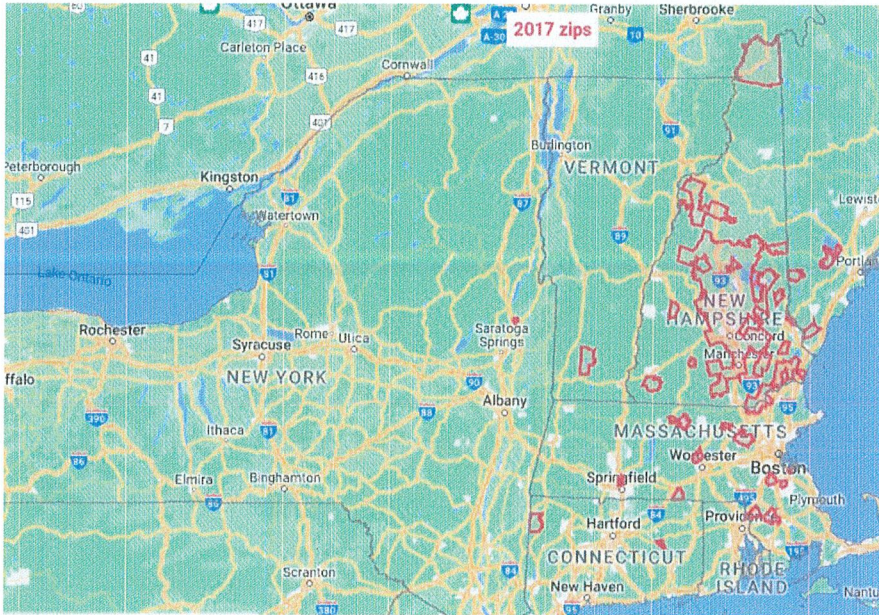




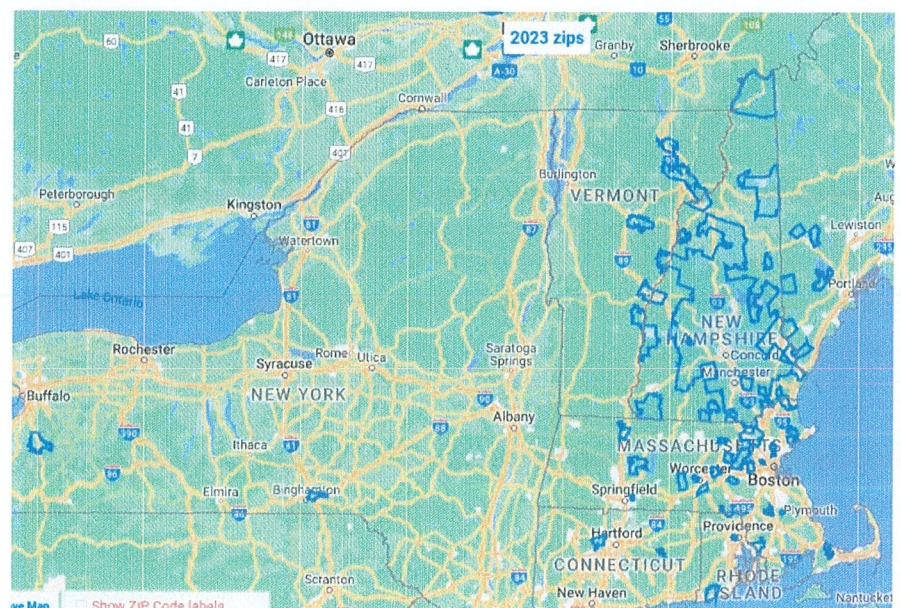
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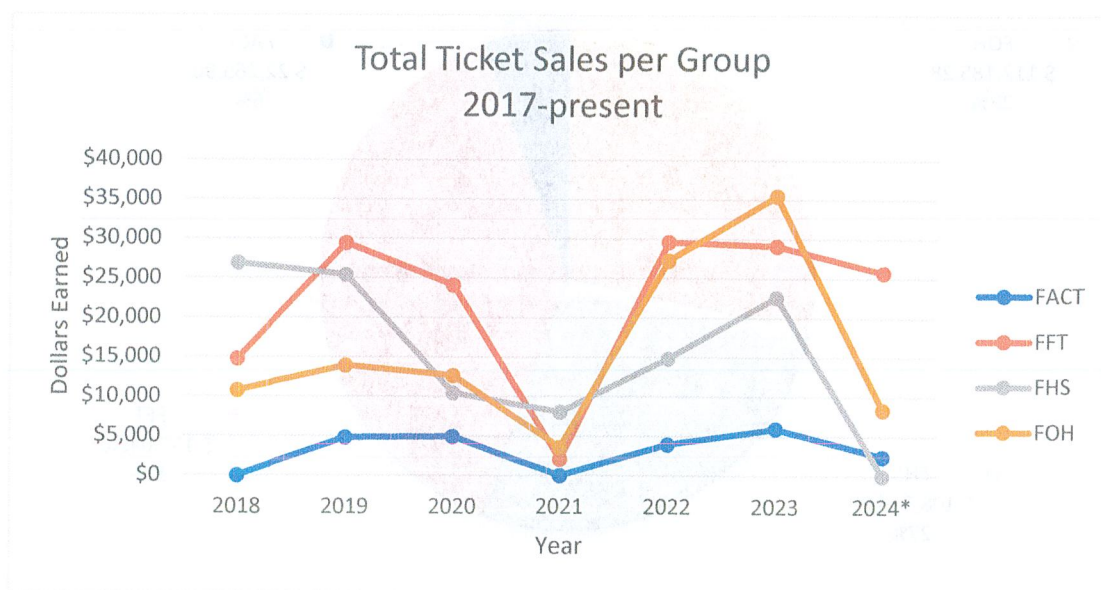
