CTAM Community Theatre Association of Michigan

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Building Community at Annual CTAM Conference

Workshops and Masterclass give insight to member theater groups

First of all, a giant thank you to JR Bornemann and his team at Central Auditorium in Midland for hosting us once again for our Fall Conference. And an equally giant thank you to our admin, MJ Denolf, for helping put it all together. It is a herculean task and she makes it look easy.

We had wonderful presenters who we can't thank enough for such great classes. So thank you, in no particular order, to Kathy Pingel, Ron Ziegler, Chad Swan-Badgero, Marty Golob, Kathy Johnson, Susan Matheny, Laurie Hinners, Margaret Anne Slawson, Ben Zylman, Kirk Wahamaki and company for all of the wonderful classes.

Last but not least we would like to thank our generous sponsors Ludus and Associate Controls and Design for their continued support of the conference. Your products and services are invaluable to our theatres and if you missed out on meeting them at the conference we are working on putting together some webinars so you can familiarize yourself with these two great companies.

Overall, our masterclass on directing was a huge hit and very well attended. Everyone walked away with more skills in their toolbox and made great connections. I'm sure they are talking to their home theatres about potentially bringing more of these workshops back to their organization to further grow and strengthen their group through our On The Road Workshop series. Its never too late to sign your group up for On The Road so please reach out today!







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Up-dated e-mail and postal addresses are maintained by the Administrator and should be sent to CTAMthrives@gmail.com.

AACTFEST27 – IT'S OFFICIAL!

MICHIGAN AACTFEST27 IS COMING TO MIDLAND, FEBRUARY 12–14, 2027!



CTAM is excited to announce that our State Festival will be held at the Midland Central Auditorium.
We have secured two adjudicators, Kathy Pingel and Ron Ziegler, and are currently working to secure a third.
Join us for a fantastic weekend filled with outstanding community theatre performances, educational workshops, networking opportunities, afterglows, and plenty of opportunities to connect with fellow theatre enthusiasts!
Registration Rates - Theatre Groups: $150 for up to 8 company members, with discounted rates for additional company members.
Individuals — Early Bird: $70, Individuals — After January 1, 2027: $80
NEW! VIP Registration: $100
VIP registration includes guaranteed seats for each performance, special recognition, and VIP seating at the awards ceremony.
Register today!
Theatre Groups: https://ctam.ludus.com/200553141
Individual Registration: https://ctam.ludus.com/200553144
Mark your calendars, gather your company members, and plan to join us in Midland!

CTAM BACKSTAGE MARKETPLACE

MUCH ADO ABOUT STUFF

One theater's closing night is another theater's opening night! Got costumes collecting dust, set pieces taking up space, or props waiting for their next starring role?

Buy, sell, swap, or share with fellow CTAM member theaters. Because the show must go on — and there's no reason we can't help each other make it happen!

LOOKING FOR SOUND GEAR?

YAMAHA LS9-16 - $700/OBO
PRESONUS STUDIOLIVE 64S PLUS NSB 32.16, NSB 16.8 AND BRIDGING SWITCH FOR $5,000 (THIS IS A GREAT STARTER DIGITAL MIXER WITH 2 STAGEBOXES AND THE NETWORKING SWITCH TO CONNECT THEM ALL!)
4 X AUDIO TECHNICA ATW-R3100 WIRELESS MIC KITS (482.000 – 507.000 MHZ)
BEHRINGER X32 WITH RUGGED ROLLING TRAVEL CASE, USED FOR LITERALLY ONE SHOW, $1500

IF INTERESTED CONTACT CHUCK GODDEERIS AT WEBMASTER@CTAM.ONLINE. IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING ELSE FOR YOUR SOUND OR LIGHTS GEAR LET ME KNOW AS WELL AS I CAN PUT YOU IN TOUCH WITH OTHER GREAT OPTIONS.

Member Theatre Group Shows

Southgate Community Players	The Wolves	October 16 - 24, 2026
Bay City Players	The Crucible	October 16 - 25, 2026
Livonia Community Theatre	Tales from the Scrypt	October 16 - 25, 2026
Central Park Players	MidSummer Nights Dream	October 16 - 25, 2026
Monroe Community Players	Misery	October 16 - 25, 2026
Grosse Pointe Theatre	Stop Kiss	October 17 - 25, 2026
Fenton Village Players	Popcorn Falls	October 23 - 25, 2026
Old Town Playhouse	Dracula - A Comedy of Terrors	October 23 - 31, 2026
Center Stage Theatre	Descendants	October 23 - November 1, 2026
Kalamazoo Civic	Disney's Little Mermaid Jr.	October 23 - November 1, 2026
Community Theatre of Howell	WCTH Radio Hour	25 Oct 2026
Lapeer Community Theatre	Dracula	October 30 - 31, 2026
Manistee Civic Players	Women in Black	October 30 - November 8, 2026
Stagecrafters	Calendar Girls	Novmeber 5 - 22, 2026
Northland Players	1776	November 6 - 14, 2026
Rogers City Community Theatre	Rogers and Hammersteins Cinderella	Nov 6 - 14, 2026
Gratiot County Players	Matilda	November 6 - 15, 2026
Grosse Pointe Theatre	The Descendantss - Youth	November 6 - 15, 2026
Kalamazoo Civic	Silent Sky	November 6 - 15, 2026
Port Austin Community Players	Sanders Family Christmas	November 6 - 15, 2026
Portland Civic Players	SpongeBob the Musical	November 6 - 15, 2026
Avon Players	12 Angry Men	November 6 - 21, 2026
Clarkston Village Players	Every Christmas Story Ever Told (and then some!)	November 6 - 21, 2026

If your show or shows are missing from the list please contact our webmaster and we will remedy the situation as quickly as possible.

For a full list of our Member Theatres please click here.

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