

Please allow me to introduce myself: I'm Eric Rudy, the General Manager of Home Made Theater. I moved to Saratoga Springs in January of 2018 and became involved with Home Made Theater almost immediately. I was warmly welcomed and I knew I had found my new theater home!

I have always treasured my experience with Community Theater. In fact, I would not be where I am now without it. My participation in theatrical productions gave me valuable life skills: it taught me teamwork; I developed creative thinking and problem solving skills; I gained confidence. In short, it gave me a community where I was valued and appreciated.



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At Home Made Theater our mission is to enrich the thriving cultural life of the Capital Region and beyond by offering a diverse range of locally sourced live theater created by professionally minded artists, providing the opportunity for exciting and rewarding participation in all aspects of theater to the community. Our vision is to present diverse, year-round programming and to cultivate civic pride and tradition in our community-based organization. We want to be recognized nationally as the region's center for locally sourced live theater. We would like to provide emerging artists the opportunity to have their work seen by the public through competitions, festivals and workshops, and to offer a theater arts education program for all ages which meets the changing needs of our community.



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I'm asking you to help us achieve all of our goals by making a financial contribution to Home Made Theater.

Why should you support Home Made Theater?
Because nothing is *better* than Home Made!



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Last year, with the help of your contributions, we were able to bring you four outstanding productions at the Spa Little Theater as well as the Regional Premier of *Frozen, Jr.*, through our Youth Musical



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Conservatory. We added a second conservatory production of *Once on This Island, Jr.*, presented in the round at Saratoga Arts during the summer. We revived two programs: the *Shuster Series* after a one year hiatus and *HMT to Go*, which had virtually been forgotten. Both programs are a success and this year we have plans for **two HMT to Go** productions! All of which was possible because of your generous support.

Your gifts helped us sustain the quality of work here at Home Made Theater. But it isn't enough! We can do more. We want to continue to make improvements to our sound and lighting systems. We want to bring you more mainstage productions that represent our diverse community, changing times and social challenges. We want to expand our educational programs to give more opportunities to young artists.

You can help us do more by making a contribution. Your \$25 donation could cover the cost of two play scripts or one hour of instructor fees; perhaps a two-fer or stage cable adapter (both used in lighting). \$50 might be used for one hundred feet of sound cable or a gallon of scenic paint. \$100 covers the royalties for *one* performance of a play. The list goes on and on.

Yes, your donations help us reach our goals, but there is more work to be done! You can also give of yourself. You can get involved. Join a committee. Volunteer. Stop by and say hello! You are our family and we want to get to know you! If you aren't already part of our family, I hope that you will join us, and if you are, please continue to help us further our efforts.

It's easy to make a contribution or to get involved. Just visit our website, www.homemadetheater.org, or give us a call, 518-587-4427. You can also use the enclosed envelope!

Thank you for your support and welcome to the family!

Sincerely,



Eric Rudy, General Manager
Home Made Theater



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