

Christian Brothers High School  
*Theatre Department Presents*

# OUR TOWN



By THORNTON WILDER

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A Play in Three Acts

By Thornton Wilder

*Directed by* Sean O'Brien

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Fridays & Saturdays at 7:00 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Little Theatre  
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Our Town is produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.  
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*The entire play takes place in Grover's Corners, New Hampshire. Our play consists of three acts and two 10-minute intermissions*

## Act I

Spring 1901

## Act II

Summer 1904

## Act III

1913

**DIRECTOR'S NOTES:** There is no other play so classically American in its conventions, style and themes as is *Our Town*. Thornton Wilder gives tremendous weight to everything, from the tiniest detail of everyday life to the great questions of existence, but the dialogue is the common speech of everyday people. Of course, the people who live in Grover's Corners, New Hampshire, circa 1904, have the same hopes, fears, joys and tragedies that we all experience. Moms and dads will see themselves in this play, as will brothers and sisters, neighbors and young people falling in love.

Theatre students and techies at Christian Brothers have been working hard to bring this wonderful play to the stage. Since the play has virtually no set, the actors are required to pantomime a good deal of stage business and forgo hand props that normally would be used in a more conventional play. Of course, this and other challenges simply make the experience more rewarding for the student actors and technicians.

— Sean O'Brien

## THE CAST *(in order of appearance)*

|                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Stage Manager                 | Mitch Owens          |
| Dr. Gibbs                     | Chris Burlando*      |
| Joe Crowell                   | Camille Peters       |
| Howie Newsome                 | Nick Lunella*        |
| Mrs. Gibbs                    | Emily Fitzsimmons    |
| Mrs. Webb                     | Miranda Friel*       |
| George Gibbs                  | Thomas Gherini       |
| Rebecca Gibbs                 | Kate Houston         |
| Wally Webb                    | Tim Pfelfer          |
| Emily Webb                    | Sara Wagner          |
| Professor Willard             | Nathan Quackenbush   |
| Mr. Webb                      | Jonathan Laubacher   |
| Woman in the Balcony          | Jane Campbell*       |
| Man in Auditorium             | Aaron Ortega         |
| Lady in the Box               | Annie Laurie Jennett |
| Simon Stimson                 | Sam Lovell*          |
| Mrs. Soames                   | Dominga Noe*         |
| Constable Warren              | William Fredericksen |
| Si Crowell                    | Cassie Weber*        |
| Baseball players              | Jeremy Spease*       |
|                               | Jane Campbell*       |
|                               | Lucas Mullen         |
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| Sam Craig                     | William Fredericksen |
| Joe Stoddard                  | Cassie Weber*        |
| Assistant Stage Managers      | Christina Lian       |
|                               | Cecilia Ross         |
| Choirmaster                   | Megan Lent           |
| Church choir and townspeople: | Annie Laurie Jennett |
|                               | Kelsey Magaña*       |
|                               | Christina Lian       |
|                               | Jeremy Spease*       |
|                               | Jane Campbell*       |
|                               | Cassie Weber*        |
|                               | Claire White         |

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*The International Thespian Society is the educational arm of the Educational Theatre Association, and is an honor society for actors and technicians. The ITS slogan is "Act well your part, therein lies all honor."*

## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST



**Mitch Owens '10** (*Stage Manager*)

Mitch is absolutely thrilled to be playing the part of Stage Manager in *Our Town*. He was seen as the Lion in *The Wiz* and Alan Scott in *The Whole Dam Shooting Match* on the CB stage. He also played Willard in *Footloose*, Junior in *Crazy for You*, Leodes in *The Odyssey*, and a Wick-ersham Brother in *Soussical*. Mitch also enjoys cycling, exploring music, and dominating in Super Smash Brothers. He values the support and love of his parents and his two brothers, and hopes to include his love for theatre in his future.



