

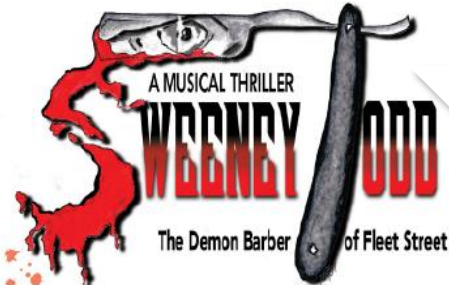
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Attend the tale of

Considered by many to be Stephen Sondheim's masterpiece, this musical has delighted and horrified audiences since it first appeared on stage in 1979. The story, though grim, is told through strong, powerful and beautiful song, iconic characters, and a pervading dark humor.



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A note
from
Matt
Hester,
Director

Sweeney Todd, the Demon Barber of Fleet Street is known as the great musical thriller of Mr. Stephen Sondheim. And, it is. But it is more than that. So much more than that.

Sweeney Todd is also a love story. Oh, I realize it may not look like it on the surface. It is dark and gruesome and bloody, but, at its core, it is a love story. "There was a barber and his wife, and she was beautiful..." are some of the first words sung by Sweeney. It is a story of lost love and broken dreams. Sweeney's very soul has been unjustly ripped away from him. He has nothing left but his anger and his unwavering hunger for justice. That's all he has left. We've all been there. Perhaps not as violently or dramatically, but we've all been unjustly wronged and yearned for justice. Sweeney's tactics are extreme, but his passion is relatable.

Rehearsals are well underway. The cast and crew are working hard to perfect every detail. Some tremendous creative minds have come together for this project. It is an extremely challenging piece in every aspect, but it has masters at the helm of every one of them. We are making magic. Make no mistake. This show will move you. You will shout with laughter and gasp in horror. But no matter what your reaction is... **you will feel.**

Please be aware that this show does contain depictions of violence and adult themes. It is really not recommended for kids. It is, however, the perfect way for grown-ups who love the intricacies of Sondheim's compositions and a really good, creepy thrill to **get in the mood for Halloween.** You might want to get a babysitter for this one.

So, are you ready for the experience? Are you ready to attend the tale of **Sweeney Todd**?

Box Office/Reservation Information on Page 2 and/or click [Reservation Info for Sweeney Todd!](#)

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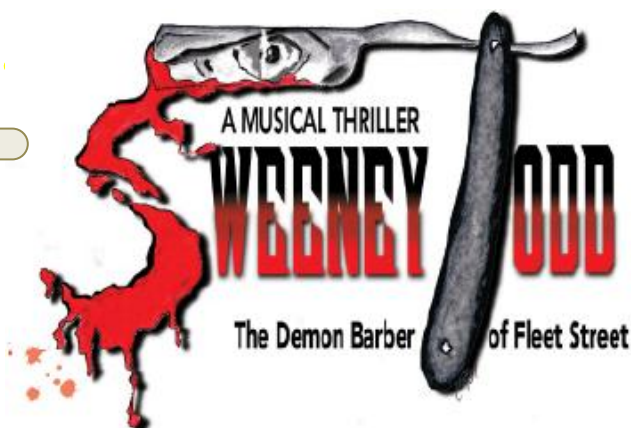
Everyone strives to obtain the best possible value for every dollar spent. This is especially true in these generally difficult economic times and strained budgets. Given that, it is always a pleasant surprise to find many of our local businesses and individuals willing to help provide the financial backing required to keep our community theater in operation. One of the hats I wear for DLO is that of "solicitor." In that guise, I am not a British lawyer, but a DLO volunteer asking people for money. It is not an easy job, because I know that there are so many others out there doing the very same thing—to the point, it sometimes seems, that there are more of us asking than there are those left to ask.

It is my experience, however, that there are many who answer my request with a hearty "Yes, we can help!" What a wonderful sound that is to hear! The point of all this is a request from me to you, our audience: **Please patronize our advertisers whenever you can**, let them know you saw their ad in the DLO program book, and you appreciate their generosity in supporting our organization. Thank our many individual donors, listed in the program, whenever you have opportunity. If you can, be a donor yourself. Come see our shows, bring your friends, and encourage them to become season members. "Yes we can help!" is a wonderful sound, but "We've sold out again!" is even better, and one that only **you** can make possible.

We thank you so much for your interest and on-going support!

Gary Lickfett, President
Danville Light Opera Board of Directors

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Adult themes.



Reservation Information

Danville Light Opera's Production of

Sweeney Todd

Saturday, October 22 — 7:30 p.m. Sunday, October 23 — 2:00 p.m.

DHS Dick Van Dyke Auditorium

Ticket prices (all performances) for nonseason subscribers:

Adults: \$19.00 Students: \$14.00

To make reservations, phone (217) 431-1660.

All tickets must be paid for at the time of reservation.

(MasterCard, Visa, and Discover Card accepted.)

Click here to see the [DHS Dick Van Dyke Auditorium Seating Chart](#).

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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A SEASON MEMBERSHIP, THERE IS STILL TIME!

Save \$18 off the price of individual show tickets! Come to the box office October 2 or 3 to purchase a season membership AND get great seats for Sweeney Todd!

Season members only:

Sunday	October 2	2:00–4:00 p.m.
Monday	October 3	6:00–8:00 p.m.

General public:

Sunday	October 9	2:00–4:00 p.m.
Monday	October 10	6:00–8:00 p.m.
Sunday	October 16	2:00–4:00 p.m.
Monday	October 17	6:00–8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	October 18	6:00–8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	October 19	6:00–8:00 p.m.

At other times, leave a message that includes your name and evening telephone number. One of our box office volunteer staff will return your call.

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Sweeney Todd

October 22 & 23, 2011

DHS Dick Van Dyke Auditorium

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