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Schedule at a Glance

NEXT STOP, BROADWAY!

making you feel 😊
Dec. 10 - 12 at 7:30pm



Portfolio Review

Please Join Us!

Finals week is quickly approaching and our Portfolio Class will be presenting their work on December 16th from 12:30-2:30pm in the Atrium Lobby. Come join us for this celebration and review our student's body

DECEMBER 1, 2015

IT'S TIME FOR **GIVING**

#GIVINGTUESDAY™

Please consider giving a gift of scholarship this #GivingTuesday for students of WMU's Department of Theatre. Often, the financial burden of tuition, books and housing stands in the way of very talented students obtaining a college degree. We appreciate anything you can do to support our students this holiday season!

Happy #GivingTuesday!

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of work! Your participation is helpful in providing the students with an "audience" to talk with about their portfolios. Light refreshments will be served.



Alumni News

Geoff Button

Over Homecoming weekend we awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award to theatre performance alum Geoff Button who is currently working in Chicago as an actor and director with the prestigious Hypocrites Theater. While he was in town he was able to spend time visiting classes and working with our students. We are proud of our alumni and it was great to have Geoff come back to pass on his expertise.



NEXT STOP, BROADWAY!

with Broadway's Beth Leavel

DECEMBER 10-12 at 7:30pm

The Music Theatre Performance class of 2016 will share the stage with acclaimed Broadway actress, Beth Leavel! Ms. Leavel received Tony, Drama Desk, NY Outer Critics Circle and L.A. Drama Critics Awards for her comedic performance as the title character in *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Other Broadway credits include *Mamma Mia!*, *Young Frankenstein*, *42nd Street*, *Crazy For You*, *The Civil War*, *Show Boat*, *Baby It's You* and *Elf*. Her film and TV credits include *ER*, *Law & Order: Criminal Intent*

The University Theatre Box Office is open Monday through Friday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Walk in or call 269-387-6222.

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and The Unusuals. She recently made her NY Cabaret debut at 54 Below to sell out audiences.

"Nobody plays musical comedy - with the emphasis on comedy - better than Beth Leavel."
- [Broadway.com](#)

SPECIAL EVENT: December 10, 6:30pm
Enjoy a pre-show conversation with Beth Leavel and a reception by BRAVO! to benefit the Theatre Guild Scholarship fund! Special pricing applies. Call 269-387-6222 for details.

[Buy Next Stop, Broadway Tickets Here](#)



WMU Pre-College Theatre Workshop

High School Students Sharpen Their Skills With WMU Faculty

On November 14th high school students from across the tri-state area came to the WMU Department of

Theatre for design and acting workshops. They spent the day with theatre majors & faculty learning about different aspects of the theatre. The design applicants worked on puppetry, Vector Works, and scenic painting techniques. Acting applicants learned about vocal & physical warm ups, improvisation, auditions and armed staged combat. After the workshops the students were invited to stay to see *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, with a pre-show talk with Jay Berkow the director, and for a tour of the set after the show.

