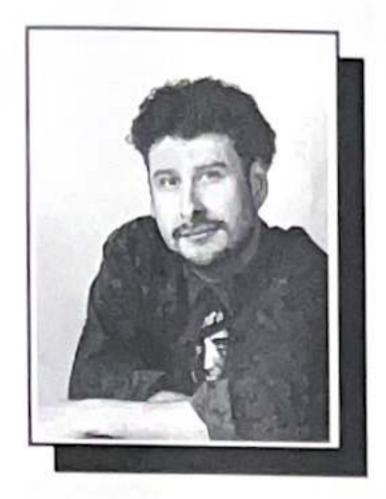
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## Director's Comments



## The Sound of Mainstage?

Well really, who would have thought ten years ago that a little production of Grease would turn into something like this? It's not spring unless the sound of music—from some Mainstage musical or another—is heard ringing in the Foothills. Sellout after sellout has turned into standing ovation after standing ovation and your support as patron and business owner has allowed us to do something that is truly exceptional. Over the past decade, Mainstage has become one of the largest and most respected high school programs in Canada. In 1995, The Canadian Teachers Federation—Canada's national organization for teachers—rated Mainstage as one of Canada's top ten most innovative educational projects. The past ten years has been a whirlwind of energy, artistic passion, dedication, hardwork and growth. Everything that life has to offer is a metaphor for Mainstage.

The Sound of Mainstage has been heard ringing in our town and it is deeply entrenched in the fabric of our community. Many people have supported us by seeing every show we have produced! We love seeing you back every year. Did you know, dear patron, that your ticket price of \$12.00 - \$15.00 actually costs us over \$40.00 in production expenses? Guess who picks up the rest of the tab—not the public purse I assure you! It's all those sponsors you see in our program tonight. The small businesses in Okotoks have always come through and have allowed us to be the envy of communities for miles around. When you support our local businesses, your dollars are recycled back into your community; Mainstage is a classic example of that. And to the 40 new sponsors this year, Welcome Aboard. We know you'll love the show.

The Sound of Mainstage has been heard over the decade by some very dedicated directors over the years. The professional expertise that these people have shared in the personal "honing of their craft" is the secret to our success. To Marg, Kathie, Tracey, Michelle, Brandie, Ronda, Karin, Terry, Sheila and Phyllis—you are the strength and the force. People like you add a spirit to this world, you make life a beautiful thing for us all! And to Elaine, we place the problems of the world on your shoulders. Your passion, your integrity and your love for kids and learning is a beacon of strength for us all to aspire towards.

The Sound of Mainstage has been heard ringing in the ears of many parents and Guild members. Funny how when we hold a general meeting, we're scrambling for extra chairs to meet the demand. Funny how you in record numbers make Mainstage the success it is through catering meals, marketing, make-up and so forth. Funny how even though your kids are in those delicate "teen years" where they would rather die then see you in public—even though this is the "norm"—your kids love having you being involved in something so important in their lives—kind of a strange new "norm" wouldn't you say? And isn't it funny, how your kid just seems to stay out of the really big trouble that makes the news these days. Hmmm...

And finally, The Sound of Mainstage is a gift that rings in the heart of every true Mainstager past and present. Only you can truly understand what the Sound of Mainstage is, you hear it in your dedication, your passion, with your commitment and on your honor—that is the base of the spirit. Sometimes the road is hard and difficult, but your collective strength, climbs ev'ry mountain. On behalf of all your directors, we have been honored to be part of your growth throughout your high school years.

