



Artistry Community Theatre, Inc. News

# AUDITIONS FOR DEVILISH MUSICAL COMEDY!

**Clintonville, NEW YORK** – Artistry Community Theatre (ACT) announces auditions for the musical comedy: *Damn Yankees*. Auditions will be held at the AuSable Valley Middle-High School Auditorium in Clintonville, NY April 22 & 23. *Damn Yankees* is directed by Derrick A. Hopkins with music direction by Elisha Harrington and choreography by Terpsie Toon. Jeanette Woodruff leads the orchestra and Annie-Laurie Lemieux assistant directs and stage manages. Assistant direction and technical support by Matt Snyder with lighting and sound by Michael Rafferty. Additional lighting support by Shane Shuknecht. Costumes by Linda Murphy and Brianna Murphy. Front of house organized by Corey Wheat.

Middle-aged baseball fanatic Joe Boyd, trades his soul to the Devil, also known as Mr. Applegate, for a chance to lead his favorite team to victory in the pennant race against the New York Yankees. As young baseball sensation, Joe Hardy, he transforms the hapless Washington Senators into a winning team, only to realize the true worth of the life that he's left behind. Joe ultimately outsmarts Applegate, returns to his former self and shepherds the Senators to the World Series. Written by Douglass Wallop and George Abbott. Music and Lyrics by Jerry Ross and Richard Adler. Featuring a devilish score including “Shoeless Joe from Hannibal, MO,” “Heart,” “A Little Brains, A Little Talent,” “Whatever Lola Wants,” “Two Lost Souls” and more!



“After the success of our spring play, presenting a musical comedy simply makes sense,” stated director, Derrick A. Hopkins. “*Damn Yankees* is a classic, musical comedy, which is part of the Golden Age of musicals from the 1950s. Great music. Hilarious jokes. Pure entertainment!” He continued, “With a large cast and countless roles for adults, teens, and kids, Artistry is looking to fill the stage with talented people. It truly is an ensemble show: every role with plenty of stage time!” He concludes, “I am so excited to announce that Artistry Community Theatre is the proud recipient of the ART NY: Alliance of Resident Theatres grant. This grant will assist in paying our artists. And, oh boy, do we have a dynamic team leading this musical. Plus, this grant allows us to pay the actors! Since our inception, we have wanted to provide compensation to our actors. We are so thrilled to be able to provide a small stipend to all of our performers this summer!”

*Damn Yankees* has over 40 roles available (doubling likely). Leading roles include Applegate, Lola, Joe Hardy, Gloria, Meg Boyd, and Joe Boyd. Featuring the singing and dancing Washington Senators baseball team led by team manager, Van Buren. Other roles include Sister, Doris, the Commissioner, Miss Welch, and more!



Auditions will be held at the AuSable Valley Middle-High School auditorium in Clintonville, NY, April 22-23, 2023. Acting and dance auditions will be held on April 22 with singing auditions on April 23 (both starting at 1pm). All music and acting sides can be found when filling out the audition form. The dance audition will be taught on site. The audition form can be found on our website ([www.artistrytheatre.org](http://www.artistrytheatre.org)) or email [info@artistrytheatre.org](mailto:info@artistrytheatre.org).