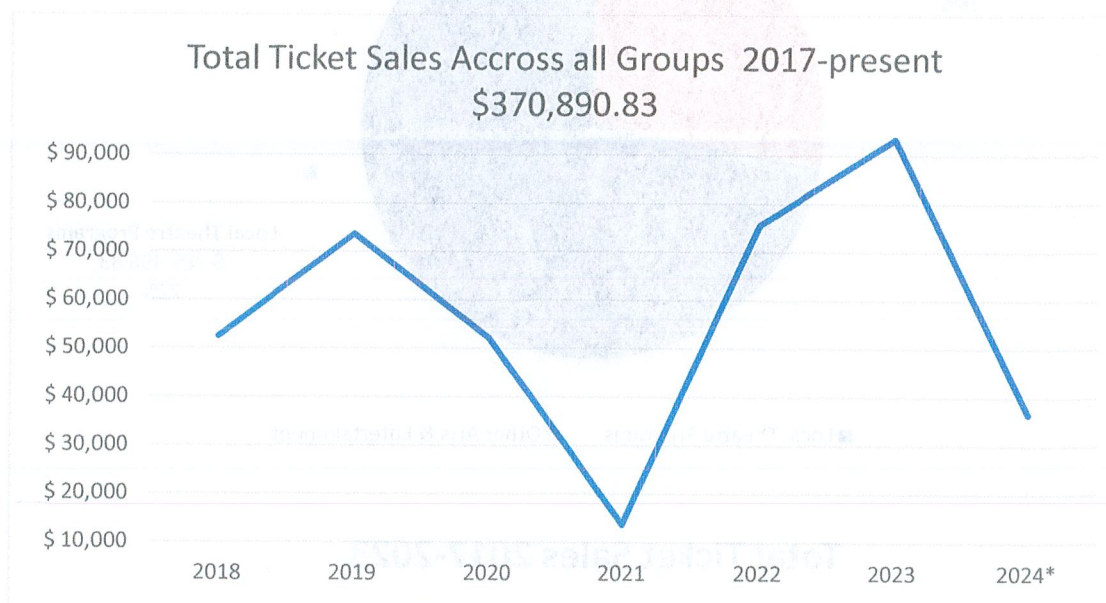
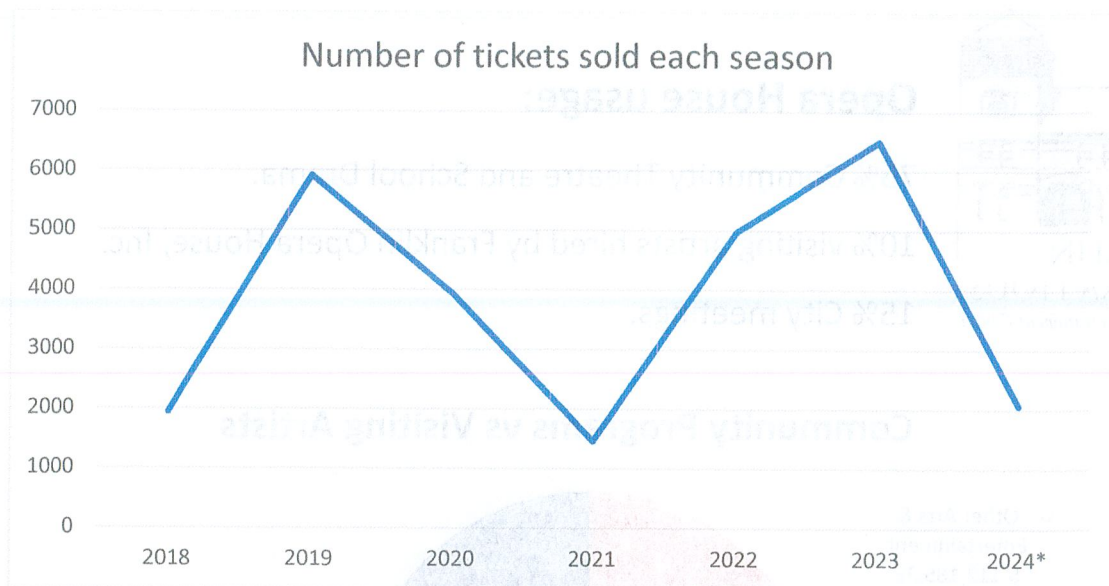
In the 2017-2018 season, online ticket buyers came from 97 zip codes.