**Chris Burlando '10** (*Dr. Gibbs*)

Last year Chris played Harrison Kending in *The Whole Dam Shooting Match*, he was in three one act plays and won an award at the CSUS Lenaea Festival for his role in *The Breakfast Special*. This year he is Vice President of the International Thespian Society (ITS), an Honors Thespian in ITS, and Master Carpenter on the tech crew. He is very excited about this production and looks forward to the upcoming One Acts Festival and musical.



**Emily Fitzsimmons '11** (*Mrs. Gibbs*)

Emily is excited to be in her first CB production. Her favorite previous roles were Mandy in *Smile* and Queen Eleanor in *The Spell of Sleeping Beauty* at Rockin Youth Theatre Company. In her spare time she enjoys hanging out with friends and singing with the CB choir.



**Jonathan Laubacher '10** (*Mr. Webb*)

This is Jonathan's first part in a play at CB and he is ecstatic for this year's production of *Our Town*. Jonathan is very involved at CB as Senior Class President and is a significant team player on the varsity tennis team. He would like to thank all of his fans for coming out and supporting him. Enjoy the show!



**Miranda Friel '11** (*Mrs. Webb*)

Miranda has been a part of every theatrical production at CB for the past three years. Previously the resident Stage Manager, she looks forward to her first major role as a new and exciting challenge. *Our Town* is her absolute favorite play of all time, and she has high hopes for this production.



**Thomas Gherini '11** (*George Gibbs*)

Thomas is overjoyed to be participating in another CB drama production. He has been acting and singing since the 4th grade, and has been in CB productions for the last two years. Last year you may have seen him as Lewis in *Pippin*.



**Sara Wagner '10** (*Emily Webb*)

Sara has previously appeared in *Robin Hood* and *Stage Door*. She is very excited to play Emily Webb in her first Christian Brothers play, *Our Town*. Sara is also a part of the cross country team, softball team, and the senior retreat leadership team. She thanks all her amazing friends, family, and fans for supporting her through this wonderful experience.



**Jane Campbell '12** (*Baseball Player/Church Choir/Woman in Balcony*)

Jane is very excited to be in her second show at CB. Last year, she was the Leading Player in the spring musical, *Pippin*. She loves acting and singing and plans to continue to do shows at CB for the rest of her high school career. She thanks all her friends and family for their support.



**William Frederickson '12** (*Constable Warren/Joe Stoddard*)

William is a funny, lovable sophomore who has always loved acting. This is his first experience in the CB theatre. He is very excited and very lucky to be participating in this play with such an interesting, funny cast and crew. It is his ambition to continue working with the CB theatre and he hopes that you enjoy *Our Town*.



**Kate Houston '13** (*Rebecca Gibbs*)

Kate has been in theatre and dance since kindergarten. Kate has performed in more than nine plays, such as *Aladdin*, *The Princess and the Frog*, *Guys and Dolls*, and *Cinderella*. She enjoys volleyball, photography, and going to the movies.



**Annie Laurie Jonnett '10** (*Church Choir/Lady in the Box*)

Annie has been in the choir at CB for four years and she is very eager to be in *Our Town*. She has assisted backstage in the productions *The Whole Damn Shooting Match* and *Pippin* and she acted on stage during the Festival of One Acts. She can't wait to appear in her first full production at CB. She thanks all of her friends and family for their encouragement and undying support.



**Megan Lent '11** (*Church Choir/Townsperson*)

Megan is so happy to break into CB theatre. Previously, she performed as Stella in *Get With Quick* at Loretto. In her theatre class at Loretto, she wrote and acted in a children's play and was also in her 8th grade's school play. She loves music, poetry, a strange variety movies, and *The Office*. Thank you to everyone!



**Christina Lian '12** (*Assistant Stage Manager/Church Choir/Townsperson*)

Christina is thrilled to be in her first production at CB. She has previously been seen in the musicals *The Music Man* and *Annie* at Runaway Stage Productions. She wishes to thank her family and friends for their endless love and support!