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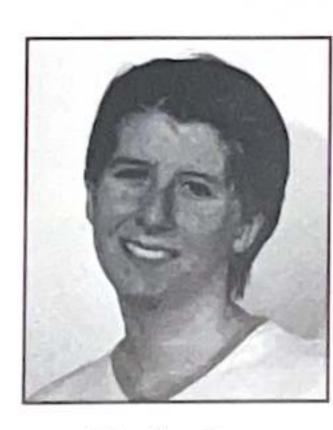
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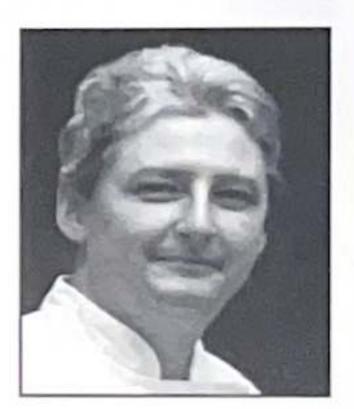
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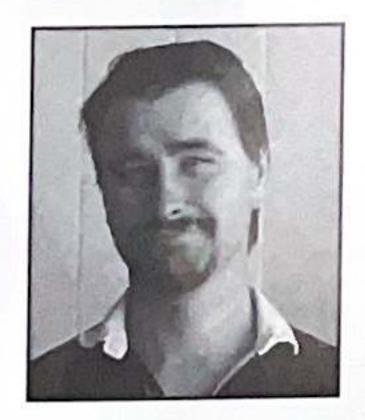
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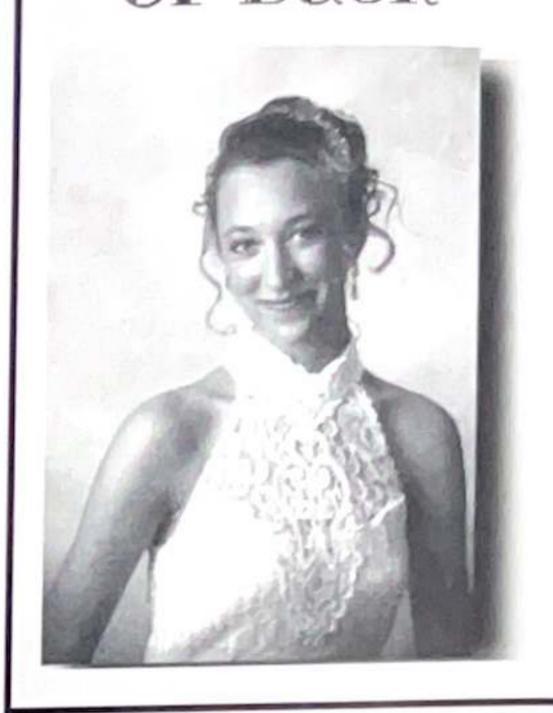
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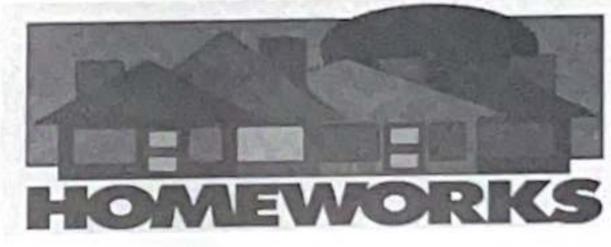


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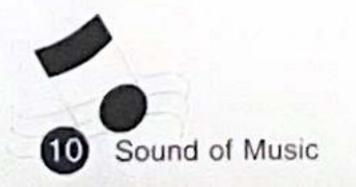


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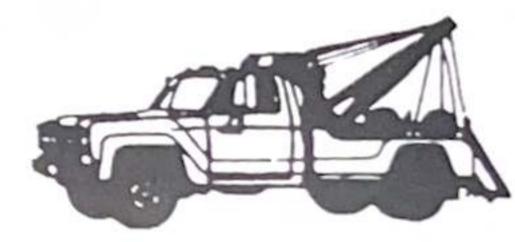


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### Program

#### synopsis of scenes

Time: 1938

Place: Salzburg Austria, on the eve of the Anschluss\*

#### Act One (running time 60 min.)

Scene 1 - Nonnberg Abbey

1. Preludium (Mother Superior & Nuns)

a.Dixit Dominus

b.Morning Hymn

c.Angelus Bells

d.Alleluia

Scene 2 - In the hills of the Austrian Alps.

1. The Sound of Music ......(Maria)

Scene 3. - Nonnberg Abbey.

How do you solve a \_\_\_\_\_\_(Mother Superior & Nuns)

metablem like Maria

a. Reprise \_\_\_\_\_\_(Mother Superior)

2. I Have Confidence (Maria)

Scene 4 - In the living room of Captain Von Trapp.

Scene 5 - Later that evening at dinner.

1. Do-Re-Mi (Maria & Full Company)

Scene 6 - In the Gazeba.

Sixteen Going on Seventeen ..... (Rolf & Liest)

Scene 7 - Maria's Bedroom.

