

2017-18 YEAR IN REVIEW

Produced 21 Shows this Year

Fall Show – *Voices Out of Chaos* (Th III & IV), original play written and performed by Theatre III/IV students

Spring Show – *Almost, Maine*, by John Cariani

One Person Shows - 16 *One Person Shows* by Theatre IV students; each show performed in school and during 2-day marathon

WSC Avant Bard Scripts in Play Festival – Theatre III students workshop and performance of *Marvellous* by Matthew Minnicino

WSC Avant Bard Residency - Theatre I students workshop and performance of *The Tempest* by Shakespeare

Theatre II show – *The Seussodyssey* by Don Zolidis

28th Street Improv – one all-school performance and rehearsed regularly throughout the year

Technical Theatre Club – provided technical support for all Yorktown events

Community Outreach and Touring

Community Theatre for Social Justice – Carol Cadby and Shari Benites presented on the development of *Voices Out of Chaos*

Pyramid Theatre Festival – middle school students spent time at Yorktown with theatre students

One Person Show Photo Exhibit: Jim Coates' OPS photos were on display at Cassatt's for two weeks with a reception for parents and students

Signature in the Schools: Theatre students attended Signature in the Schools show, *12 Million Footsteps*

Middle School Visits – Yorktown theatre students conducted workshops at middle schools

Awards and Accolades

VHSL – *Voices Out of Chaos*; 2nd place Sectional competition, 2 acting awards; 3rd place Regional competition

2017 Secondary School Theatre Award – American Ass'n of Theatre Educators awarded to Carol Cadby for long-term outstanding contribution to the mission of theatre education

Ian McWethy (Theatre Alum 2001) – Published *The Incomplete Life & Random Death of Molly Denholtz*, developed with feedback from and 1st performed as *Losing Faith*, by Theatre IV Class (2017); Inducted into Yorktown Hall of Fame, 2018

Ginny Mohler (Theatre Alum 2006) – Screenwriter and Co-Director of the movie, *The Radium Girls* premiered at the Tribeca Film Festival, April 2018; Theatre IV (2016) *Girls Who Glow* based on screenplay for movie

Partnerships

Arlington Independent Media (AIM) – filmed and showed *Voices Out of Chaos* on its Youtube channel; conducted interviews with theatre students for its Youth Can Change the World program

WSC Avant Bard – collaboration with a professional theatre company to mount shows, bring in their expertise, read plays, and work with students

Promotional Materials

Brochure – updated Theatre Arts brochure

Video – developed a professionally produced promotional video of the Theatre Arts program, featuring testimonials by students, parents and Carol Cadby

Fundraisers

Capitol Steps – *Orange is the New Barack* comedy performance

Arena Stage – *Pajama Game* group attendance of a performance

Dineout nights – Arlington Kabob, Chipotle, Pie Tanza and Taqueria

Guest Artists

Jim Coates – professional photographer who took photos of all shows

Chips & Priscilla Johnson (2010 parent alum) - Set & Props Masters for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*; chaperones throughout the year, helped with Technical Theatre club

Danna Fischer (2002 parent alum) - Costume Mistress for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*

Jan McQueary (2015 parent alum) - Props and sets for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*

Susan Millan (1995 parent alum) – Costumes and chaperone for VHSL competition

Bailey Nassetta (YHS theatre alum) –Acting coach for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*

Abby O'Keeffe – Poster, flyers, banner, program for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*; and redevelopment of the Yorktown Theatre brochure

Kevin Goral – Technical Theatre Director, and Lighting and Sound specialist for Yorktown events; coach for Tech Theatre Club

Mike Zito – Technical assistance with auditorium and Tech Theatre Club

Mary Meyers and Francesca Chilcote – WSC Avant Bard consultants who worked with both Theatre I classes to develop *The Tempest*

Ryan Sellers (YHS theatre alum) – movement coach for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*

Zana Gankhuyag (YHS theatre alum) – Movement coach for *Voices Out of Chaos* and *Almost, Maine*

Eileen Sugamelli, Lexie Lounsbury, Elizabeth Woolford, Hannah Shoultz, Rebecca O'Keeffe, Ella Webster & Paige Little (YHS Theatre Alum) – acting coaches, who assisted with productions and worked with classes