



*"Art, in itself, is an attempt to bring order out of chaos." Stephen Sondheim 1930-2021*

December 2, 2021

Dear Friend,

First of all, we send our best hopes that you remain well and safe during the holiday season. When we last wrote in 2019, who could have guessed that we'd all be living through a pandemic! We know that you've endured many challenges in the past two years, but we are convinced that our community prizes the arts and the power of storytelling to uplift, inspire and connect us—especially during the hardest moments of our lives. After five successful seasons, Chestnut Street Playhouse has managed to stay afloat during the pandemic, and we are proud to say—we are still here! The Board of Directors would like to **THANK YOU** for everything you have done to support our theater during these uncertain times. It was wonderful to see so many of you at our shows and special events. We are asking now for your **CONTINUED SUPPORT**.

We have had to get creative with our productions and managed to produce several very successful virtual events and a Gala Reopening Cabaret for both in person and live-streamed audiences. In November, we welcomed in-person audiences for our First Annual Local Playwright's Festival. Since then, we've been able to participate in the global theatrical event "All Together Now!" that featured beloved songs of musical theater past and present with over 2,500 other theaters around the world. And finally, we are just about to open this year's production of "A Christmas Carol," which seems particularly special this year.

Please help us accomplish the goals we have set for ourselves as we move into our exciting 2022 Season. We hope you will consider Chestnut Street Playhouse when making your year-end charitable contributions. **ANY AMOUNT** you donate makes a difference. Or, consider granting a wish from our **CSP WISH LIST**. Please help us continue to do what we love, to bring our community together to make lasting memories through the transformative art of **THEATER!**

**Here are the ways you can make a donation:**

- **Make a donation to our Capital Campaign (online at [www.chestnutstreetplayhouse.org](http://www.chestnutstreetplayhouse.org) )**
- **Send a check payable to CHESTNUT STREET PLAYHOUSE to:  
Chestnut Street Playhouse  
24 Chestnut Street  
Norwich, CT 06360**
- **Grant a Wish from our 2022 Wish List (found on the reverse side of this letter!)**

With heartfelt gratitude,

*The Chestnut Street Playhouse Board of Directors*

Lisa Foss, Rodney Green, Carroll Mailhot, Frank Calamaro, GERALYN Frishman, Carol Lahan, Lisa Marien and Joseph Stafaci

# Chestnut Street Playhouse Wish List

Cash donations in any amount

Season Sponsorship \$10,000

Musical Rights, Royalty, Rental - \$3,500

Play Rights & Royalty - \$1,200

L.E.D. Theater lights (20) \$200 each

Updated Sound System - \$5,000

Season Poster design \$1,000

Courtyard benches (4) \$100 each

Fresh lobby paint \$1,000

Snow Removal Service

Cleaning Service

Dumpster Service \$600-\$800

Home Depot/Lowes Gift Card (helps our production sets) \$25-\$100

Staples Gift Card (helps our office) \$25-\$100

Stop & Shop Gift Card (helps our concessions) \$25- \$100

Amazon Gift Card (helps our production props/costumes) \$50-\$100

Pizza Gift Cards (for cast parties/tech days) \$100

Water cooler service (for our actors and musicians)

Votive candles

Batteries (AAA and AA)

AED machine

First Aid Kits (3)

***Thank you for your generosity!***