1. My Favorite Things ...... (Maria & Children)

a. Encore (Maria)

### Act Two (running time 60 min.) --six weeks later on the eve of the Anschluss---

Scene 1 - The Terrace of the Von Trapp Villa

1. How Can Love Survive ...... (Max & Elsa)

2. The Sound of Music Reprise ..... (Von Trapp & Children)

3. The Sound of Music Encore ...... (Von Trapp & Maria)

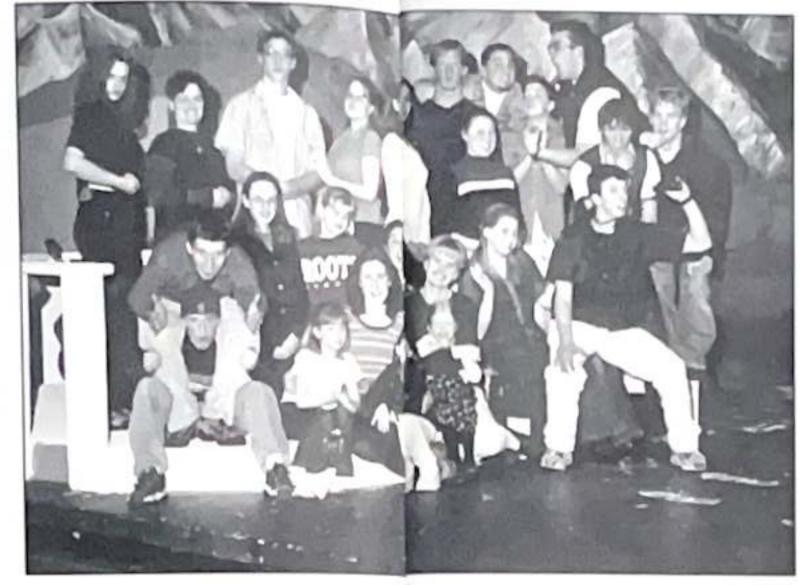
Scene 2 - The Black-Tie Garden Ball on the Von Trapp Terrace

1. The Lander ...... (Instrumental)

2. So Long, Farewell ...... (The Von Trapp Children)

3. The Grand Waltz ......(Instrumental)

#### The Leads





The Von Trapps

Act Three (running time 30 min.)
--immediately following the Anschluss--

Scene 2 - The Concert at the Salzburg Festival.

b. Gaudeamus Domino

Company)

3. So Long, Farewell Reprise ....... (Von Trapp Family & Full Company)

Scene 3 - Nonnberg Abbey, immediately following.

I. Finale Ultimo:

Climb Ev'ry Mountain Reprise ...... (Mother Superior & Full Company)

\*the Anschluss was the peaceably forceful invasion of Austria by the Nazi Party on March 11, 1938

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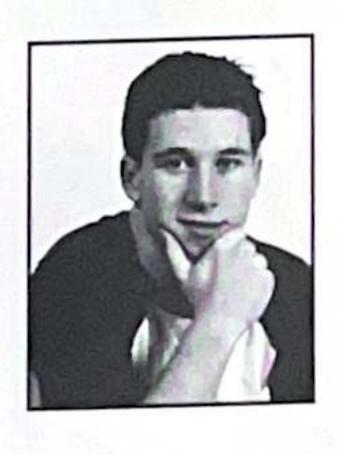
ANTL, Deanna (Liesl)

This is Deanna's second year of Mainstage. She originally joined because Alison told her it was great, but more so because she loves dance and theatre. Her goals include learning as much as she can from the experiences she has and to be happy. She keeps busy during her spare time with singing lessons and she has danced for 5 years. Her long-term goal is to be on Broadway, and to get there she would like to attend a University of Arts somewhere in Europe.



CURRY, Alex (Nazi)

Alex is back for a third year of Mainstage, mainly because he wants to meet people, feel good about working hard on something, and unleash the fury that is Alex Curry. Alex's special talents include, dry humor, high self-esteem and he also has a very critical judging system. Future goals include owning many expensive, stylish suits, and perfecting the art of deceitful impressions. He would also like to be the Prime Minister of Canada. Good Luck Dr. Curry!



ERVIN, Michael (Franz)

This is Michael's second year of Mainstage. He looks forward to setting a good example, and becoming a leader this year. He is currently learning how to smuggle squirrels into Canada. When he is not smuggling squirrels, he enjoys playing the guitar. He would like to thank his girlfriend, one of his best friends Chris Shoults, his Parents and everyone he knows. (That's a whole lot of people!) Enjoy this year's production!



