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Original Musicals

A PACK OF BUNS, BALONEY, AND A BIBLE

The story of Maxine Raines, founder of Lost Sheep Ministry, a ministry to the homeless in Knoxville, Tennessee. First staged reading on October 23rd, 2026, Lost Sheep Ministry Warehouse, Knoxville, TN

1940

The Depression has ended and Hitler is making noise in Europe. But at the Mast General Store, storytellers and musicians from the back of Beech Mountain gather to spin a yarn or a song. They are a hearty lot, able to withstand a major flood and the ravages of the depression, yet maintain their charm, their humor, and their willingness to impart wisdom needed to be heard in today's world. First production with full cast in July, 2025, Lees McRae Summer Theatre season, Banner Elk, NC

THE FLOOD BROTHERS

A blues-infused re-telling of the story of Noah, told from the perspective of two of Noah's sons, Shem and Japheth. First production with full cast in August, 2024, Banner Elk Presbyterian Church, Banner Elk, NC

A CROCKETT CHRISTMAS

A Christmas tall-tale celebration with Davy Crockett and his family at their mountain cabin.

DECORATION DAY

A family reunion folk musical re-telling of the stories from Genesis

SYSTEM

An eclectic musical introduction to human biology and anatomy for kids 1st through 7th grade

ELLA

A prequel to the Cinderella fairy tale, telling the story of how Cinderella found herself under the "care" of a wicked stepmother and two evil stepsisters

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MARK—MY WORDS

A musical presentation of the Gospel of Mark. First performance: March 30, 2021 at Park West Church Dutch Valley, Knoxville, TN

THE [W]RIGHT SISTER:

A historical musical based on the life of Katharine Wright (Wilbur and Orville's sister), commissioned and produced by Lees McRae Summer Theatre, summer, 2023 season.

AMERICA'S ARTIST: THE NORMAN ROCKWELL STORY

A historical musical based on the life of Norman Rockwell, commissioned and produced by Lees McRae Summer Theatre, summer, 2021 season.

FROM THE MOUNTAINTOP: THE EDGAR TUFTS STORY

A historical musical based on the life of Edgar Tufts, founder of Lees McRae Institute, Canon Memorial Hospital, and Grandfather Mountain Orphanage - Commissioned and produced by Lees McRae Summer Theatre, summer, 2019, revived summer 2024.

MOSES, THE MUSICAL

Produced by Lees McRae Summer Theatre, Banner Elk, NC, May, 2026

Commissioned and produced by Lees McRae Summer Theatre, Banner Elk, NC, July, 1999

A WHALE OF A TALE

A pirate-style Jonah musical - Full cast production, Lees McRae Summer Theatre Season, Banner Elk, NC, 2019

PASSPORT PLEASE!

A film noir round-the-world musical - Full cast production, Lees McRae Summer Theatre Season, Banner Elk, NC, 2018

SCREEN TEST

A musical about the dangers of social media and technology - Full cast production, Lees McRae Summer Theatre Season, Banner Elk, NC, 2017

A NIGHT AT THE ALAMO WITH DAVY CROCKETT

Full cast production, Tin Soldier Productions School Tour, Knoxville, TN fall semester, 2007, and fall semester, 2010

Special event presentation, Davy Crockett Birthplace State Park, Greenville, TN, June 25, 2022

SCREAM OF FEAR

A film-noir murder mystery musical based on the Jimmy Sangster/Hammer film

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RUTHIE AND BO

A 1950's musical re-telling of the Biblical story of Ruth - Produced in Tavares and Ormond Beach, FL February, 2010

POINT OF AN ARROW, STRING OF A BOW

An original musical from the legend of Robin Hood - First reading at Western Kentucky University, March 2008

STAR QUEEN

A Purim musical celebrating Queen Esther

Full Cast production, Myers Dinner Theatre, Hillsboro, IN, March, 2016

Two man production, Improv Comedy Clubs, West Palm Beach, Tampa, & Miami, FL, 2004-2008

Full cast production, Playmakers for Christ, Hickory, NC, April, 2004

Two man production, Skyline Theater, Oklahoma City, OK, Mark Anderson Productions September-November, 2003

Full cast production, Lees McRae Summer Theatre, Banner Elk, NC, July, 2003

Two man production, Wonderama Theater, Tulsa, OK, Mark Anderson Productions April-June, 2003

Full cast production, Rivertree Productions, Canton, OH, October, 2002

Full cast production, Harborside Productions, Ruth Eckerd Hall, Clearwater, FL, November, 1999

Full cast production, Lees McRae Summer Theatre, Banner Elk, NC, July, 1998

Live broadcast on "Musical Time," DeutschlandRadio Berlin, Germany, December, 1997