In the most recent season, online ticket buyers came from 225 zip codes.

That's a
132% increase
in audience reach!







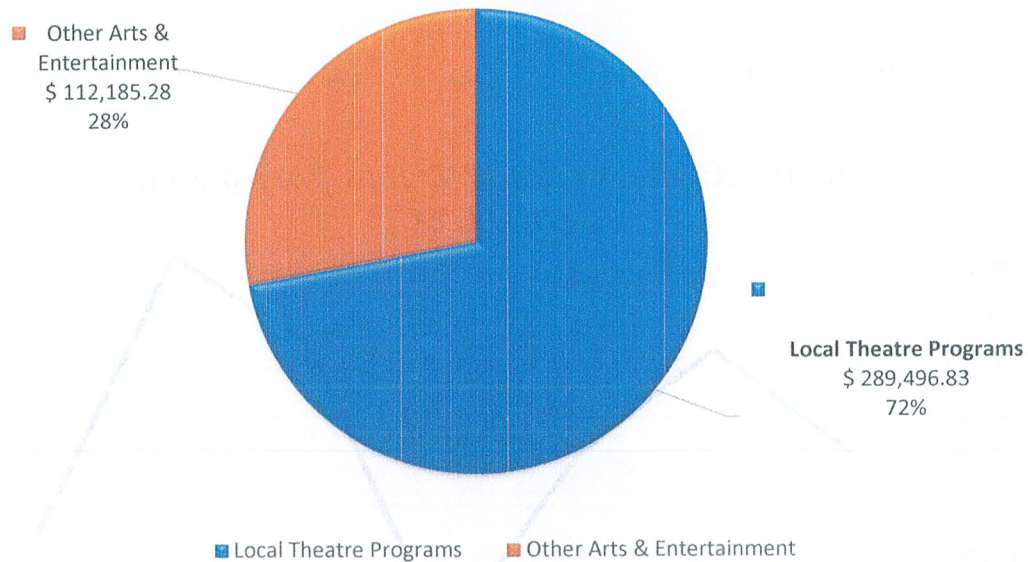
Opera House usage:

75% Community Theatre and School Drama.