FLOOD, Molly (Louisa)

As the "New Kid on the Block" Molly looks forward to bringing positivity and perseverance to the show. As this is her first year she joined Mainstage because she loves the energy you feel on the stage and she enjoys giving it back to the audience. Her special talents include ballet and modern dance. She also loves people. Her future plans include giving back to the community by teaching and volunteering and going to the University of Alberta. Good Luck Molly!





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### HALASE, Emily (Gretl)

Emily is playing the role of Gretl in this year's production. Emily enjoys performing and loves to dance, and she has been in many ballet productions. She looks forward to spreading some "cute sunshine" for everyone in this year's production, while still being a really hard worker on stage. Her future goals include "Conquering" Kindergarten and she would like to be a Doctor when she grows up. Wishing all your dreams come true, Emily! All the best to you in the future.



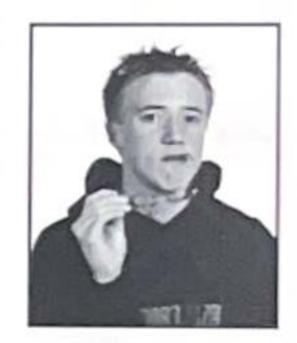
### MORRIS-HUDSON, Jean-E (Mother Superior)

This year we are honored to have Jean-E with us! She has incredible talent that is forever teaching us the fine art of theater life. Her talented voice captures everyone. Her future plans are to share her voice by teaching vocal classes and eventually direct Community Theater. She has been in many shows such as: Carousel and Music Man just to name a few. Don't forget about us when you make your first CD!



#### HUMPHREY, Graeme (Friedrick)

Graeme joined Mainstage because he was told that slurpees were the fifth food group. Graeme looks forward to gaining life-long friendships and life skills during this year's production. Graeme's short-term goal is to find "Ralphi" the drama room's ghost. He felt bad that J.P. Partyka didn't get to write a bio so he said he would somehow include him in his. (There you are J.P.!) His future plan is to figure out what to do with his life because he's not quite sure yet. Enjoy this year's production.



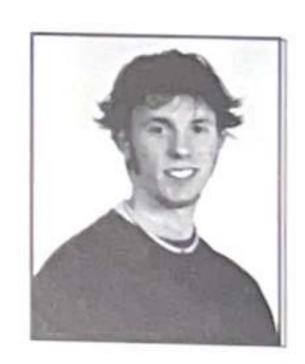
#### ISTED, Cyanna (Gretl)

Cyanna, being one of the youngest members of the cast, is also the most energetic! Cyanna joined Mainstage because she "is not a very shy girl." When Cyanna is not performing on stage she is making sure that everyone is saying the right lines at all times. Her biggest talent is finally grasping the concept of, 'duck duck goose.' We are going to miss playing with you Cyanna!



#### KARRAN, Jeff (Zeller)

This is Jeff's fourth year of Mainstage, because he has yet to find the sacred monarch Marmaduke. Seriously, Jeff is here to help everyone younger than himself about the ways of life. He joined Mainstage this year because he was told that there was cash in the deal! (You'll be looking for a long time!) His future plans include acting, directing or writing novels. Good luck, Jeff!



#### MAGNUSSEN, Jacey (Marta)

This is Jacey's first year of mainstage too and we are hoping she will be back when she reaches high school! Other than being a basket-ball player extrordinaire she is very good at acting and being the youngest in her family. She joined mainstage because she "enjoys acting and wanted to have fun." When Jacey grows up she wirns to he an actress. Remember to come back and visit



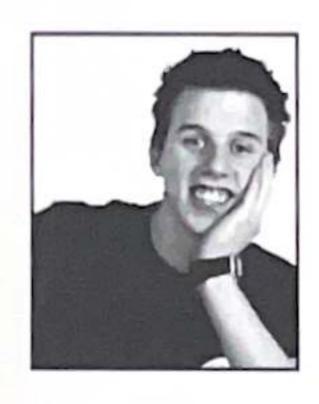


## The Company continued...



### MCCOMB, Christin (Baroness)

Christin the "Zeke" is back for a third year of Mainstage. She wanted to gain more beautiful memories and friends that will be remembered forever, while working towards her short-term goal of inflicting pain on Joey (In a nice way). Her hobbies include, having many clones and taking over the world and to enforce the ways of "Zeke". She loves communicating with others and is currently working towards being a social worker. All the best to your future endeavors.



