

Directed by: Colleen Schulz, & Amanda Smith

Choreographed by: Lori Schmit

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Pit Band: Cody Wisman

Tech: Gary Kaiser

Costumes: ??





#### Plot

**Damn Yankees** is a musical comedy with a book by George Abbott and Douglass Wallop, music and lyrics by Richard Adler and Jerry Ross. The story is a modern retelling of the Faust legend<sup>[1]</sup> set during the 1950s in Washington, D.C., during a time when the New York Yankees dominated Major League Baseball.

Middle-aged real estate agent Joe Boyd is a long-suffering fan of the pathetic Washington Senators baseball team. His wife, Meg, laments this. After she has gone to bed, he sits up late, grumbling that if the Senators just had a "long ball hitter" they could beat "those damn Yankees". Suddenly, the smooth-talking Mr. Applegate appears. He offers Joe the chance to become "Joe Hardy", the young slugger the Senators need. He accepts, even though he must leave Meg. However, his business sense makes him insist on an escape clause. The Senators' last game is on September 25, and if he plays in it, he is to stay as Joe Hardy forever. If not, he has until 9:00 the night before to walk away from the deal and return to his normal life.

## **CHARACTERS**

Joe Boyd - Middle aged Real Estate Agent, turns into Joe Hardy the 22 year old baseball star

Meg Boyd - Joe's long suffering - but loyal wife



### **CHARACTERS**

Mr. Applegate - the devil in disguise as a slick salesman, controlling greedy smooth talker

Lola - the devil's seductress assistant, home wrecker, confident person who has done many bad things, but is a good person deep down.



# **CHARACTERS**

Gloria Thorpe - a probing reporter, fearless & bitey

Mr./Mrs. Welch - owner of the Senators, peace keeper

Van Buren - team manager, bit of loose canon





#### **Practices**

December - LEADS ONLY - Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3 - 5 p.m. Set Building Tuesdays 3 - 5 p.m.

January - Singers, Dancers, & Leads varying days - 3 -5 p.m. acting/singing Full Group Practices Mondays

Dancers - Tuesdays & Thursdays - 7 - 9 p.m.

February - 1st 2 weeks-

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2 weeks out- ALL - 6 - 9 p.m. + Tech

## Performance

Thursday March 12th 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 13th 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 14th 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 15th 2:00 p.m.

<sup>\*</sup>Double Casted - Thursday/Saturday, and Friday/Sunday

#### **AUDITIONS**

THREE PART: SING, ACT, DANCE

SING - Mrs. Smith

ACT - Ms. Schulz

**DANCE - Lori Schmitt** 

All three directors get together and cast the show after all auditions are completed.

## ACTING - 11/11 - 11/13

Sign ups posted outside the amph.

Sign up in groups of 10 for a half hour Acting Audition slot.

Read selected characters & scenes in your group with Ms. Schulz.

If you want a lead, you should do some research.

#### SINGING - 11/11 - 11/13

WORKSHOP: 11/7 3 - 4 p.m. and 7 - 8 p.m. (get & learn required audition piece)

11/11 - 11/13: Sign up outside the choir room for 5 minute audition singing slot

Sing required piece for Mrs. Smith, maybe do a couple of scales or sing part of another piece.

If you want a lead, it should be memorized & performed.

NEW THIS YEAR: It's a mashup.

# DANCING: Tuesday 11/12 in new Dance Studio downstairs

Tuesday 11/12 - 7 - 9 p.m.

All together learn dance (about 8-8 counts), little time to practice then perform

the group in groups of four.





# Questions? - Clips

Shoeless Joe- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NAvhrpuG1qQ

Who's Got the Pain - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BliZuAVZH4w

Heart - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaDxoRFCG w

Whatever Lola Wants - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aQv2sq6jEhU

Near to You - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Al6naI83ucw

Six Months Out of Every Year - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RhhyVNU\_G9k