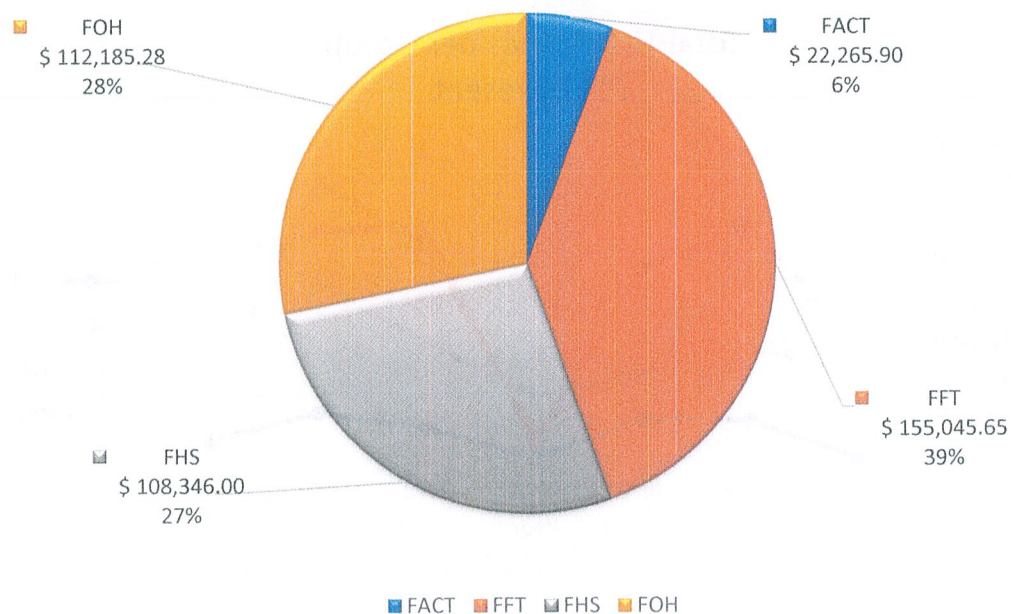
10% visiting artists hired by Franklin Opera House, Inc.

15% City meetings.

Community Programs vs Visiting Artists



Total Ticket Sales 2017-2023





Effect on Local Business

Some local businesses were asked if they have noticed a difference in patronage since the last show at the Opera House in July. Here's what they had to say.

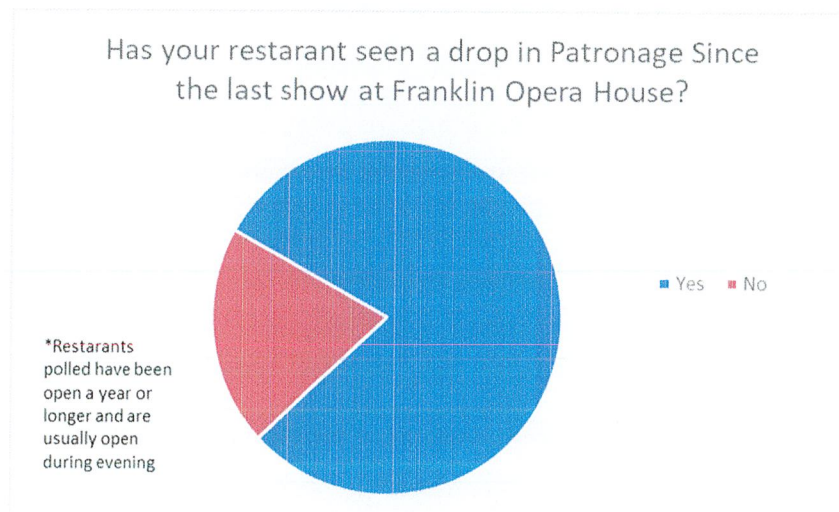
Waterhorse Irish Pub: "Definitely busy before and after Beauty & the Beast. Not terribly busy during Addams Family, before or after. Not necessarily a decrease but definitely NOT an increase over the summer into fall. People could come to get a drink, then go to the show, like with "Beauty & the Beast."
- Douglas (Host/Waitstaff)-

