

The Auburn Community Players Present...

Stage Adaptation by
Dean Pitchford and Walter Bobbie

Music by
Tom Snow

Additional Music by
Eric Carmen, Sammy Hagar,
Kenny Loggins and Jim Steinman

Based on the Original Screenplay by
Dean Pitchford

Lyrics by
Dean Pitchford

Director
Dave Cox

FOOTLOOSE

THE MUSICAL



June 1, 2, 8 & 9 at 7:30 p.m.

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Cast & Crew

Ethel McCormack Karla Gjerde-Seman
Rem McCormack Robert Barnts- McAulay
Reverend Shaw Moore Jim Rodgers
Chuck Cranston Brandon Kinney
Vi Moore..... Carrie Sleeper-Bowers
Ariel Moore Julie Pollard
Lulu Warnicker Dora Watson
Wess Warnicker Bret Espey
Eleanor Dunbar Dee Brecke
Coach Dunbar..... Drew Baker
Rusty..... Katie Grant
Urleen Nicole Coppala
Wendy-Jo..... Chloe Adamo
Travis..... Ryan Jarman
Lyle Marco Garcia
Willard Hewitt..... Dylan Zucati
Principal Harry Clark/Cop .. Scott Davidson
Betty Blast Kelsey Johnson
Cow Boy Bob Sam Hefford-Anderson/
Spencer Lucas Rock
Cow Girl..... Sam Hefford-Anderson
Jeter..... Travis Anderson
Bickle Eric Melgar
Garvin Spencer Lucas Rock

Ensemble:

Emily Moren
Emma Zucati
Guinevere Brecke
Katie Briones
Maddie Latora-Guinn
Nicole Johnson
Sabrina Tapp
Samantha Branch
Jonah Zucati
Shawna Holzworth

Production Team

Jim Kleinbeck, Producer
Dave Cox, Director
Suzanne Messinger, Music Director
Valicia Valiani, Choreographer
Jeanine Bartlet, Costumer
Diane Kain, Props
Peter Dingfield, Light Design & Operation
Paul Racey, Sound
Gordon Onorati, Stage Manager
Spot Light. Scott Messinger
Sets: Dave Cox, Stephanie Cox, Brandon Kinney, Bret Espey, Maddie L. Guinn, Scott Davidson, Spencer Lucas Rock, Shawna Branch

Photography: Gary Wigle

Footloose Band:

Suzanne Messinger – Conductor/Piano
Jennifer Matson - Keyboards
Dave Luke – Bass
Joe Wiles – Guitar
Kristina Brockett – Reeds
Aaron Howard – Drums

Special Thanks To the Following:

Children's Dance Theater, Rainer Middle School, Auburn Riverside Drama Department and Karla Gjerde-Seman, Auburn High School, Green River Music, Auburn Skate Connection, The Miss Auburn Scholarship Program and David Devine.

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Cast Biographies

Karla Gjerde-Seman: Karla's last appearance with Auburn Community Players was "Into the Woods" when she played Cinderella's Step Mother. She most recently appeared in a staged reading of "I Hate Hamlet" for the newest Seattle theatre company, Take Five Productions. In her spare time, she teaches theatre and English at Auburn Riverside High School. Having directed "The Diary of Anne Frank" and "Once on This Island" earlier this year, she is currently staging a student production of Shakespeare's "A Comedy of Errors" to be presented July 13,14,15 in Roegner Park. Karla is looking forward to December when she will be appearing in the role she has been waiting to play since the day her daughter was born...that of Mother of the Bride. Much love to Mark, Kacie and Kirk.....

Robert Barnts-McAulay: Robert Would like to thank Dave and Suzanne for this opportunity to play this role! He plans to continue challenging himself since every role he has gotten recently has been more arduous (AND FUN) then the last. He has sung with such companies as Seattle Opera, Tacoma Opera, The Inverse Opera, Opera on Tap, BLT, CLO (SMT) and EMT and was a Hollywood Participant on American Idol.....

Jim Rogers: Jim got his acting start when he cast himself as the Cowardly Lion in The Wizard of Oz. This one-night-only spectacular was performed in his backyard. He was 11. Since then, he's been seen in somewhat better productions, including Anything Goes, The Woodsman, Cannibal: The Musical, and Oliver..Thank you for coming to the show.....

Carrie Sleeper-Bowers: Carrie is thrilled to be back on the Auburn Ave stage where she played Marian in The Music Man and Maria in The Sound

of Music for Ave Act I Dinner Theater. Other favorite roles include: Sandy in Grease at Village Theater and supporting roles in My Fair Lady and Anything Goes at and Second Story Repertory. Love to Dale, Rachel & Shane and Supportive Friends in Maple Valley; Amen!.....

Julie Pollard: This is Julie's first show with Auburn Ave. She has been involved in the drama program at Auburn Riverside High School, and is excited to be expanding to community theatre. She most recently played Erzulie in Riverside's Once on This Island, and is looking forward to playing the character of Ariel in Footloose. She hopes you enjoy the show!.....

