager"/Producer*) is stepping out of her backstage comfort zone to play the....wait for it... stage manager! She is super excited to make the sounds and have all the fun with this extremely talented cast!

Jim DeFelice (*Harry "Jazzbo" Heywood playing Clarence the Angel and others.*) This is my first performance on this new stage. I was last seen at the Firehouse in *Clue* – as Wadsworth, the butler.



It really has been fun helping to get this new space ready. I'm so proud to be a part of this theatre community with all the support and talent that has become a part of the next chapter of the Chapin Theatre Company. What a great experience I am having with this cast, crew and our unbelievably talented director - Tiffany. As always, I love you Tina. And thank you my kids for those five beautiful and spirited granddaughters..

George Dinsmore (*Jake Laurents*) emceed the 10 Minute-ish Play Festival right here in November. He will emcee his seventh season with the 2023 Champion Lexington County Blowfish baseball team in 2024. He recently talked baseball and acting on the *Earned Fun Average* podcast, as well as appearing in the *Altered Space* series (Col. Joseph Knight), in the second season of *Secrets in Plain Sight* (Phil Daniels), and with *The Dinner Detective*. George is a company member of the South Carolina Shakespeare Company and played Benedick in *Much Ado About Nothing* in 2022 & 2023. Visit GeorgeDinsmore.com to learn more about his upcoming and previous film and stage credits.



Tiffany Dinsmore (*Director*) is thrilled to be bringing this unique stage version of one of her favorite Christmas movies to life. She has laughed a lot with the wonderfully talented cast who apparently are a bunch of secret stand up comedians. Tiffany works as the Artistic Director here at Chapin Theatre Company and heads up the Chapin Academy of Performing Arts (CAPA) which offers classes, workshops and junior shows for children ages 5-18. She also enjoys being on the stage, when she can find the time. Tiffany was last seen in the *10 Minute-ish Play Festival* as the diva "Musical".

When not at the theatre she likes to watch movies, float in the pool and play with her granddaughter Elodie. Have a happy holiday season and remember, "no man is a failure who has friends."

April Garrett (*Tech*) is excited to be a part of the *It's a Wonderful Life* production crew. This is her eighth production with Chapin Theatre. She was last seen on the stage in CTC's 2022 production of *Closed for the Holidays*. Since then, she has been behind the scenes, helping run tech for *37 Postcards* and *Disney's Descendants the Musical*, to name a few. While she still loves being on the stage, she has enjoyed getting to see the 'other' side. April thanks Simon for taking her under his wing and teaching her all about lighting and sound. Outside of theatre, she enjoys her middle schoolers, hanging out with family and friends, and snuggling with her Springeroodle, Gus.

Jennifer Kraus (*Sally Applewhite*) is thrilled to be acting with the Chapin Theatre Company again since playing Lola in *Farce of Nature*. A big "Thank You!" to Tiffany for letting her play as she has had so much fun with this cast and crew. It's such a delight compared to the environmental consulting job she has to do every day. Jennifer also enjoys singing with the Dutch Fork Choral Society in Chapin. Her previous theatre experience was in Seattle: some of her favorite roles include Susan in *Company!*, Phoebe in *Yeoman of the Guard*, and Peaches in *The Red Velvet Cake War*. She would love to thank her husband, Ben, for all his love and support.

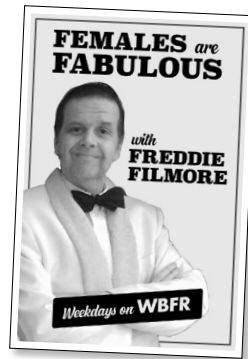


Simon Marchant (Tech) has worked on and off in the theatre behind the scenes since the 1980s when his sister performed. He supported his son Gabriel in this same role throughout his middle and high school years until he went away to college four years ago and inherited the role at that point. He loves to be part of this group and looks forward to helping the next show come to life.

Kelly Powell (Lana Sherwood) returns to the stage for her fourth appearance in a Chapin Theatre production. She made her debut in CTC's summer musical *The Little Mermaid*, in which she played Queen Athena. She was easily persuaded into her next two productions of *Shrek the Musical* (Mama Ogre) and *Bah Humbug! A Christmas Carol* (Mary). Now with *It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play* under her belt, she is fully addicted to acting and theatre. CTC will never be able to get rid of her, which is reminiscent of trying to rid oneself of a piece of glitter. However, she has no plans on quitting her day job in Human Resources. Kelly sends out her love and thanks to her incredible Director, Tiffany; incomparable Producer, Cindy; and her super-talented and inspirational castmates. Another round of immense gratitude goes to her amazing family: husband, Lyn; daughter, Grace; and son, Carter, as well as the rest of her wonderful and supportive family and friends at Mungo. The outpouring of support, encouragement and love has meant the world to her and she could not do it without you all.

Aurora Rupp (Stage Manager) is super excited to get back to her Stage Managing roots with Chapin Theatre. Aurora has worked the past 10 years with ICRC Children's Theatre as first a stage manager then a director. Aurora was recently in the Ensemble of *Descendants the Musical* with Chapin Theatre. Aurora would like to thank you all for coming out to see this wonderful show and to say break a leg to this talented cast.

Frank Thompson (Freddie Filmore) is happy to bring this beloved holiday story to life alongside such a warm and talented group of performers and crew. His prior roles with CTC include Freddie/Philip in *Noises Off* (he must look like a Freddie), Dr. Watson in *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, Professor Plum in *Clue*, Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast the Musical*, and Stanford P. Sutton in *37 Postcards*. He directed last January's *Death by Design*, and looks forward to helming *The 39 Steps* next October. Frank's other stage credits include Henry Higgins in *My Fair Lady* (Tiffany Dinsmore's favourite show ever), Harold Hill in *The Music Man*, Thenardier in *Les Miserables*, and Harry MacAfee in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Enjoy the show, and Happy Christmas!



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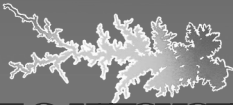
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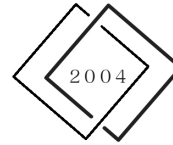
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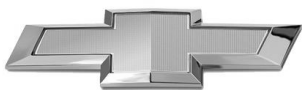
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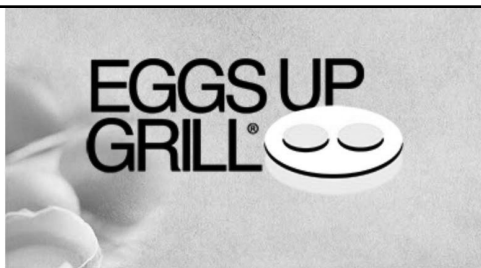
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