

They're creepy and they're kooky, mysterious and spooky, they're all together ooky, The Addams Family...

Over the years *The Addams Family* theme song has become a staple in most of our childhoods. We hear those words, and we start to snap along with the well-known lyrics. This family has grown with us over the years, in the forms of a cartoon strip, television, movies, and now into a new musical comedy! As the years have gone by, *The Addams Family* has adapted to meet the new age that they are living in.

With this show, we once again meet the family—as kooky as they ever were—but now Gomez and Morticia's beloved daughter, Wednesday, is no longer that dark little girl with pigtails that we once knew. Wednesday is now a young lady of eighteen, and has fallen in love with a sweet, respectable, and smart young man from Ohio! If this hasn't upset the balance of the family already, Wednesday has confided in Gomez her feelings for this boy, and begs him not to tell her mother. Gomez has to keep this secret from his beloved Morticia, as Wednesday has invited the boy's family for a "normal" dinner at the Addams' family mansion.

Being able to direct this show has been a lifelong dream for me! I grew up watching *The Addams Family* through cartoons and movies; this family that loved each other and their uniqueness, despite what others thought. I will admit that I was enamored with their outlook on life, and that death is just around the corner, so why not live for today! This show has come to mean more to me than the childhood entertainment that I grew up with. As I



have grown, the characters have grown, and now have more adult-like problems. It has been a pleasure to explore these characters along with the cast and crew for *The Addams Family* musical. This amazing cast has jumped in and embraced the ways of those quirky Addams Family characters, and I promise you will not be disappointed! We hope that you will join us on October 22nd - 23rd for spook-filled and fun entertainment!

~ Amanda Coutant, Director

PERFORMANCES:

October 22nd, 7:30 October 23rd, 2:00 DHS Dick Van Dyke Auditorium (*Ticket information on page 4*)



AUDITIONS





AUDITIONS FOR VIOLET

Sun., Nov. 13, 2 p.m. Tues., Nov. 15, 6 p.m. Callbacks (if needed) Wed., Nov. 16, TBA

FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT AUDITIONS:

All details are not set at this time. Watch for further information on the DLO website and Facebook page as arrangements and plans are finalized.

FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT VIOLET:

CAST: Script calls for 5 women and 6 men. There is also a possibility of a small gospel choir.

CHARACTERS: Character descriptions are available on the DLO website.

PERFORMANCES: Feb. 17-19, 2017

THE STORY:

This multiple award-winning musical follows a scarred woman who embarks on a cross-country bus trip to be healed by a minister, and discovers the true meaning of beauty along the way.

As a girl, Violet was struck by a wayward axe blade when her father was chopping wood, leaving her with a visible scar across her face. With enough money finally saved she's traveling across the 1964 Deep South towards a miracle: the healing touch of a TV evangelist that will make her beautiful. Along the way, she befriends two young soldiers — one white, one African-American — friendships that could grow into something more. Will Violet find the healing she seeks?

QUESTIONS?: Contact director, Jeanne Dunn, at jeanzie@gmail.com

RATINGS: DLO has given Violet a **PG-13** rating for language, mature themes and adult situations in the story.

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2016 SEASON MEMBERSHIP

Adult - \$60.00/ Student - \$35.00

This Season Membership is good for one ticket to each of our three shows during the 2016-17 season: *The Addams Family, Violet* (your choice of dinner or dessert performances), and *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*.

2016 FLEX SEASON MEMBERSHIP

Adult - \$64.00/ Student - \$36.00

This Season Membership is good for FOUR tickets for any non-dinner performances during the 2016-17 season: *The Addams Family, Violet* and *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*. EXAMPLE: This may include four tickets to any one show, or single tickets to any non-dinner shows in any combination. Dinner or dessert upgrade may be purchased for *Violet* at the time of ticket reservation.

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DLO Musical Theatre thanks you, the cast, crew and all the parents for making our summer youth shows such a wonderful success. The future leaders in our community of musical theatre are encouraged and shaped by the efforts we make each summer. We couldn't make the impact we do with the support of our members, volunteers and audience, ow we begin planning

for our next adventures with the children's and

summer teen musicals in





You know the movie, right? The stage show is even more fun! Join us April 2017 for a raucous good time!

Greetings, all! I'd like to take this opportunity first of all to thank our outgoing board



members: Chris Huffman,

Tim Kirby, Jenny Taylor and Rick Welchans for their very fine service to DLO over the past several years. We are especially grateful to Rick and Jenny, who have generously offered to continue helping us with various board activities despite having finished out their terms of office. We also welcome our new, returning and reelected board members: Karen Grove, Kelly Holden, Brittany McDaniels, Shannon Schroeder, and Sonnia Schroeder. I am very pleased to be working with all of them! It's always a fun and exciting time when we get new board members, with fresh perspectives and creative new ideas and plans.

We look forward to opening our current season with the quirky yet classic The Addams Family (just in time for Halloween), continuing with Violet's amazing story of finding true healing and love and the real meaning of beauty, and finishing out the mainstage season with the rollicking fun down at the chicken ranch in The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas. This community has such an incredible amount of fabulous talent, and we always have such fun creating musical theatre together!

We are continually adjusting to try to optimize our organization and our work, so you might expect to see a few formal opportunities in the near future to let us know your preferences and hopes for DLO Musical Theatre. Please, please do send us your thoughts and ideas we definitely want to hear from you. And if surveys, polls and reviews are not your thing, or if the feedback mechanisms we have in place are not how you'd like to reach us, please feel free to get in touch with us however best suits you.

Our greatest strength as an organization is in you, our amazing people: our patrons, participants, volunteers and community. I look forward to serving as your DLO president, and am always glad to hear from you!



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Box Office.

Our box office at the Village Mall will be open M-F, 9am—12pm

weekly.

Please get your tickets early, so there is a seat for you! You may also secure your seats through our online box office at your convenience. See you at the shows!

Tickets available online at www.dlomusicaltheatre.com or by phone at 217-431-1660.

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