Brandon Kinney: Brandon is really proud to be a cast member of Footloose. He enjoys working with his fellow cast mates and director, David Cox. He has performed in several of his high school plays, including Guys and Dolls and Zombie Prom and recently had enjoyed playing Jack in Jack and the Beanstalk for Valley Center Stage in North Bend. He also had roles for the Auburn Community Players before as The Tin Man in Wizard of Oz. . He is really into this and this place and these people are some of the most important things in his life. He would like to also thank his parents since he would not have heard of this place without them.....

Brent Espy: This is Brets fourth show with Auburn Community Players. Previously, he performed in "Into the Woods", "Bye Bye Birdie", and "The Wizard of Oz". He's been singing and playing the drums for over 20 years. Thanks to Dave for giving him the chance of a lifetime two years ago, Suzanne and Valicia for their tireless efforts, and his family for putting up with all my hobbies. He would also like to apologize to Emma and Maddie for any injuries he's caused over the past year!.....

Dora M. Watson: This is Dora's fourth production with the Auburn Avenue Theater. Her most recent shows have been, It's A Wonderful Life in which she played Mary, at Eastridge Church in Issaquah and a nun in Sound of Music for Sumner Manestage. She would like to thank her family for continually supporting this crazy dream.....

Dee Brecke: Dee is making her debut with Auburn Community Players, she is no stranger to theater. Her favorite rolls include Joe Egg in A Day in the Death of Joe Egg (1977), June in Fifth of July (1990), and Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn in Music Man (2010). Footloose was one of her favorite movies/soundtracks when she was a teenager in the 80's and so she is thrilled to bridge the generation gap by sharing the stage with her 15 year old daughter, Guinevere, in this production.....

Drew Baker: This is Drew's third show with Auburn Community Players. He appreciates the efforts of the production team and thanks them for letting him be part of this show. He appreciates his wife Jamie for allowing him to continue to pursue his passion for Community Theater. He sends his thank you all for coming to see the show.....

Katie Grant: Katie is thrilled to be participating in her second musical with the Auburn Community Players. She is a freshman at Auburn Mountainview High School and her world revolves around theater. Her favorite role was Sarah Brown in Guys and Dolls. Her latest role was Anthea in her school production of Joking Apart. Katie hopes to pursue theater as a career and keep doing what she loves.....

Nicole Coppala: Although this is Nicole's 13th production, this is her first with the Auburn Community Players. Roles include Jasmine in Aladdin, Mrs. Van Daan in the Diary of Anne Frank, Hermia in A Midsummer Night's Dream, and Dromio of Syracuse in Comedy of Errors.....

Chloe Adamo: Chloe is very excited to be performing in her thirteenth theatrical production! In her spare time (whatever that is) she plays the violin and takes dance classes at the Children's Dance Theatre. She thanks all of her friends and family for supporting her throughout the years.....

Ryan Jarman: Ryan is on his second play at the Auburn Avenue Theater and is very excited to be apart of this great show with such a great cast. Ryan is on his 4th year of violin and second year of guitar, performing is something he has always enjoyed. He hopes that you will enjoy Auburn Avenue Theatres production of Footloose.....

Dylan Zucati: Dylan is excited to be performing again with Auburn Community Players! He was most recently seen as Young Tommy in Tommy (the Rock Musical) at Burien Little Theatre along with Bobby Barnts. He has also been involved with the Balagan Theatre in Seattle and the Village Theatre in Issaquah. He currently attends high school at Tacoma School of the Arts and studies singing, acting, and theater. This summer he will spend most days in Seattle involved with Dance This, Seattle Children's Theatre, and Balagan Theatre. He can often be seen dancing on and off public transit around town.....

Scott Davidson: Scott last performed on stage 25 years ago and is happy to be back. His favorite actives include hanging with the family, soccer, designing and building sets, photography and especially watching his son, Ian and daughter, Ariel perform on stage. He would like to thank his beautiful and talented wife, Terry for her support of my love of all things theatre. For health coverage, Scott teaches shop to middle school aged kids.....

Kelsey Johnson: Kelsey has been in 8 productions. She decided she wanted to be an actor in 10th grade, and hasn't been taken seriously since. She last played Ursula in Bye Bye Birdie, and will never forget the good memories and friends she made during that show. In her spare time Kelsey likes to daydream and doodle. She would like to thank each and every one of you for coming to the show.....

Sam Hefford-Anderson: Sam is insanely stoked to be in her 2nd Auburn Avenue show! She's been in the theater business for almost half her life now, and doesn't enjoy anything more than working hard, and seeing it all pay off! Credits include; Eddie - 13! The Musical, Kim MacAffee - Bye Bye Birdie, Christi - Rest Stop (Renton Civic Theater), The Caterpillar - Alice in

Wonderland (The Hi-Liners), and a featured dancer in Auburn Ave's The Wizard Of Oz! Much love to Matt, Dylan, and especially to Granny. Love you guys tons!

