

Possum Point Players

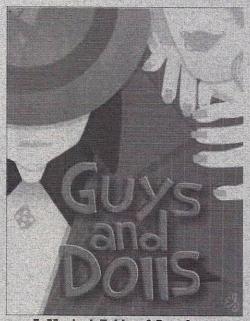
presents

Book by Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows

Music and Lyrics by Frank Loesser

Based on The Idyll of Sarah Brown

and characters by Damon Runyon



A Musical Fable of Broadway

Directed by Kenney Workman

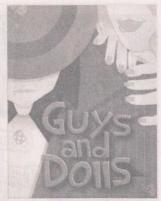
Musical Direction by Melanie Bradley

Choreography by Aimee Voshell String

April 17, 18, 24, 25, 2009 at 8 PM April 19 and 26, 2009 at 2 PM

Possum Hall; Georgetown, Delaware



















Cast of Characters

Nicely-Nicely Johnson John H. Hulse
Benny Southstreet
Harry the Horse
Sarah BrownLorraine Steinhoff
Arvide Abernathy
Agatha Rosa C. Barnes
The Save-A-Soul Mission Band Cheryl Graves, Tara Jones,
El Panico Kathleen Richter
Lt. Brannigan
Nathan Detroit
Angie the Ox
Society Max
Brandy Bottle Bates
Liver Lips Louie
Miss Adelaide
Sky Masterson Orville Nichols
Joey Biltmore
Master of Ceremonies
Mimi, A Hot Box Girl
The Hot Box Girls Cat Baker, Maddie Crimmins, Cat Getz,
Lauren Henry, Meghan Howlett, Chelsea Megee,
Amelia Mitchell, Deni Robinson,
Sierra Spicer, Judy Venturini
General Matilda B. Cartwright
Big Jule
A Drunk
Waiter Peyton Lynch
Havana Dancing Couple Jay Collier, Deni Robinson

Production Crew

. Kenney Workman

Director .

Trumpet

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Musical Director, Concert and Rehearsal Pianist . Melanie Bradley
Choreographer
Stage Managers
Asst. Stage Manager
Lighting Design
Lighting and Sound TechnicianAllen Thompson
Council Technician
Sound Technician
Costumes Louise Hartzell, Rebecca Burns, Cara Digby,
Mary Haller, Anita Smith, Marsha Shull
Hair
Makeup
Props Donna Flomp, Maureen Downing
Scenic Artists
Set Design
Set Construction
John Bettors, Claudius Bowden, Fred Dean,
Pat Erhardt, Doug Friend, Louise Hartzell,
Trish and Tom Herholdt, Bill Howlett, Ken Jester,
Tara Jones, Kim Klabe, John and MaryAnn LaLave,
Don Megee, E.J. Panico, Chris Reed,
Joe Roszin, Mike Williams, Kenney Workman
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Musical Director/ Conductor/ Keyboard Melanie Bradley
Bass
Cello
Drums
Reeds
Transport

The Scenes and Musical Numbers

ACT ONE

SCENE 1: BROADWAY
Runyonland
Fugue for Tinhorns Nicely-Nicely Johnson, Benny Southstreet, Harry the Horse
Follow the Fold Sarah Brown, Arvide Abernathy, and The Mission Band
The Oldest Established Nathan Detroit, Nicely-Nicely Johnson, Benny Southstreet, and The Gamblers
SCENE 2: INTERIOR OF THE SAVE-A-SOUL MISSION
I'll Know Sarah Brown and Sky Masterson
SCENE 3: A PHONE BOOTH AND A WALL TELEPHONE
SCENE 4: THE HOT BOX NIGHTCLUB
A Bushel and a Peck Miss Adelaide and the Hot Box Girls Adelaide's Lament
SCENE 5: BROADWAY
Guys and Dolls .Nicely-Nicely Johnson and Benny Southstreet
SCENE 6: BROADWAY, Noon, the next day
SCENE 7: BROADWAY
SCENE 8: HAVANA, CUBA
If I Were a Bell
SCENE 9: BROADWAY, 4 AM, the following morning
My Time of Day
I've Never Been In Love Before Sky Masterson and Sarah Brown
There will be a Fifteen-Minute Intermission

The Scenes and Musical Numbers

ACT TWO

SCENE 1: THE HOT BOX NIGHTCLUB Take Back Your Mink Miss Adelaide and the Hot Box Girls Adelaide's Second Lament
SCENE 2: BROADWAY More I Cannot Wish You Arvide Abernathy
SCENE 3: THE SEWER Luck Be a Lady
SCENE 4: BROADWAY Sue Me
SCENE 5: INTERIOR OF THE SAVE-A-SOUL MISSION Sit Down, You're Rockin' the Boat Nicely-Nicely Johnson, The Gamblers, and The Mission Band
SCENE 6: BROADWAY, nighttime Marry the Man Today Miss Adelaide and Sarah Brown
SCENE 7: BROADWAY, the next day Guys and Dolls (Reprise)



