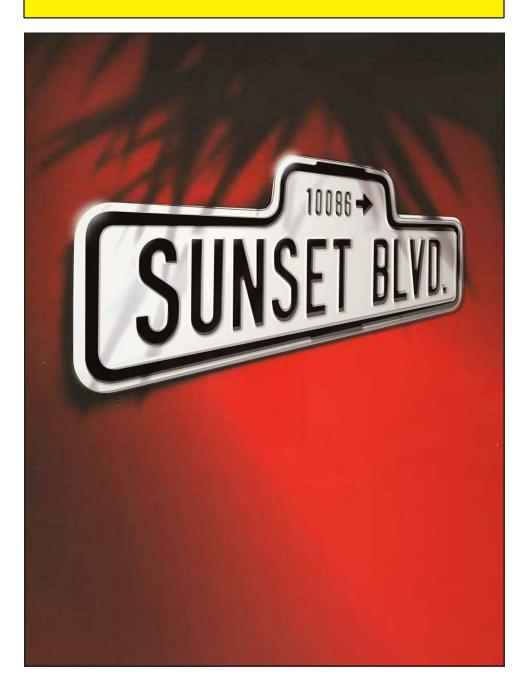
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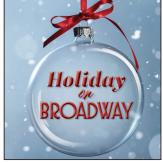
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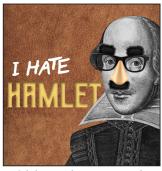
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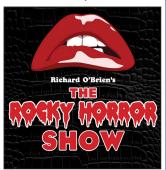
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CAST

(alphabetically by actor)

PAUL AGUIRRE Morino & Others

PHILIP CALLEN Mr. Sheldrake & Others

HELEN CLARE Heather & Others

MATT GRASSO Mr. Manfred & Others

JEFF GURNER Cecil B. DeMille & Others

LEIGH MARTHA KLINGER Joanna & Others

ELIZABETH WARD LAND Norma Desmond SANDRA MARANTE Betty Schaefer

ANDRA MARANTE Betty Schaefer
TREVOR MARTIN Joe Gillis

JAMES PATTERSON Max Von Mayerling

EMILY SOLO Mary & Others

JACOB SUNDLIE Artie Green

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ACT ONE

"Overture"	Orchestra
"Prologue"	
"Let's Have Lunch"	. Joe, Betty, Artie, Sheldrake and Ensemble
"Surrender"	Norma
"With One Look"	Norma
"Salome"	Norma and Joe
"The Greatest Star of All"	
"Schwab's Drugstore"	Joe, Betty, Artie and Ensemble
"Girl Meets Boy (Part 1)"	Joe and Betty
"Girl Meets Boy (Part 2)	Joe, Betty and Artie
"New Ways to Dream"	Joe and Norma
"The Lady's Paying"	Norma, Joe, Manfred and Salesmen
"The Perfect Year"	Norma and Joe
"This Time Next Year"	Joe, Betty, Artie and Ensemble

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ACT TWO

"Entr'acte" Orchestra
"Sunset Boulevard" Joe
"There's Been a Call" Norma and Joe
"As If We Never Said Goodbye" Norma
"Girl Meets Boy (Reprise)" Joe and Betty
"A Little Suffering" Astrologers, Masseurs, Beauticians, Analyst and Doctor
"Too Much in Love to Care" Betty and Joe
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PHILIP CALLEN (Mr. Sheldrake & Others) is thrilled to be making his MTC debut. He most recently appeared as Sidney Bruhl in Deathtrap at Legacy Theatre in Stony Creek. This December, Philip will return to St Paul, MN for his 16th straight season as George Bailey in It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play. He previously appeared in two runs of the NY Times Critic's Pick and Off-Broadway hit Honky at Urban Stages. Philip has a long career in the theatre in NYC and in the Twin Cities, Minneapolis and St. Paul. While there, he appeared at the Guthrie Theatre in 1776 and Pen, the Illusion Theater in Bill W. and Dr Bob, and played 23 roles in Wellstone!, based on the life of the late Sen. Paul Wellstone. He also has spent more than 20 years in leadership and fundraising in the non-profit sector, and now serves as a host, emcee, and auctioneer for charity events and non-profits. Philip lives in Norwalk with his wife, Laurie, and their children, Alice and Abraham.