Asian Delight: When there is a show, people would come in before a show to eat. Definitely a slowdown since August. -Jin (Owner)-

Al's Village Pizza: "Not seen a decrease" -Al (owner)

Vulgar Brewing: "As far as Friday and Saturday Night dinner rushes, all the bartenders and waitstaff have noticed a definite drop in patronage, compared to when a show is running." -Zach (Bartender)

Kettlehead: "Yes. Since September, we have seen a drop. During events, people would come in before and after the show." -Anthony (Bartender/Waitstaff)



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30 Years of Theater!!

For 30 years, the FHS Players have been producing shows. They started in 1994 on the FHS Cafeteria Stage with *You Can't Take It With You* and then took *Taming of the Shrew* to the NHETG Festival, winning Regionals! They finished that year with a full scale musical, after cleaning the gym stage, and produced *Once Upon a Mattress*.

From there, Footlight was born in the summer of 1995 with *Nunsense*. It quickly caught on, and although Footlight spent their first few summers renting Hamilton Hall at Tilton Prep (1996- 1998), Laconia High School (1999) and using St. Paul's (2000), they were able to grow when they were gifted the Opera House in 2001 with their production of *Oliver!* Footlight and the FHS Players were then able to expand and while FHS Players continued 3 productions a year, the theater classes from FHS moved their 3-4 class performances there, and Footlight increased to 3 shows a year. A 4th performance was added when they partnered with the Opera House to produce a sold out *Murder Mystery* each year as a fundraiser. In 2005, the Opera House balcony was reopened and the arts continued to increase!

In 2007, the Opera House started FACT (Franklin Area Children's Theater) in partnership with Casey Family Services and the Rec Department. This program produced summer theater camps and hired teen interns as mentors to kids in grades K-8. In 2013, a K-12 Arts Integration Musical was added each spring for the entire school district to allow all kids a chance to experience performing and learning from each other. Throughout all of this growth and change, the arts have continued to impact and influence positive change in thousands of our youth and adults. It is crucial that we all continue to support the arts and the return of our Opera House, so that there is a cultural hub for this work to continue and to be shared with our community.

Why Theater?

If you have never experienced it yourself, you do not know the truly magical and transformative experience that theater is. In a world driven by screens and technology, it is crucial to recognize the immense value of theater in the lives of our children and adults.

Theater is not just about entertaining or putting on a show; it is an art form that nurtures the mind, heart, and imagination. It serves as a platform where people can explore the depths of their creativity and express themselves freely. Through theater, they learn to communicate, collaborate, and build a sense of community. The skills they acquire on the stage extend far beyond the spotlight; they become lifelong tools for success. One of the most significant benefits of theater is its ability to enhance one's self-confidence and self-esteem. Stepping onto a stage, delivering lines, and embodying a character instills a sense of empowerment. Theater provides a safe and supportive environment for someone to conquer their fears, overcome shyness, and discover their own unique voice. It teaches them that their thoughts and ideas are valuable, encouraging them to embrace their individuality with pride.

Moreover, theater fosters empathy and emotional intelligence. As young performers and technicians immerse themselves in diverse roles and stories, they gain a deeper understanding of the human experience. They learn to put themselves in someone else's shoes, developing compassion and the ability to see the world from different perspectives. These invaluable lessons of empathy extend to their interactions with others, making our society more compassionate and inclusive.

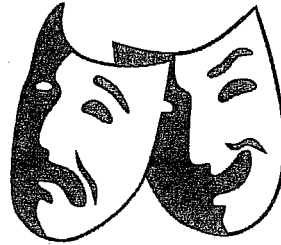
Theater is also a powerful tool for honing critical thinking and problem-solving skills. When you participate in theater, you are constantly faced with challenges, both on and off the stage. You

must think on your feet, adapt to unexpected situations, and work collaboratively to find solutions. These skills translate into academic pursuits and future careers, equipping people to tackle the complexities of an ever-evolving world.