- Cat Baker (A Hot Box Girl)) has appeared in several Possum productions, including THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK; JEKYLL AND HYDE; THE COCKTAIL HOUR; BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS; THE ODD COUPLE; A SHOT IN THE DARK; THE LITTLE FOXES; ALL MY SONS; and TARTUFFE.
- Rosa C. Barnes (Agatha, Save-A-Soul Mission Band) enjoys singing, sewing and crafts, reading, the beach, writing, and mentoring. Rosa has been in such shows as A RAISIN IN THE SUN; LITTLE WOMEN; CEREMONIES FOR DARK OLD MEN; and CONTRIBUTION. Rosa also is a storyteller and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.
- Claudius Bowden, Jr. (Big Jule) is a pharmaceutical lab technician when not appearing on the Possum stage or spinning the tunes as DJ "Sir Claude." PIRATES OF PENZANCE; LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS; LITTLE FOXES; and A CHRISTMAS CAROL are some of Claudius' most recent shows.
- Rebecca Burns (Mimi, A Hot Box Girl) is making her Possum debut with this show. Rebecca has been a leading role in GODSPELL; WEST SIDE STORY; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; and A CHRISTMAS CAROL. Rebecca is a music and drama teacher who enjoys hiking and camping.
- Mary O'Neill Boucher (Miss Adelaide) was last seen on the Possum stage in LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS. Mary played Audrey in the National Tour of that show, as well! She has done professional theater, including Maria in THE SOUND OF MUSIC, Lilly and Grace in ANNIE, and Marty in GREASE. Mary has also done bit parts for TV and movies and has even done cartoon voice-overs. Mary met her husband of 19 years as a singing and dancing entertainer on a cruise ship. Mary and her hubby are proud of their three boys. Mary's talents also can also be found in the kitchen. She is a pastry chef and will be providing Cloud 9 with their delicious treats again this summer. Mary also touches the lives of kids every day at East Millsboro Elementary School as a paraprofessional. Mary sends special thanks to Carolyn Droscoski, her friend from Theater Three in New York, for her help.
- Jay Collier (Joey Biltmore, Havana Dancer) is having fun doing this show. He has been in THE WIZ and enjoys sports, ballroom dancing, singing, and sleeping. Jay lives in Berlin and works in Salisbury in nursing. Jay dreams of the day he can be in a production of THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA.

- Maddie Crimmins (A Hot Box Girl) attends Sussex Technical High School and is a competitive swimmer when not dancing at Possums. Maddie has been seen in FIDDLER ON THE ROOF; GODSPELL; HONK!; and SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK LIVE!.
- Fred Dean (Benny Bottle Bates, A Drunk) is a realtor in his other life. Fred has been seen in 1776; JEKYLL AND HYDE; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE; LITTLE FOXES; MY THREE ANGELS; and ALL MY SONS. When not selling houses or acting, Fred is on the golf course!
- Pat Erhardt (Lt. Brannigan) has appeared in over 25 productions in the area and directed seven. His favorite role is Tevye in FIDDLER ON THE ROOF. Pat enjoys reading and spending time in the garden. A Cleveland, Ohio native, Pat writes comedy and operates a BNA Financial Services.
- Doug Friend (Liver Lips Louie, Master of Ceremonies) enjoys chess, tennis, pinball, and motorcycles in his free time. Doug also enjoys being on stage in such shows as ART; LITTLE FOXES; and FUNNY MONEY. He will soon be portraying the lead, a miser, in Possums Summer Comedy STINKIN' RICH in June.
- Cat Getz (A Hot Box Girl) has a wide variety of interests from singing and dancing to rugby and football. Cat is originally from Ashville, NC, and has been in CINDERELLA and TWIST IN TIME. Cat enjoys being in the cast and believes that this show has "class and spunk."
- Cheryl Graves (Save-A-Soul Mission Band) was in THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER and has been in SCROOGE with Clear Space Productions. Cheryl, who loves to cook, entertain, read, travel, and volunteer, lives in Rehoboth Beach with her husband, Henley, and sons, Tyler and Hunter.
- Jim Hartzell (Benny Southstreet) enjoys golfing, Penn State football, fishing (someday!). The Possums keep Jim busy, as he is found behind the scenes helping out in a variety of ways! Jim's extensive acting and directing experience includes A CHRISTMAS CAROL; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; and JEKYLL AND HYDE.