HELEN CLARE (Heather & Others)
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Singer/Darlene U/S in Honky Tonk Angels
(Summer Theatre Of New Canaan), Suor

Angelica (Madison Lyric Stage), Snow White (Downtown Cabaret). Thank you to Kevin for this wonderful opportunity and to family, mentors, and friends! @itshelenclare itshelenclare.com

MATT GRASSO (Mr. Manfred & Others) AEA, is a CT based actor who's previous credits include It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play (George Bailey, MTC), A Christmas Carol: A Live Radio Play (Jake Laurent's, MTC), Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Zebulun, ACT of CT), The Bridges of Madison County (Michael Johnson, MTC).

JEFF GURNER (Cecil B. DeMille & Others) Past MTC appearances include Tru, Ragtime, Buddy and Falsettoland. Broadway: The Lion King. Off-Broadway/NY: Chains, Five Course Love, The London Cuckolds, The Man of Destiny, The Comedy of Errors, The Normal Heart, The Truth About Santa. Regional: Goodspeed Opera House, Gateway Playhouse, Pioneer Theatre Company, St. Louis Rep, Playmakers Rep, Papermill Playhouse, Berkshire Theatre Festival, The Ordway, Mile Square Theatre, South Coast Repertory, The Depot Theatre. TV: FBI, Homeland, The Good Wife, Nurse Jackie, Law & Order: SVU/Criminal Intent, Mercy, Rescue Me, Third Watch. Jeff is an awardwinning audiobook narrator, and has recorded hundreds of voice-overs for television and radio commercials, video games, and animated series.

LEIGH MARTHA KLINGER (Joanna & Others) is thrilled to be back on stage after these last few years! She was born and raised in Germany, studied Drama in Munich and worked throughout Europe until she finally took the leap and moved to NYC 11 years ago. Favorite credits include Beauty and the Beast, Sunset Boulevard, Curtains, Cabaret, Murder Ballad, American Idiot, We Will Rock You, Rebecca, Rudolf-Affair Meyerling, Les Miserables,



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ELIZABETH WARD LAND (Norma Desmond) Broadway: Amazing Grace, Memphis, Scandalous, The Scarlet Pimpernel, Passion, City of Angels. Tours: Les Miserables, The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Singin'in the Rain.Off-Broadway: The Bedwetter, Curvy Widow, Southern Comfort, Green Heart, Hello Again. Regional: Old Globe, Pasadena Playhouse, Alliance, Geva, Barrington Stage, Pioneer, Theatreworks. Film/TV: Young Adult, Boy Meets Girl, The Gathering; The Good Fight, Elementary, The Blacklist, Boardwalk Empire, Madam Secretary, Law & Order. Her Acclaimed Concert, Still Within The Sound Of My Voice: The Songs Of Linda Ronstadt, won the 2020 Bistro Award for Outstanding Tribute Show. @elizabethwardland

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SANDRA MARANTE (Betty Schaefer) Music Theatre of CT debut and thrilled to be part of this wonderful cast! Select Credits: Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular starring the Rockettes, In the Heights (Broadway at Music Circus, Westport Country Playhouse, Playhouse on Park), Stonewall (NYC Opera, Lincoln Center), Smokey Joe's Cafe (Ivoryton Playhouse), Man of La Mancha (Princeton Festival), TV: Bull (CBS), Quiero Ser Estrella (Univision) Evil Lives Here (Hulu). Graduate of New World School of the Arts (BM), Roosevelt University (MM), UCONN (Artist Diploma). I love you to the moon and back my baby boy Phoenix and husband Kami! Social: ig sandra_marante

TREVOR MARTIN (Joe Gillis) Regional: Sweeney Todd (Sweeney Todd), Beauty & the Beast (Beast), Les Misérables (Javert), White Christmas (Bob Wallace), Guys & Dolls (Sky Masterson), Camelot (Arthur), West Side Story (Riff), End of the Rainbow (Anthony), See What I Wanna See (Man #1), The Sound of Music (Captain Von Trapp). International: (Upcoming) The Sound of Music (Captain Von Trapp) - Broadway International Group. Additional Credits: Lotte Lenya Vocal Competition Winner, American Traditions Vocal Competition Semi-Finalist, MM University of Houston. @trevor_andrew_martin

JAMES PATTERSON (Max Von Mayerling) Broadway/National Tours: Gigi; Mary Poppins; The Drowsy Chaperone; Beauty and the Beast; Cats; and State Fair. Other credits: Georges in La Cage Aux Folles (Riverside Theatre, Pioneer Theatre Co.); Don Quixote in Man of La Mancha (Stages St. Louis); Lumiere in Beauty and the Beast (TUTS, Fulton Theatre, MSMT); Le Comte Ory (Metropolitan Opera); Barnaby Slade in Sail Away (Carnegie Hall); and Rev. Moore in Footloose (Fulton Theatre). Website: jamespattersontheactor.com. Thanks to CGF, and BJH.