Furthermore, theater offers a sanctuary for imagination. In a world where screens dictate much of our attention, the stage becomes a realm where creativity thrives. It encourages people to dream big, to explore limitless possibilities, and to think outside the box. Through theater, you learn to embrace your innate curiosity, igniting a lifelong love for learning and exploration. By supporting theater, we invest in holistic development. We empower people to become confident, empathetic, and resilient individuals who will shape the future with their unique perspectives and talents.

Our Opera House is a platform to showcase these talents and has become a safe haven for numerous children, teenagers and adults to thrive, create and find family. The Opera House and the programming has nurtured young artists and cultivated a diverse and vibrant arts community. By preserving it, we ensure that these opportunities continue to exist and foster the growth of future generations. The Opera House also provides a venue for community engagement and social cohesion. It brings people together, transcends cultural and social barriers and provides a space where individuals can share in the joy of artistic performances. All of this focuses on the impact inside the building and doesn't even begin to address the financial impact outside the building on the downtown area businesses in promoting economic growth and tourism. The street traffic alone enhances the pulse of the city.

Our Opera House is a transformative power and without it, the only thing we ensure is the guarantee that everything it has provided over the last 25 years will be lost.



FHS Player's History

1994: You Can't Take It With You
1995: The Taming of the Shrew (NHETG Winner!)
1995: Once Upon a Mattress
1995: You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown
1996: Cinderella? (NHETG)
1996: Little Shop of Horrors
1997: Comedy of Errors (NHETG)
1997: Curtain Going Up!
1998: Frumpled Fairy Tales (NHETG)
1998: Never Mind What Happened, How Did it End?
1999: Bye Bye Birdie
2000: Grease!
2000: The Face on the Barroom Floor
2001: You Can't Take It With You
2001: South Pacific
2002: Robin Hood
2002: Into the Woods
2003: West Side Story
2003: The Wizard of Oz
2004: A Midsummer Night's Dream (with FFT)
2004: Guys and Dolls
2005: Hankerin' Hillbillies
2005: 60's Mania
2006: Reasonable Circulation (NHETG)
2006: The Wild, Wild, Wildest West
2006: Grease
2007: Frumpled Fairy Tales (NHETG Winner!)
2007: Afraid of the Dark
2007: Footloose
2008: Hard Candy (NHETG Winner!)
2008: Seussical the Musical
2009: High School Musical
2009: The Least Offensive Play in the Whole Wide World (NHETG)
2009: Aida

2010: Godspell
2010: Conversation Therapy (NHETG Winner! - student directed- Rosemary Pelletier)
2010: You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown
2011: Annie
2011: Unhappily Ever After (NHETG)
2011: The Best of Carol Burnett
2012: Happy Daze
2012: To Burn a Witch (NHETG - student directed- Sarah Gontarski)
2012: The Fantasticks
2012: Who's Dying to Be a Millionaire? (student directed)
2013: Find Me (NHETG Winner! - student directed- Jessica Turgeon)
2013: The Wiz
2013: Dr. Evil and the Basket of Kittens (student directed- Ben Heath)
2014: Pepperoni Apocalypse (NHETG - student directed-)
2014: Shrek the Musical
2014: Rememberin' Stuff (student directed)
2015: Wicked Queen (student directed)
2015: Dependent (NHETG - student written/directed)
2015: Beauty and the Beast
2015: Swing of the Sea (student directed)
2016: I Never Saw Another Butterfly (NHETG Winner! - student directed)
2016: Cinderella
2016: The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood
2017: Drama Competition (NHETG - student directed)
2017: The Little Mermaid
2017: Murder at The Goon Show
2018: Between the Lines (NHETG)
2018: Seussical!
2018: Grease
2019: A Rare Condition (NHETG Winner!)
2019: Mary Poppins
2019: Newsies
2020: The Magic of Madness
2020: Midsummer Jersey
2021: Sweeney Todd
2021: Matilda the Musical
2022: The Chili Haunts Me Still (NHETG)
2022: School of Rock
2022: Little Shop of Horrors
2023: The Specialist (NHETG- student directed)
2023: The Wizard of Oz
2023: The Addams Family (Combined with FFT)
2024: Mean Girls



