

# Iola Community Theatre

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## “THE SUNSHINE BOYS”

### ‘Oliver!’ a hit in Iola

By EMERSON LYNN JR.

“Oliver!” is the situation under review — and it’s magnificent!

An enthusiastic crowd made its way through sleet and threatening blizzard last night to cheer on the large cast to a successful opening of the musical adaptation of Charles Dickens’ classic tale.

Neither audience nor cast was disappointed. The performance was superb and the audience applauded after every song and scene and gave the players and the Iola Area Symphony Orchestra rolling ovations at the conclusion of the two-act extravaganza.

“Oliver!” will be performed for the next three evenings, with each performance beginning at 8:15 at the Bowlus Fine Arts Center. Tickets are still available at Iola Pharmacy and at the box office before each show. Larry and Judie Belew are the directors.

Each of the two acts is divided into six scenes. Each of the scenes, it seems, has two outstanding songs — which means that at least 24 persons turned in great performances deserving of special mention.

There weren’t 24 separate songs, only 17. Special attention should be paid, not to 24 singers, but to more than 50. Since that isn’t practical in reviewing the situation, consider Fagin first.

Jack Jeffery plays the oily, miserly, Fagin, the half-rogue, half-grandfather who keeps a gang of street urchins and lives off their pick-pocketing.

Jeffery who has had feature roles in Iola Community Theatre production for a decade, is perfectly cast in the role and combines his stage expertise, his deft timing and trained voice to bring the character to life.

Iola Register, March 9, 1977

By Neil Simon

Starring

Eugene Myers

as

Willie Clark

Jim Hillbrant

as

Al Lewis

Directed

by

Keith Duncan

Bowlus Fine Arts Center

8:00 p.m.

September 25 & 26, 1981

(Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.)

### “Kiss Me, Kate” a fun musical

By BEN HERRINGTON

Thoroughly enjoyable

That’s the only way to describe “Kiss Me, Kate,” the spring musical by the Iola Community Theatre.

It’s being presented tonight through Saturday night at the Bowlus Fine Arts Center, and if every night is like the final dress rehearsal last night, this musical will be remembered for a long time.

Because last night was good. It’s the kind of show that you can sit back, enjoy the 3-hour performance, and leave with a smile and a song.

In every respect the performance was good. The orchestra handled sometimes difficult Cole Porter music and lyrics well. They were ragged in spots, but they were also in perfect time and played softly enough that the dialogue could be heard.

The chorus was a perfect complement to both the orchestra and main characters. They both sang and acted with spirit and skill.

Much of the credit must go to the actors. “Kiss Me, Kate” has a fairly complex plot, and the meaning could easily have been lost by bad acting. But it wasn’t.

Briefly, the story is of a theater company performing Shakespeare’s “The Taming of the Shrew” in Baltimore in the mid 1940’s.

In Shakespeare’s play, the headstrong and temperamental Katharine is tamed — with some difficulty — by the sly Petruchio.

Offstage, the two playing the lead roles, Lill Vaness and Fred Graham are having the same problems. The two former lovers were divorced a year before, because of “your monumental ego,” she tells him, and “your fiery temper,” he tells her.

But the flame hasn’t really died, as they find out in the course of the performance.

Iola Register, March 2, 1978

# THE SUNSHINE BOYS

A Comedy in Two Acts

by

NEIL SIMON

## CAST

(In order of appearance)

Willie Clark.....	Eugene Myers
Ben Silverman.....	Gary Lee
Al Lewis.....	James Hillbrant
Patient.....	Edye Heiman
Bobbie.....	Julia K. Herder
Nurse.....	Dody Harned
Registered Nurse.....	Hallie Cannon

## ACT I

- Scene 1: Willie's apartment, early afternoon, mid-winter.  
Scene 2: Willie's apartment, the following Monday, a few minutes before 11:00 a.m.

## ACT II

- Scene 1: TV station, about a month later.  
Scene 2: Willie's apartment, two weeks later.

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THERE WILL BE A 10 MINUTE INTERMISSION BETWEEN ACTS.

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PLEASE, NO PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE TAKEN DURING THIS PERFORMANCE  
Please feel free to visit with the actors and crew  
on stage after tonight's performance.

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## PRODUCTION STAFF

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Director's Assistant .....	Julia K. Herder
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Production Manager .....	Leonard Smith
Stage Manager .....	Julia K. Herder
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Set Construction .....	*Richard Spencer, Dee Sell, Keith Duncan, Wanda Canfield, Richard Canfield, Howard Foster, Beth Foster, Les Meredith, Al Caler, Larry Denton
Lighting Design .....	Richard Spencer
Lighting Crew .....	*Gail Strickland, Kelly Beshore, Mike Martin
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\*denotes crew chief

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