EMILY SOLO (Mary & Others) is a versatile singer/actress recognized for her fearless performances in musicals, opera, plays, and film. Recently: The Sound of Music with Charlottesville Opera (Liesl); Infinite Energy (New Camerata Opera/Dixon Place); Candlelight Orchestra Greatest Showman Tour (Soloist). Other favorites: A Christmas (McCarter Carol Theatre), Threepenny Opera (Everyman Rep), Hamlet (Camden Shakespeare Festival). IG: @emmsolo www.emilysolo.com

JACOB SUNDLIE (Artie Green) Previously appeared in MTC's Ragtime. Jacob's previous professional credits include: Shawnee Playhouse, Weathervane Playhouse, Carousel Music Theater, and NCC Theatre, as well

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KEVIN CONNORS (Director, Executive Artistic Director & Co-Founder) Off-Broadway: Off-Broadway: Play Like a Winner (NYMF award-winner), Prime Time Prophet, Jukebox Saturday Night, The Abandoned Loves of Frederick R., Life Anonymous, Lover: The Valentino Musical, Babes Off Broadway, Saloon and Suzy Q. Selected regional productions: The Fantasticks, It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, Babes in Toyland, A Christmas Carol and Baby; with such stars as Joan Rivers, James Naughton, and Johnny Mathis. He has directed over 150 MTC Equity MainStage productions including Next to Normal, Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill, Falsettoland, Ragtime, Cabaret, Little Shop of Horrors, Evita, Doubt, Master Class, Gypsy, (all Connecticut Critics' Circle Award Nominations/Winners), and It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, (Moss Hart Award Winner). BroadwayWorld Award Winner as Best Director for MTC's Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, Multiple Connecticut Critics' Circle Best Director winner including MTC's Ragtime and Falsettoland, and twotime recipient of the Tom Killen Award for Outstanding Contribution to Connecticut Professional Theatre. As a composer he has penned the score for numerous musicals including It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, A Christmas Carol: A Live Radio Play and The Great Gatsby: A Live Radio Play (all published by Playscripts, Inc.), and served on the faculties of The Hartt School of Music/University of Hartford, Sacred Heart University, the University of Bridgeport and Musical Theatre Works in NYC. www.kevin-connors.com

ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER (Composer) has composed the scores of some of the world's most famous musicals. From Joseph

and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (1969) to Cinderella (2021), his work has been consistently seen on world stages. Before the COVID pandemic hit, Lloyd Webber had shows continually running in the West End for 48 years and on Broadway for 41. When Sunset Boulevard joined School Of Rock, Cats and The Phantom Of the Opera, he equalled Rodgers & Hammerstein's record of four shows running simultaneously on Broadway. He is one of the select group of artists with EGOT status, having received Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony Awards. Lloyd Webber owns seven London theatres, including the iconic London Palladium and Theatre Royal, Drury Lane. Over the past three years the latter has been completely restored and renovated at a cost of over £.60 million. It is one of the biggest projects ever undertaken by a private theatre owner in recent times. His mantra that every penny of profit made from his theatres is ploughed back into the buildings has meant that considerable work has been undertaken across his theatre portfolio during the pandemic, including the complete remodelling and reseating of the Gillian Lynne. Lloyd Webber is passionate about the importance of musical education and diversity in the arts. The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation provides 30 performing arts scholarships every year for talented students with financial need and supports a range of projects such as the Music In Secondary School Trust and commissioning research into diversity in theatre. Andrew Lloyd Webber was knighted in 1992 and created an honorary life peer in 1997. To mark his 70th birthday, his bestselling autobiography Unmasked was published by Harper Collins in March 2018.