Franklin Footlight Theatre History



- 1995: Nunsense
1996: Fiddler on the Roof
1997: Carousel
1998: Annie
1998: Nunsense
1999: The Wiz
2000: Cinderella
2000: Mandate for Murder
2000: Tales of a Frontier Photographer
2001: Godspell (Winner of Best Show & Best Director at NHCTA! (New Hampshire Community Theater Association))
2001: Oliver!- First show performed in the Franklin Opera House!!!
2002: A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum (Nomination for Top 10 Best Actor and Actress with NHTA)
2002: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
2002: Lend Me a Tenor
2003: Brighton Beach Memoirs
2003: Tom Sawyer
2003: A Midsummer Night's Dream
2004: Cheaper by the Dozen
2004: Seven Brides for Seven Brothers
2004: Into the Woods
2005: Moon Over Buffalo
2005: Beauty and the Beast (Winner for Best Supporting Actor and Nomination for Top 3 Best Actors with NHTA)- Reopening of the Balcony at the Opera House!!!
2005: Chicago
2006: Little Shop of Horrors
2006: Oklahoma!
2006: Cabaret (Nomination for Top 10 Best Actress and Best Choreographer with NHTA)
2007: Laundry & Bourbon (Winner of Best Supporting Actress with NHCTA)
2007: Noises Off! (Nomination for Top 10 Best Set Designs with NHTA)
2007: The Sound of Music
2007: Pippin (Nominations for Top 10 Best Choreographer, Best Sound and Best Costumes with NHTA)
2008: I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change
2008: Peter Pan
2008: Hello Dolly!
2008: Steel Magnolias
2009: Urinetown

2009: All Shook Up
2009: Sweet Charity
2010: You Can't Take It With You
2010: Wedding Singer
2010: And Then There Were None
2011: Curtains
2011: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
2011: Little Me
2012: Full Frontal Nudity
2012: Bye Bye Birdie
2012: A Christmas Carol
2013: The Foreigner
2013: How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying
2013: Crazy for You
2014: Arsenic and Old Lace
2014: Footlight Flashback (20 Year Revue)
2014: Run For the Hills (Original Musical)
2015: An Evening of One Acts
2015: Godspell (2012 Revival)
2015: Aida
2016: An Delightful Assortment of One Act Plays
2016: The Addams Family
2016: Haphazardly Ever After
2017: Rumors
2017: Sister Act
2017: It's A Wonderful Life
2018: Almost, Maine
2018: Legally Blonde
2018: Miracle on 34th Street
2019: Singin' in the Rain
2019: Mamma Mia!
2019: A Gift to Remember
2020: 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee
2020: The Little Town of Christmas
2021: The Good Doctor
2021: Disaster!
2021: Elf the Musical
2022: Little Women
2022: Something Rotten
2022: Monstersongs
2022: Holiday One Acts
2023: The Carol Burnett Collection
2023 - Beauty and the Beast

2023: Addams Family- Co Production with FHS
2024: Nunsense



Footlight Production- And Then There Were None



Summer 2022 Production of Something Rotten

FACT HISTORY: 16 Years and Going Strong!!

2007:	101 Dalmatians Kids
2008:	Jungle Book Kids
2009:	Aladdin Jr.
2010:	Mulan Jr.
2011:	Honk Jr.
2012:	<i>I Believe in Me!</i> A FACT original written by the cast! & Seussical Jr.
2013:	A FACT original & Alice in Wonderland Jr.
2014:	A FACT original & The Little Mermaid Jr.
2015:	<i>Rumpelstiltskin</i> & My Son Pinocchio Jr.
2016:	<i>The Magic in Me</i> & Willy Wonka Jr.
2017:	<i>The Rockin' Tale of Snow White</i> & Annie Jr.
2018:	<i>The Big Bad Musical</i> & Madagascar Jr.
2019:	<i>Kamp Kaos</i> & Frozen Jr.
2020:	COVID 19
2021:	<i>Get Up and Go</i> & Moana Jr.
2022:	<i>Rainbow Fish</i> & Lion King Jr.
2023:	Finding Nemo Jr.