**Sam Lovell '11** (*Simon Stimson*)

Sam has been in many CB productions including *The Wiz*, *The Whole Damn Shooting Match*, *Pippin*, and now *Our Town*. He has taken voice lessons for almost ten years and has been doing shows for just as long. He enjoys acting and singing and he would like to thank all of his friends and family for their support.



**Nick Lunetta '10** (*Howie Newsome*)

Nick was Jay Barker in *The Whole Damn Shooting Match*, and has worked on the CB tech crew for the last three years. (He has injuries to prove it.) He has been in many shows — he played the King in *Cinderella*, the Pirate King in *Pirates of Penzance*, and Abbot in *Abbot & Costello in Whose on First*. Nick is extremely happy to be a part of *Our Town* and is glad to be working with an excellent cast again.



**Lexi Lynn '13** (*Church Choir/Townsperson*)

Lexi is excited to be in her first play. She has had a lot of fun working with the cast and crew of *Our Town*. She would like to thank her parents for their support.



**Kelsey Magaña '11** (*Church Choir/Townsperson*)

Kelsey is incredibly excited to be a part of *Our Town*! She recently took part in Jesuit's Season of New Works; was in the cast of *FLOPS! A Musical Review*, and was a pit singer in the musical, *We'll Be Fine*. At L'Oratto, Kelsey played Proteus in *Two Gentlemen of Verona* in the spring Shakespeare Festival. She is a member of Honors Chorus, and looks forward to making new friends at CBI. Kelsey thanks her family for their love and support, and she thanks Mr. O'Brien and the fabulous cast and crew that made this production possible. Break a leg everyone! Enjoy!



**Lucas Mullen '11** (*Baseball Player/Sam Craig*)

Lucas has never been in a play in his entire life, but he has a wide interest in improvisation and enjoys entertaining friends with his wacky personalities on stage. He is really excited to be a part of *Our Town* and is hoping this is the start of a great future in the theatre.



**Dominga Noe '11** (*Mrs. Sumner*)

Dominga is excited to be in her fourth CB production and can't wait to play her first prominent role in *Our Town*. She played a crow and tornado dancer in *The Wiz*, Beatrice Barnes in *The Whole Dam Shooting Match*, and was in the ensemble in *Pippin*. She has also been a part of CB's One Acts Festivals since her freshman year. Dominga made her first film appearance in the short film, *An Odd Occurrence at the Dover Residence*. She thanks all her amazing friends and family for their love and support.



**Camille Peters '13** (*Joe Crowell*)

This is Camille's first show at CB. She is very excited to be working with this cast and crew, and she is hoping to be involved with the CB theater program during the four years of her high school career.





**Tim Pfeifer '11** (Wally Webb)

Tim is happy to be a part of the fall play this year. Tim has acted in the CB theatre for two years. Previously he played the young college student Keith Leffler in the 2008 production of *The Whole Dam Shooting Match*. He would like to give a shout out to all his friends and family who have come to see *Our Town*. Tim enjoys fantasy novels, good movies, hanging out with friends, and Mountain Dew.



**Nathan Quackenbush '10** (Professor Willard)

Nathan is an active member of the CB drama department. He previously played Lt. Col. Morton Willing in *The Whole Dam Shooting Match* and was a member of the ensemble in *Grease*. He has also worked backstage as the tech crew's property master in four shows: *Pygmalion*, *The Wiz*, *The Whole Dam Shooting Match*, and *Pippin*.



**Cecilia Ross '10** (Chairmaster/Townsperson)

Cecilia is in her third theatre production at CB. After having roles in *The Wiz* and *The Whole Dam Shooting Match*, she is very excited to be in *Our Town*. She is very involved in CB choir and theatre and hopes her last year at CB is a good one. She thanks her friends and family for supporting her no matter what.



**Jeremy Spease '10** (1st Deadman/Church Choir)

Jeremy has been in multiple plays starting with being a dancer in *Grease* at Juan Diego High School. He also landed two supporting roles, Tom Keeny and Five Finger Finny, in *Funny Girl*. He was also in CB's *One Act Easy Does It* last year. Jeremy hopes to land a good part in the upcoming musical and maybe continue in performing arts in college.



