

Your support is their future



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Dear friends,

It is hard to explain the joy that erupted at my home the night of 2015's Tony Awards, when MTWichita's summer resident company gathered to watch alumna Kelli O'Hara receive a well-deserved Tony for best actress after six nominations and more than 15 years of outstanding Broadway performances.



Music Theatre Wichita has been a launching pad for the Broadway Stars of Tomorrow for decades now, and we are so pleased to share some of Kelli's sentiments with you in the following pages.

We hope you all understand the extent to which your contributions fuel the future of these young performers and technicians – oftentimes, they could not achieve their dreams without us, and we certainly could not do it without you!

Please consider giving now to help Music Theatre Wichita create opportunities for young talent to shine!

Wayne



Opportunities for Support

In addition to making an annual gift, other ways to support MTWichita include:

- ✿ Checking to see if your company matches employee contributions
- ✿ Sponsorships (individual and corporate)
- ✿ Gifts of appreciated securities
- ✿ Joining the Music Theatre Wichita Guild
- ✿ Joining the Wallace Legacy Society by including Music Theatre Wichita in your estate planning.

More information can be found on our website at mtwichita.org.
Or contact Angela Cassette in the MTWichita office (316.265.3253; acassette@mtwichita.org).



I am writing

...in support of Music Theatre Wichita's future because they were an integral part of building mine.

In 1997, I received my first professional job offer from MTWichita and proceeded to have the most unforgettable, life-changing summer of my life. It was during this summer that I decided to make my life in the theatre. It was there at MTW that I met the best professional contacts and the closest personal friends that would support my decision to move to New York City (where I have remained for the last 18 years). I have been in ten Broadway shows as well as Off-Broadway and regional productions, and I have never been in a cast that didn't include at least one other MTW alum. We are everywhere, and I have always taken great pride in that.

These professionals come from all over the country to work at MTW, so in NYC, MTW is what binds many of us together. We work with each other, we connect people, we share memories, and we know we have been educated.



There are many artistic institutions around the country that are making change, affecting lives, promoting dreams, but few seem to have the power, stamina and enthusiasm of MTW. MTW is situated in just the right location to bring art to those who find themselves forever changed by its message, and yet they are a competitive force in the professional theatre scenes from NYC to LA and in between.

I write on behalf of so many working professionals who believe in the future of MTW because they have been or are currently being affected by its influence, but, more importantly, I write on behalf of young artists who should have the opportunity to benefit from this establishment and understand what real, professional theatre is in order to craft a dream and a future for themselves the way I did.

Thank you so very much for your support.

—Kelli O'Hara

Kelli O'Hara's MTWichita credits include two seasons in the resident company, Magnolia in *ShowBoat*, and the 40th Anniversary Gala Concert. Broadway credits include Tony nominations for *The Light in the Piazza*, *The Pajama Game*, *South Pacific*, *Nice Work If You Can Get It*, *The Bridges of Madison County*, and a Tony Award for her current role as Anna in *The King and I*.



Giving Levels & Benefits



Each level receives the benefits of all previous levels.

- ✿ **Performers** \$1-249
- ✿ **Directors** \$250-499
Listed in the summer playbill;
invited to private intermission
receptions in the Founders'
Room during the 2016 season.
- ✿ **Producers** \$500-999
Invited to MTWichita's annual
meeting in January.
- ✿ **Patrons** \$1,000-2,499
May receive two dress
rehearsal passes for a 2016
show upon request.
- ✿ **Underwriters** \$2,500-4,999
- ✿ **Benefactors** \$5,000-9,999
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Invited to a private dinner
with Wayne.
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