History of Teen Interns: (many served 3 or more years)

Ila Bartenstein	Kaylah Barton	Beki Bean
Destiny Belanger	Destiny Mae Bennett	Destiny Starr Bennett
Eian Bergeron	Hannah Bergeron	Elizabeth Beveridge
Mark Bitetto	Alex Blanchette	Mat Blouin
Krystal Boynton	Kyle Boynton	Josh Bradley
Molly Brown	Garrett Cain	Sapphira Carrier
Amanda Carter	Courtney Carter	Jordan Carter
Roger Carter	Ashley Chaplain	Shannon Clapp
Krishna Clark	Shannon Clark	Addison Clifford
Jeremy Corning	Meagan Corning	Jen Creasey
Josh Cross	Jonathan Daniel	Matt Daniel
Lindsey Denningham	Derek de Sousa	Ashlee Dimond
Kris Droney	Salena Durette	Chandler Glover

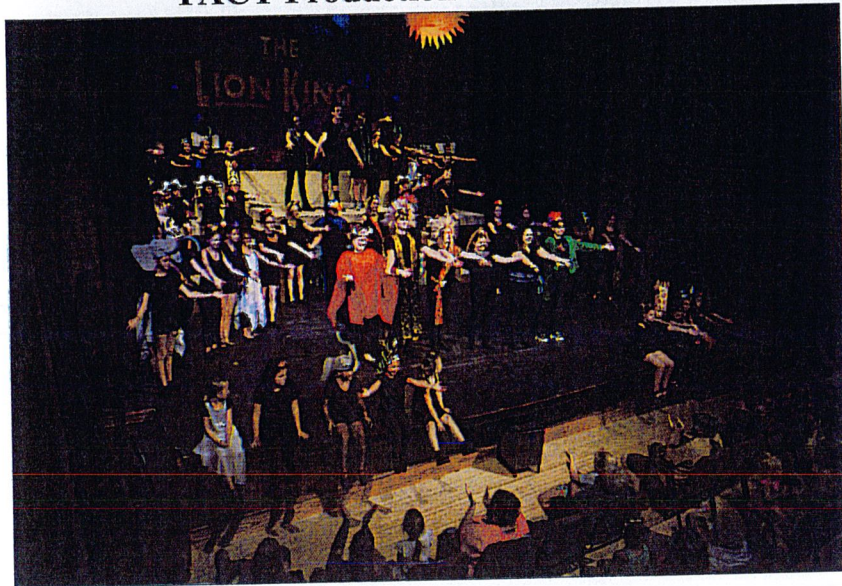
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Justin Keith
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John Masse
Cameron Moquin
Jacqui Paciorek
Rosemary Pelletier
Chelse Proulx
Gavin Riley
Drey Saucier
RJ Soboslai
Cheyenne Teeter
Tia Turgeon
Amanda Wason
Jillian Wood
Kayley Sargent
Natalie Hoover
Andrew Gagnon
Paige Colburn
Zoe Sylvester
Libby Femenella
Destiny Emery
Jenny Wood
Noah Roper
Hannah Forge**

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Kaitlyn Grant
Mikayla Henry
James Jason
McKenzie LaBrecque
Clarissa Martin
Michael McLaughlin
Sydney Moquin
Norman Paquette
Siobhan Piercey
Shawn Rayno
Zach Riel
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Jillian Swett
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Olivia Mills
Laryssa Humphrey
James Wood
Jessy Wood
Noah Roper
Tucker Fleury
Arden Greenrod
Lexi DiPalma**

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Addison Granger
Ashley Hanson
Luis Hernandez
Mary Kaye
Aurea LaFlamme
Kyle Mason
Makayla Mitchell
Katie Nadeau
Hayden Peterson
Emily Post
Todd Richardson
Riley Roper
Madi Smith
Kaitlyn Sullivan
Jessica Turgeon
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Brooke Fifield
Molly Dexter
Kaleb Platanitis
Olivia Sylvester
Angelia LaBrecque
Leah Cote
Ellie Zink
Liz Barrington
Lexi Danforth**



FACT Production of Frozen Jr.



FACT Production of Lion King Jr.