**Cassie Weber '11** (Si Crowell/Assistant Stage Manager/Church Choir)

Since her freshman year, Cassie has been involved in the CB theatre as a member of the tech crew. She was onstage as Peppermint Patty in *Snoopy* and she was a member of the ensemble in the CB production of *The Wiz*. She is a big supporter of the arts and enjoys dance, choir, and visual arts.



**Claire White '11** (*Church Choir/Townsperson*)

Claire is incredibly stoked to be a part of this magical production. This is her first immersion as a member of the cast, but she hopes it won't be her last. She thoroughly relishes singing in choir, hanging out with friends and family, and just having a good ol' time. She thanks her family and friends and the big man upstairs for this smashing opportunity. And thanks to the fans as well.



**Anna Kelleher '10** (*Production Stage Manager*)

Anna is excited to be a part of CB's production of *Our Town*. This is her first time working behind the scenes and she is enjoying it. Previously she has been in *Bye Bye Birdie* at Loretto and The Sacramento Ballet's *Nutcracker*. She thanks her friends and family for their support.

## Thank you to our TECH CREW



**Front row:** Nathan Quackenbush, Chris Burlando, Miranda Friel and Kelsey Magaña; **back row:** Marisol Figueroa, Dominga Noe, Anna Kelleher and Mark Wilson. **Not in photo:** Scott Fenocchio, Andrew Portes, Nick Lunetta, Marina MacLachie and Tim Pfeifer

## PRODUCTION STAFF

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Director                      | Sean O'Brien   |
| Production Assistant          | Rebecca Wolfing  |
| Production Stage Manager      | Anna Kelleher  |
| Assistant Stage Manager       | Miranda Friel*   |
| Technical Director            | Andrew Pontes*   |
| Costume Design                | Moire O'Brien  |
| Costume Coordinator           | Nancy Friel  |
| Stitchers                     | Nancy Friel, Wylfd Lian, and<br>Sandra Burlando                    |
| Makeup Artists                | Dominga Noe* and Miranda Friel*                                    |
| Lighting Design               | Ron Dumonchelle and Sean O'Brien                                   |
| Master Carpenter              | Chris Burlando*  |
| Carpentry Crew                | Mark Wilson, Marisol Figueroa,<br>Ali Rivera and Marina McClatchie |
| Sound Design                  | Andrew Pontes*   |
| Sound Crew                    | Tim Pfeifer and Scott Fenocchio                                    |
| Master Electrician            | Nick Lunetta*  |
| Properties Master             | Nathan Quackenbush   |
| Paint Crew                    | Annie Laurie Jennett, Miranda Friel* and<br>Kelsey Magaña*         |
| Program, poster and publicity | Sarah Mungas, Carol Malinowski and<br>Findlay McIntosh             |

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Fall Play - Nov. 13-15 & 20-22, 2009, Fri. & Sat. at 7:00 p.m., Sun. at 2:00 p.m.

Choral Concert - Dec. 10, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

Instrumental Concert - Dec. 11, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

FOTA Meetings - Aug. 26, Sept. 23, Oct. 28, & Dec. 2, 2009, at 6:30 p.m.

2010

One Acts - Jan. 28-31, 2010, Thurs., Fri. & Sat. at 7:00 p.m., Sun. at 2:00 p.m.

Lenaea Festival at CSUS - Jan. 29-31, 2010

Self Portrait Show - Feb. 6, 2010

Open Mic - Feb. 26 & May 14, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Empty Bowls Project - Mar. 9, 2010

Jazz Dessert - Mar. 12, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.


Spring Musical - Apr. 22-25, 2010, Thurs, Fri. & Sat. at 7:00 p.m., Sun. at 2:00 p.m.

18<sup>th</sup> Annual La Salle Art Exhibit - Apr. 29, 2010

Spring Instrumental Concert - May 7, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Hollywood Bowl Concert on Mary Lawn - May 21, 2010, at 7:30 p.m.

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