- Lauren Henry (A Hot Box Girl) is making her Possum debut with this show. She lives in Laurel and enjoys singing all over Delmarva, All State Chorus, Ballroom Dancing, and playing piano for weddings.
- Meghan Howlett (A Hot Box Girl) is returning to the Possum stage. Meghan was seen in THE LION, THE WITCH, AND THE WARDROBE and HOW TO EAT LIKE A CHILD. She also has helped backstage running sound and stagemanaging. Meghan enjoys vacationing with her fiancé, Rick.
- John H. Hulse (Nicely-Nicely Johnson) is ticked pink to be singing and dancing his way across the Possum stage again! Favorite performances include A CHRISTMAS CAROL; THE SECRET GARDEN; INTO THE WOODS; YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; and Uncle to Lauren, P. J., and Mikaila.
- Tara Jones (A Hot Box Girl) has been seen on the Possum stage in THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; WPPP CHRISTMAS; LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS; and A CHRISTMAS CAROL. Tara lives in Georgetown and enjoys volunteering with Little League, reading and being with family and friends.
- Mary Ann La Lave (General Matilda B. Cartwright) was last seen on the Possum stage in A CHRISTMAS CAROL. Her favorite roles are Rose in GYPSY, Reverend Mother in NUNSENSE, and Mama in I REMEMBER MAMA. Mary Ann enjoys traveling and reading. She lives in Millsboro.
- Peyton Lynch (Angie the Ox, Waiter) is President of Possum Juniors and a senior at Sussex Central High School. Last seen on the Possum Stage in YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN and LITTLE FOXES and has performed with Take II at school. Peyton enjoys reading, singing and doing homework.
- John Marino (Arvide Abernathy) has appeared on the Possum stage in PROOF; ALL MY SONS; THE DINNER PARTY; THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK; and FUNNY MONEY. He directed Possum's LITTLE FOXES. John appeared in the premiere of Joe Di
- Chelsea Megee (A Hot Box Girl) is making her theatre debut with this show and is happy to be performing with her father. Chelsea enjoys playing softball, singing loud in her car and shopping. She lives in Georgetown and works at Applebee's and as a youth counselor at the Boys and Girls Club in Seaford.

- Don W. Megee (Nathan Detroit) is enjoying sharing the stage with daughter, Chelsea, and fiancé, Tara Jones. Don is a teacher at Sussex Central High School. Don has been seen in such shows as DINNER PARTY; BEDROOM FARCE; LITTLE FOXES; SPITFIRE GRILL; BELL, BOOK, AND CANDLE; and A CHRISTMAS CAROL. A resident of Georgetown for most of his life, Don has never met better people than those he meets at Possum Hall. Tara and he will be wed in May.
- Amelia Mitchell (A Hot Box Girl) is active in Delmar High School's performing arts program (Senior Chorus, A Capella Chorus, Colorguard and Drama Club). Her most recent role was as Cyndi Gibson in DHS's production of BACK TO THE 80'S. Amelia would like to thank her family and friends for their enthusiastic support!
- Orville Nichols (Sky Masterson) thinks that the characters and the music of this show bring love and relationships, gambling and soul saving, dancing and the streets and gutters of New York alive. Orville has been seen in A CHRISTMAS CAROL; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; JEKYLL AND HYDE and more with the Possums, and HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSSINESS; ANYTHING GOES; and CHARLEY'S AUNT with the Community Players of Salisbury. Orville is in his first year with the Seaford Dance Studio, where he is taking tap and jazz classes. Orville has worked for 35 years in the Eckerd, Thrift Drug, Brooks, Rite Aid family of stores. Four year-old grandson Damon is always a day-brightener for Orville!
- EJ Panico (Save-A-Soul Mission Band) was last seen on the Possum stage in Ad Hoc's performance of WINSTON'S WILL. She has also performed in JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT; LI'L ABNER; OKLAHOMA!; and THE MUSIC MAN. She enjoys performing with Ad Hoc and volunteering at a local hospital.
- Kathleen Richter (Save-A-Soul Mission Band) was last seen on the Possum stage in ON GOLDEN POND. Kathleen loves dancing, cuddling with her new hubby and her dogs, visits with her family and watch old movies from the 40s and 50s. A Personal Lines Insurance Agent, she lives in Millsboro.
- Deni Robinson (A Hot Box Girl, Havana Dancer) is making her Possum debut on stage! Deni has choreographed THE KING AND I; JEKYLL AND HYDE; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; and A CHRISTMAS CAROL. Deni has a dance studio, Ballroom Blitz, in Lewes, and enjoys hockey, volunteering, and spending days at the beach.