Spencer Lucas Rock: Footloose is Spencer's first show at the Auburn Ave Theater and he has enjoyed every minute of it. You may recognize him from Auburn Riverside's production of Once Upon A Mattress where he played King Sextimus or in Urtinetown where he played Hot Blades Harry. After not being on stage for over a year he is back doing what he loves. He would like to thank the cast, the crew, and his mother for all of their support, and he hopes you enjoy the show.

Guinevere Brecke: Guinevere loves to perform. She has been in 22 musicals, several dramatic plays, several music revue performances, and an amateur movie as well as 3 years of Choir and 5 years of cheer/drill. She is really enjoying the atmosphere of her first show with Auburn Community Players and is enthusiastic about the songs and all the dancing she gets to do in Footloose.

Maddie Latora-Guinn: Maddie has been acting for a little over a year now, and this is her 3rd production with Auburn Ave. Theater, but will not be her last. She is 15 and attends Auburn Mountainview high school, where she is a very active member of drama club. Maddie loves to act, sing, and dance. She has also recently become a thespian in drama club, and can't wait to perform more shows with Auburn Ave.

Nicole Johnson: Footloose is Nicole's eighth play, and her second with Auburn Community Players. She is so thrilled to be working with old and new friends and is having a blast, as always. She would like to thank her family and friends for all their support of her in the arts, and she hopes you enjoy the show.

Travis Anderson: Travis has been acting since his sophomore year of high school. This is his fourth production and his first with the Auburn Community Players. He has been other productions such as "South Pacific", "Grease", and his favorite "High

School Musical" where he was cast as the role of Ryan Evans. Travis would like to thank his mom for always being so supportive in everything he does....

Samantha Branch: This is Samantha's first production with the Auburn Community Players. She has recently been in Auburn Riverside's production of "Once On This Island" and has been in numerous other musicals. She has been dancing for nearly her entire life. She's really excited to be apart of "Footloose" as a dancer. Thanks to her family for supporting her.

Jonah Zucati: Jonah is excited to be back once again with Auburn Community Players. When he's not performing on stage, Jonah can be found kicking a soccer ball or dancing to his inner song. He currently attends Auburn Mountainview High School where he is very involved in Cross-Country and Soccer and can also be found decorating hallways there in his free time.

Emma Zucati: Emma is so excited to be making her return to Auburn Community Players in Footloose! She started her life of drama at an early age, following her brothers footsteps. One of her early roles was Tiny Tim in Scrooge the Musical at HTA family theater. She currently attends Rainier Middle School and performs onstage there whenever possible, most recently in Dear Edwina directed by the infamous Mr. Cox. Everybody dance Footloose!...

Dave Cox: This is Dave's 4th show as director with Auburn Community players. ACP's production of "The Wizard of Oz!" earned high praise from Auburn's Mayor, Pete Lewis. Mayor Lewis said, "One of the most successful productions of all time at the Auburn Ave Theater." Dave could most recently be seen on stage as Major Malone in "Zombies from the Beyond!" with Auburn MountainView Theater's Summer Alumni Theater Company. When he's not in the Auburn Avenue Theater, Dave teaches drama at Rainier Middle School. Dave would like to thank the production team of Suzanne, Jim, Valicia, Jeanine

Ashley and Diane and the entire cast. Special thanks to Bret, Scott, and Brandon for giving up so much of their time to bring "Footloose" together! Thanks also to Peter for his wonderful lighting and availability. Most importantly, Dave thanks his Family. His two young sons, Davey and Mikey, "My boss says I can come home soon guys!" and his beautiful, hardworking, wonderful wife Steph. "There is no way I could do any of this without you!".....

Suzanne Messinger: Suzanne began her music career at the age of six studying classical piano for 12 years then training vocally for an additional 12 years. She performed professionally as a singer and keyboardist along the west coast for four years before settling in the Columbia River Gorge where she taught music both privately and in the public school systems for 8 years. During that time, she discovered musical theater and it was love at first song. Having been severely "bitten", she devoured every aspect of the theater, both in front of and behind the curtain, focusing specifically on what it takes to be a stand out performer. To date, Suzanne has been an actor, director, musical director, producer, accompanist, stage manager and sound engineer in over 30 productions, most recently in the Lakewood Playhouse presentation of Sweeney Todd. Suzanne teaches piano and voice from her Limelight Performing Arts Studio in Tacoma and here in Auburn with the Children's Dance Studio. She'd like to thank the Auburn Community Players for the amazing opportunity to work in this production and hopes you all enjoy tonight's performance.....

Valicia Valiani: Valicia has fifteen years of dance training in Ballet, Jazz, Hip Hop and Modern. Valicia has studied at Ninth Avenue School of Dance, Westlake Dance Center, Cornish College of the Arts and Walla Walla SDL program. She was also a member of the Washington State University dance program where the team placed second in the Hip Hop category two consecutive years and continued as the coach for the 2007-2008 season. She has most recently worked with Daniel Cruz, Yoshi Wright and Daniel Wilkins. For the past 4 years she has been coaching the Todd Beamer High School Dance Team, currently holding the State Title and placing first in 2010, 2011 & 2012 . Valicia is currently at Auburn Childrens Dance Theater. She has loved working with Auburn Avenue Theatre and all the cast and crew!....

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