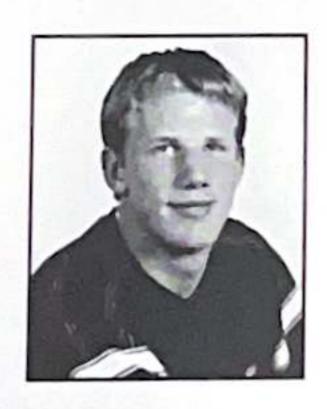
#### MERCIER, Joey (Uncle Max)

This is Joey's second year of Mainstage and he loves it! His goals include escaping Christin's violent tendencies, and writing and directing a successful musical on Broadway. He expects to have the greatest time of his life in this year's production, and bring joy and happiness to all. The special talent that he is most proud of is his very sexy voice (at least Brian thinks so). Have a great year, Joey!



#### MERCIER, Theresa (Marta)

Theresa is following in the footsteps of her big brother Joey. This is her first year of Mainstage, and she is one of the younger members of our cast. No matter what time it is we always see Theresa with a happy smile on her face. She joined Mainstage because she saw her brother in it last year and it looked like a lot of fun. When she grows up she wants to be a horse-jumper and possibly be in another Mainstage production when she gets to high school. Don't forget to come back and visit!



#### MOLENAAR, Tony (Admiral Von Schieber)

Tony is another 'New Kid on the Block,' coming all the way from Didsbury to be a part of the Alberta High School of Fine Arts. He is a grade 12 student with high hopes for his future. His long-term goal is to invent something that has already been invented and sell it as his own. Well Tony, we are sure that you will succeed in all you set out to do. Best of luck!



#### MOORE, Ryan (Kurt)

This being Ryan's first year in Mainstage he has fit in quite well. His startling humor, quick wit, and okay, he is a pretty good actor too, makes every day a journey. Ryan joined Mainstage because he was promised that he would be able to train pigeons to be tigers. When he grows up he wants to become President of the United States and donate all its land to Canada. Good luck! Without Ryan this year wouldn't have been the same. Thank you!



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# The Company continued...



ORR, Alison (Maria)

This is Alison's third year of Mainstage. Her previous productions include "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Forty Second Street". Over the years she has gained memories which will last her a lifetime and friends which she will cherish forever. Alison's main goal is to pursue a career in theatre (even if it is with Mainstage for the next 15 years). Her main reason for joining Mainstage is to grasp control of her emotional instability. Alison would also like to send out a special thanks to Ma and Pa on "Sunnybrook Farm" for all their love support over the past 3 years.



POWELL, Abbey (Sister Berthe, Mother Superior Under-

This is Abbey's second year of Mainstage. She joined Mainstage because of her love of performing and because of the valuable experiences she knew she would gain. She looks forward to gaining knowledge in professionalism in the arts as well. Her special talents include singing for ten years and acting for five years. She enjoys horseback riding and outdoor activities, when she's not singing in competitions.



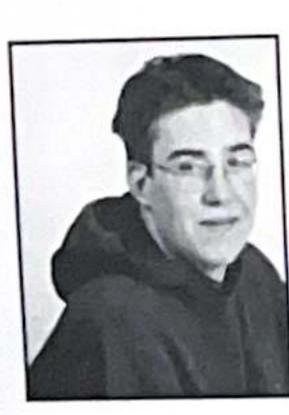
ROY, Nicole (Frau Schmidt)

The Sound of Music is Nicole's second year of Mainstage. Even though she vows she will never leave until everybody understands the "charm of Nicole" and she becomes the Emperess of Mainstage, we know she will conquer her goals in becoming a Marine Biologist. With Nicole's fashionable yellow boots and all the joyous aspects of her life she will no doubt succeed in anything she attempts. The 'rumors' that attracted her to the Mainstage program are still yet to be discovered...but she will keep looking.



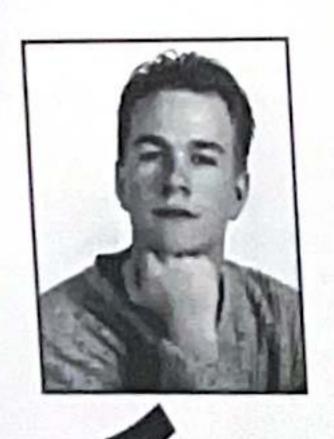
WEBB, Bryan (Captain Von Trapp)

Bryan joined Mainstage this year to gain knowledge in acting and because he wanted to eat a lot of McDonalds' food. His future goals include traveling the world, the seven seas and playing the guitar. He looks forward to doing the best job he can do in this year's role. The talent that he is most proud about is being able to recognize a sexy voice when he hears one. He looks forward to future shows.