- Sierra Spicer (A Hot Box Girl) has been seen in JEKYLL AND HYDE; THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE; LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS; INTO THE WOODS; FIDDLER ON THE ROOF; ANNIE; and A MUSIC MAN. A junior at Laurel High School, Sierra enjoys singing, golfing, shopping, and volunteering.
- Lorraine Steinhoff (Sarah Brown) is thrilled to be back at PPP for GUYS AND DOLLS, especially with such a talented cast and production staff! She attended Shenandoah University where she received her BFA in Music Theatre. She was most recently seen in ARCADIA with the Second Street Players and in ANOTHER OPENING! ANOTHER SHOW! with Clear Space productions. Favorite credits include: THE SPITFIRE GRILL; THE SOUND OF MUSIC; CHICAGO; INTO THE WOODS; SHERLOCK HOLMES: THE EARLY YEARS; A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC; CHILDREN OF EDEN; COMPANY; and 42ND STREET. Lorraine played a Hot Box girl in high school and is thrilled to be reformed and converted to the Save-a-Soul Mission as Sarah Brown, a role she as long admired. She hopes that the audience will enjoy the show as much as she enjoys being a part of it. If she had any spare time, Lorraine would go to the movies or just stay home and curl up with a good book. Lorraine is a native of Dover, where she teaches choir and drama at St Thomas More Prep.
- Dan String (Harry the Horse) was last seen on the Possum stage in CHICAGO.

 Dan enjoys spending time with his family, playing volleyball and running.

 He is a Civil Environmental Engineer and lives in Seaford.
- Judy Venturini (A Hot Box Girl) is making her Possum debut with GUYS AND DOLLS. She has performed with Second Street Players in OSCAR AND FELIX and ORDINARY PEOPLE, and was part of the Clear Space Chorus last fall. Judy lives in Lewes, and owns and operates a Staging and Interior Design business called Refined Spaces.
- John Zinzi (Society Max) spent 40 years in western New York before relocating near family in Milford last July. A retired educator, John has been active with community theatres for 25 years playing roles both on stage and off. Recently seen in Milton Theatre's GYPSY, GUYS AND DOLLS marks his Possums debut.

Kenney Workman (Director) is a Sussex County native who has been involved in Community Theatre for the last 32 years as an actor, singer, dancer, set designer, producer and director. His directing credits include many musicals and comedies, most recently PPP productions of CHICAGO; THE DINNER PARTY; and LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS and Second Street Players productions of CABARET and THE SPITFIRE GRILL. Kenney currently serves as Treasurer of the Possum Point Players and is delighted to be directing this production of GUYS AND DOLLS. This year marks Kenney's 18th year as Producer/Director of the Miss Delaware Pageant, where he has been involved in some capacity for the last 32 years, is currently President of the Miss Delaware Scholarship Organization, and acts as Miss Delaware's talent advisor on her Miss America preparation team. In his other life, Kenney is a Senior Financial Analyst at Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health, Inc. in Millsboro. He and his better half, the lovely Rosanne Pack, and their numerous cats, deer, raccoons, squirrels, rabbits, and, of course, Possums, live in Milford. He thanks the Possums for this opportunity and sends much love and thanks to all of the talented people involved in this production.

Melanie Bradley (Musical Director, Pianist, Rehearsal Accompanist) lives in Lewes with her husband and two sons. She has played for many local productions such as LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS and THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE with the Possums; CABARET; SHE LOVES ME; and THE SPITFIRE GRILL at the Riverfront Theater, and SCROOGE; SOUTH PACIFIC; and HELLO, DOLLY with Clear Space Productions. She can also be seen playing with Kate Green at Baywoods this summer. Melanie has degrees in piano performance from Ithaca College and University of Maryland, College Park.

Aimee Voshell String (Choreographer) believes that GUYS AND DOLLS is a fast-paced, witty musical that has a little something for everyone. A super fabulous choreographer, Aimee, has been the official choreographer for the Miss Delaware organization for 12 years. This is Aimee's second show with the Possums, having done a great job getting everyone to dance in CHICAGO. "Harry the Horse" turns Aimee's head every time because Dan is Aimee's husband. Daughter Brynn has been overseeing rehearsals on Aimee's hip and has won over the entire cast as "assistant choreographer." Aimee has worked with the Sussex Dance Academy and has more than 20 years of dance training in ballet, tap, jazz, and lyrical dance. A Felton native, Aimee now lives in Seaford and works as an assistant program director for an organization that provides a domestic violence hotline and shelters.