DON BLACK (Book & Lyrics) received two Tony Awards for best book and lyrics of a musical for his work (with Christopher Hampton) on Sunset Boulevard, which marked



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his third collaboration with Andrew Lloyd Webber. They first joined forces to write the song cycle Tell Me On A Sunday which developed to form the basis of the stage show Song and Dance. They were reunited again for Aspects of Love. He also wrote the lyrics for the Andrew Lloyd Webber-produced Bombay Dreams. Awards include an Oscar for his song "Born Free," five Academy Award nominations, two Tony Awards and three Tony nominations, six Ivor Novello Awards, a Golden Globe and many platinum and gold discs. He has written a quintet of James Bond theme songs: "Thunderball," "Diamonds Are Forever," "The Man With The Golden Gun," "Surrender" from Tomorrow Never Dies and "The World Is Not Enough." Among his many popular songs are two U.S. number ones, "Ben" for Michael Jackson and "To Sir With Love" for Lulu. He was inducted in the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 2008 and recently honoured in London with a BMI Icon award. Don also received the Order of the British Empire in the Queen's honours list. Don's musical, Mrs Henderson Presents, opened in Toronto in March 2017. Don is also a regular broadcaster and has his own show on Radio Two.

CHRISTOPHER HAMPTON (Book Lyrics) works for the stage include original plays (Appomattox, The Talking Cure, White Chameleon, Tales from Hollywood, Treats, Savages, The Philanthropist, Total Eclipse and When Did You Last See My Mother?); plays adapted from novels (Ödön von Horváth's Youth Without God, Sándor Márai's Embers, Alice's Adventures Under Ground and Laclos' Les Liaisons (Sunset Boulevard. Dangereuses); musicals Dracula: The Musical and, most recently, Stephen Ward, all with Don Black); libretti (Waiting for the Barbarians, Appomattox and The Trial, all with composer Philip Glass); and many translations (Chekhov, Ibsen, Molière, Horváth, Yasmina Reza and Florian Zeller).

Hampton's screenplays include Ali and Nino, Perfect Mothers (called Adore in the U.S., based on Doris Lessing's The Grandmothers), A Dangerous Method (based on his play The Talking Cure), Chéri (from the novel by Colette), Atonement (from the novel by Ian McEwan), Imagining Argentina (which he also directed), The Quiet American (from the Graham Greene novel), The Secret Agent (from Joseph Conrad's novel, and which he also directed), Mary Reilly, Total Eclipse, Carrington, Dangerous Liaisons, The Good Father, The Honorary Consul, Tales from the Vienna Woods and A Doll's House. His television scripts include mini-series The Ginger Tree, Hôtel du Lac, The History Man, Able's Will and most recently The Thirteenth Tale, starring Vanessa Redgrave and Olivia Colman,

BILLY WILDER (Co-Writer and Director of 1950 Film) [1906-2002] was an Austrianborn American filmmaker, screenwriter, producer, artist, and journalist whose career spanned more than five decades. He is regarded as one of the most brilliant and versatile filmmakers of the Hollywood Golden Age of cinema. With The Apartment, Wilder became the first person to win Academy Awards as producer, director, and screenwriter for the same film. Wilder and I.A.L. Diamond began collaborating in 1957. Beginning with Love in the Afternoon, their partnership spanned 25 years and a dozen critically acclaimed films, including Merry Andrew; Some Like It Hot (an Oscar nomination); The Apartment; One, Two, Three; Irma La Douce; Kiss Me, Stupid; The Fortune Cookie (a second nomination); The Private Life of Sherlock Holmes; Avanti!; Fedora and Buddy Buddy.

WILL ATKIN (Sound Designer) is very excited to begin his third Season with MTC, previously running sound for Jekyll & Hyde, Always... Patsy Cline, Cabaret, and Ragtime to name a few. He has stage managed A



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CORINNEC. BROADBENT (Choreographer) is thrilled to make her choreographic debut with MTC! Some credits include: The Little Mermaid, Hairspray, James and the Giant Peach, Legally Blonde, Charlie Brown and The Wizard of Oz! Recently she performed with MTC as Trina in Falsettoland. Thanks to Allan, Phaedra, Grayson, Skye, Shea, Daniel, Kevin and Jim!