Ongoing self-produced national two man tour, 1995-present

Full cast production, Heska Amuna Synagogue, Knoxville, TN, March, 1995

CHIPPER

A down on the farm musical re-telling of Cinderella featuring a male protagonist and a beautiful mayor's daughter

First production at Lees McRae Summer Theatre Season, July 2000, Banner Elk, NC

First Reading in the Frederick Loewe Room, Spring 2000, Dramatists Guild, New York, NY

Second reading at Western Kentucky University, March 2008

THE LEGEND OF WILEY JAKE

A wild west version of the story of Jacob and Esau - Commissioned by and first reading at the Lucy Moses School at Kaufman Center, New York, NY

Full cast production, Mt. Gilead Productions, Mooresville, IN September, 2008

Full cast production, Joint Organization for Youth, East Canton, OH, May, 2003

Two man production, Improv Comedy Clubs, West Palm Beach, Tampa & Miami, FL, 2004-2008

Ongoing self-produced national two man tour, 2005 to present

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LOVE AUSTIN

A rodeo musical - First production at Lees McRae College, April 2001, Banner Elk, NC
Full cast production, Wonderama Theater, Tulsa, OK, February-March, 2003
Full Cast Revue version, Tweetsie Railroad, Blowing Rock, NC, summer season 2004

SUNNY

A father-daughter modern musical re-telling of Jesus' story of the Prodigal Son
First production by Blue Ridge Community Theatre, May 1999, Boone, NC
Full cast production, Blind Hog Productions, Columbus, IN, December, 2016
Full cast production, Savannah Christian Church, Savannah, GA, September, 2012
Full cast production, Rivertree Productions, Canton, OH, October, 2003
Full cast production, Joint Organization for Youth, East Canton, OH, April, 2002
Full cast production, Blue Ridge Community Theatre, Boone, NC, March, 1999
Ongoing self-produced national two man tour, 2004 to present

SILENT HOPE

Commissioned by the Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Knoxville, TN for their School Awareness Tours of Tennessee, August, 2003-June, 2004
Produced with a full student cast in Florida by Kim Florio.

THE MANGER REARRANGER

A children's Christmas musical based on a true story by Patricia Oaks - Produced by Clayton Christian Church, Clayton, IN, December, 2014

THE DENIM KING

Based on the story of Moses Cone - Commissioned by the Blue Ridge Parkway Association and premiered during the 2007 Season of the Blowing Rock Stage Company, Blowing Rock, NC. Revived with full cast and orchestra at Lees McRae College Summer Theatre in 2015.

COLORS OF HOME

Commissioned by Gwendolyn Johnson Delaney of Ballet Gloria for their Winter Concert, Pellissippi State University, February, 2006, Knoxville, TN

CAROL

A modern musical re-telling of Dickens' A CHRISTMAS CAROL featuring a female Scrooge - Produced in Mooresville, IN December, 2008 and Greenville, IL, December, 2009

TRUE TO YOU

Based on the life of King David - First Reading in the Frederick Loewe Room, Jan. 10th, 2004, Dramatists Guild, New York, NY. Full cast staged reading presented in 2005 at Appalachian State University in Boone, NC.

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MARS NEEDS BIKINIS

A sci-fi/beach blanket musical - Workshop and reading, Banner Elk, NC, July, 2016
Workshop and reading, Knoxville, TN, January, 2014

ON THE WAY DOWN

A one-act musical collaboration with Solbong Kim - Performed at The Juilliard School, Summer 2004.

MIND TRIPS—CHAPTER 1: GO FIGURE AND THE “E”NIGMA

An interactive, guided, big band musical audiobook mystery

QUILTS (in progress)

A story from a classic Russian novel.

Education (Jt Oaks)

Bachelor of Music in Studio Music and Jazz
University of Tennessee, 1991

Affiliations

Alumnus of BMI/Lehman Engel Musical Theatre Workshop
New York, NY 1998-2001
Music Copying Assistant to Michael Gibson, 1998-2001

Music Direction,
Pianist (Regional)

Songs for a New World, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, The Wiz, In the Heights, My Way: The Frank Sinatra Story, Always...Patsy Cline, Schoolhouse Rock, The Velveteen Rabbit, The Last Five Years, Ramona Quimby, The Magician's Nephew, A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline, Decade Diva, Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing, Smokey Joe's Cafe, Barnum, A Grand Night for Singing, The Wizard of Oz, Little Shop of Horrors, Winnie the Pooh, West Side Story, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamboat, Li'l Abner

Transcription, Copying

Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus; Tweetsie Railroad; David, the Musical; Houdini, the Musical; Annie Get Your Gun 1996 Broadway Revival; Dannon Yogurt; The Rosie O'Donnell Show; That's Christmas!; Lee Greenwood Theater