WIDNEY, Marshall (Giles, Male Dance Captain)

Marshall is returning for a fourth year of Mainstage. He is returning to have fun with friends and gain more experience. Marshall's hobbies include building models and getting unexpected spurts of energy. His goals are to be all he can be! Last but not least his future plans...they are to become very rich and take over Jim's job (watch out!) and possibly the world if he has time. Wishing you all the best in the years to come Marshall.



WIEBE, Tyson (Rolf)

This is Tyson's third year of Mainstage. He enjoys all the acting because it gives him a NATURAL high. His future plans include living to see the next millennium (good luck!), to join the circus and train monkeys to take over the world. After he completes these goals he would like to do a show on Broadway. Have a great year Tyson.

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### WILSON, Ben (Baron Elberfeld)

Ben is entering his fourth year of Mainstage. His has also been in "Crazy for you", "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Forty Second Street". He plans to gain some inner peace during this production. His main goal is to become a world leader. His special talent is to be able to speak gibberish. He is still undecided on what he would like to do in the future! Whatever you decide to do Ben you will do well! Good Luck!



## WOLOWICH, Jenn (Baroness Elberfeld, Female Dance Captain)

This is Jenn's second year of Mainstage. She joined because it looked like fun and she loves to dance. She plans to gain friendships that will last a lifetime and stage experience. Her future plans are to travel to Europe and live happily ever after. She enjoys dancing and she loves to go to the theatre in her spare time. She looks forward to gaining more knowledge about acting in the future. We are sure you will enjoy this year's show!



### WOOD, Meghan (Ursula)

Meghan has enjoyed the previous two Mainstage productions she has been in so she wanted to come back for a third year. She enjoys the dancing and having fun. She hopes to leave with great memories, friendships and experiences that will help her in the future. Her goals include learning French, Spanish, and Italian and get accepted to a University. Her hobbies include dancing, and playing Nintendo. She is also quite proud of her experiences climbing the pyramids and swimming with dolphins. We wish you the best in the future, Meghan



#### CUPELLI, EM Matthew

Matthew has been apart of Mainstage since the beginning of its existence. The passion, love and dedication towards the show are beyond what anyone could imagine. If there is one thing to choose that he has taught us, it is to be ourselves, believe in what we do, and to love what we do. Without him this program would not be here, sincerely, we thank you.



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## Guild

What an exceptional year we have had. Firstly, our marketing committee did a fantastic job this year in obtaining 40 new supporters. Secondly, the tickets went so fast, that I fear there may be many people who wanted tickets and who usually buy them close to the show dates, but will be disappointed because we were completely sold out in February. What can I say, except that we need our new community centre, so that we will be able to accommodate all the people who want to see Mainstage. There is a limit to how many performances we can run, the well-being of all who participate is a major factor that must be considered. We appreciate the support of all our patrons, its really great to sell out so quickly, we must be doing something right!



The Sound of Music, being a great family musical, has been a lot of fun to put up. We have pulled some of our younger actresses from the community. Its been a valuable experience for all, and I really appreciate the way the children's parents have pitched in to help with the behind the scenes committees. Once again, the Guild has been the backbone of the show. Without the many hours donated by all our volunteers who form the Guild, this show would not be possible. Six years ago we started the Guild and it has grown, thrived, and been an integral part of the success we enjoy every year. To one and all, who have volunteered, Thank you. I hope the experience was pleasurable, it certainly has been a pleasure for me to get to know you and work with each of you.

Sheila McKinlay Guild President



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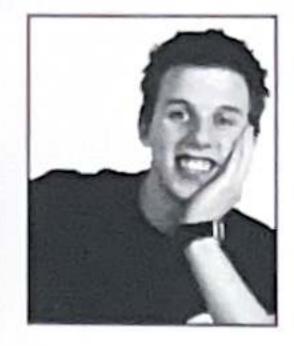
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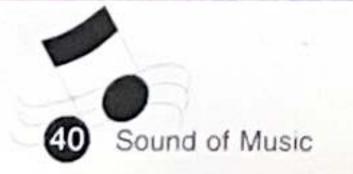
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