LINDSAY FUORI (Scenic Designer) is a Manhattan based Scenic Designer. Recent credits include: Le nozze di Figaro (Intermountain Opera), AMidsummer Night's Dream (Commonwealth Shakespeare Company), and Made by God (Irish Repertory Theatre). She received a Henry Award from the Colorado Theatre Guild for her work on Hazardous Materials (Creede Repertory Theatre). lindsayfuori.com

DAVID JOHN MADORE (Musical Director) is thrilled to be back, where he last music directed Fun Home. He recently music directed the Seussical Broadway Anniversary Concert at 54 Below, Falsettoland at Music Theatre of Connecticut, and Siren's Den at The Cutting Room, having just previously music directed and conducted the workshop of Moms: the Musical (live and online). Other credits: Les Miserables; Seussical (Broadway); The Fantasticks; Newsical the Musical, Cross That River; Prison Dancer; Peace Love and Cupcakes; Flight School (Off-Broadway); Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood Live!; Man of La Mancha (National Tour); Sunday In the Park With George; A Chorus Line; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Arvada

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ABBEY MURRAY (Production Stage Manager) is so excited to be stage managing for MTC! Abbey is a recent graduate of Western Connecticut State University with a degree in Stage Management and Design Technology. She recently made her Off-Broadway debut as the PSM for Reverse Transcription! She'd like to thank her loved ones for their endless support!

DAN O'DRISCOLL (Fight and Intimacy Coordinator) On Broadway: Associate Fight Director for American Buffalo, Hangmen and Pass Over; Fight Consultant on Clyde's; Assistant Fight Director on 10 other productions. Selected Off-Broadway credits: Fight Director on HIR for Playwrights Horizons; Picnic, Summer and Smoke and Come Back, Little Sheba for Transport Group; Lost Girls for MCC. For MTC: Sylvia, Ragtime, Cabaret, Jekyll & Hyde, End of the Rainbow and Sleuth. Intimacy Director/Actor Advocate for the Maryland Renaissance Festival.

RJ ROMEO (Director of Production / Lighting & Projection Designer) is the current Technical Director/Associate Director of Production at Westport Country Playhouse, and returns to MTC for his third season as DP and fourth season as resident lighting designer. He was a CT Critics' Circle nominee for Best Projection Design for last season's The Mountaintop, and other past MTC credits include Cabaret, Ragtime, Steel Magnolias,

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SEAN SANFORD (Prop Designer) is a Prop Designer and Theater Artist based in NYC. Previously at MTC Sean was the Props Supervisor and Scenic Charge for Tru. Other credits include Assistant Prop Supervisor at Westport Country Playhouse, New York Theater Workshop, and the Classical Theater of Harlem, he is also on the Props team at Blue Man Group, NYC. Sean is thrilled to be back making Theater with MTC. To see more of his work go to seansanforddesign.com

JIM SCHILLING (Managing Director, Co-Founder) co-founded Music Theatre of CT in 1987 and is currently MTC's Managing Director and Director of the School of Performing Arts. MTC acting credits include Jacques Brel is Alive and Well..., Three Guys Naked from the Waist Down, Yours, Anne, It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, Doubt, Almost, Maine, God of Carnage, The Fantasticks, Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike, The 39 Steps, Cat on a Hot Tin Roof and most recently, Sylvia. He was nominated for a CT Critics Circle award for Herr Shultz in Cabaret and winner of the BroadwayWorld award for Cat on a Hot Tin Roof. He continues as a Blue Ribbon Panelist for the Daytime Emmy Awards, and is on the voting committee for the SAG awards, and a member of "Who's Who in the American Theatre" from 1991-present. Jim was also an adjunct professor at Sacred Heart University (Advanced Acting, Advanced Scene Study, Script Analysis and Directing) where he was recently nominated Best Director of a musical for his work on Godspell.

DIANE VANDERKROEF (Costume Design) has been the resident costume designer for MTC MainStage and MTC School of Performing Arts since 2006. In the past she also worked with Kevin Connors on Babes in Toyland at the Stamford Center for the Arts. She did designs for the Connecticut Grand Opera, including Elixer of Love, Don Giovanni and Don Pasquale. She has also been designer for Downtown Cabaret Theatre's MainStage and Children's Company, as well as various musicals for New England Lyrical Operetta. When not designing, Diane is a flight attendant for Delta Airlines.

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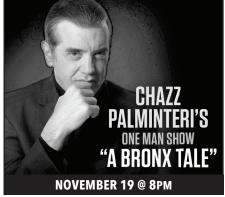
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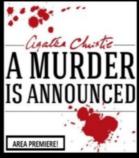


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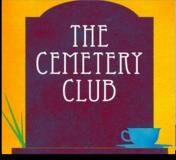












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