







"This repertory company led by Tim Carroll was firing on all cylinders this year."

THE GLOBE AND MAIL

Clockwise from top left: Kimberley Rampersad as Lola in *Damn Yankees*; Jonathan Tan as Private Napoleon Alexander Trotsky Meek in *Too True To Be Good*; James Daly as Joe Hardy in *Damn Yankees*; André Morin as Jack in *Gaslight*; Sharry Flett as Dr Patricia Cullen in *The Doctor's Dilemma*; Jason Cadieux as Mr Hubble in *A Christmas Carol*; Peter Fernandes as Algernon Moncrieff in *The Importance of Being Earnest*; David Alan Anderson as Solly Two Kings in August Wilson's *Gem of the Ocean*; Kate Hennig as Lady Bracknell in *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

CHAIR'S REPORT

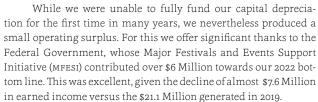
My first full year as Chair was an exciting time. It saw our 60th anniversary, and our largest and longest season ever. We began to see a return to some normalcy—only losing 28 of 811 scheduled performances, versus the 303 lost in 2021. By the end of the year, audience numbers had started to recover, with 2022 holiday shows surpassing 2019 attendance.

At the same time, the season began under 50% capacity restrictions, and by summer continued to face mounting challenges. Border crossings remained sluggish, and attendance numbers reflected a persistently hesitant audience population. Through the summer, performances rose to only 50% of normal attendance. Understudies and extra staffing were significantly augmented and constantly required to mitigate illness and other concerns. Earned incomes remained far from normal.

But the work was glorious. More than 170,000 of you came to a gradually revitalised Niagaraon-the-Lake to attend performances, and 61,000 of you joined us in one of the more than 3900 (!!) other events, classes, and activities we offered beyond the shows.

TC, Kimberley and their creative teams - and indeed all of our artists, crews, artisans and staff - should be very proud of the work that went onto all of our indoor and outdoor stages. Despite all adversity, the work was truly wonderful. I am very thankful for all of the effort and initiative

of so many people to make that possible.



Further, and even more importantly, you gave – and gave most generously. 2022 was the single best individual fundraising year in our history, exceeding \$11.8 Million in donated revenues, and proving beyond a doubt how much you believe in us and what we are doing. Those donations were not a series of large grants by a small group of people, but rather a wide range of households of all

kinds, investing in our art, our artists, and our future. We are truly blessed.

As I noted last year, a vision for the future of the Shaw has evolved under the leadership of TC and Tim Jennings, along with the dynamic Kimberley Rampersad. It is a vision – wholly supported by our Boards – of a theatre focused on real human connection; one that values and encourages more interaction and understanding between audiences, artists, and communities. It is a vision that seeks to serve the greater societal needs that art and gatherings in person best serve. We have begun the work of examining what physical assets will need to be acquired, modified, or rebuilt to meet our needs. We are striving to be in a position to present our developed vision later this spring.

Finally, I must thank our amazing Board of Directors and Tim and TC. Their work in guiding The Shaw through these last three tumultuous years has been nothing short of remarkable. As we have said before, but we are most fortunate to have such leaders. I offer a big thank you to outgoing board member Vivien Dzau, and to all our Board of Governors, our Shaw Festival (USA) Board and the Board of our Endowment Foundation.

Thank you all for your dedication and support of The Shaw. I look forward to welcoming you back here very soon.

THIS IS HOW WE GOT HERE

by Keith Barker, produced by Native Earth Performing Arts, presented by the Shaw Festival, directed by Keith Barker, set design by Shannon Lea Doyle, associate set designer Kara Pankiw, costume design by Isidra Cruz, lighting design by Jennifer Lennon, original music and sound design by Christopher Stanton, fight direction by Richard Comeau.

Nicole Joy-Fraser as Lucille and Kristopher Bowman as Paul. "A perfect play and production for our times. We have all gone through a lot in these last two years: yearning to be with loved ones and friends and not being able to; having endured loss and isolation and not knowing how to deal with it; finally being in a room with strangers, watching a play. That the play is about grief allows us to experience what the characters are going through and to have a cathartic experience. We weep for them and for what we've missed. And we get through it together." THE SLOTKIN LETTER





EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2022 was a significant step forward in the road to recovery, but far from complete. By the end of the year, we had managed to hit about 65% of our 2019 attendance, with the most normative part of the year coming in November and December with the holiday productions. In some ways, that 65% number is a good one – Broadway and many urban theatres did not manage to crest 50% of 2019 attendance – but of course such a number is unsustainable for any of us.

Thanks again to the ongoing support of our amazing donors, combined with much better ticket sales and excellent government support programs, I am happy to report we were able to post a very small operating surplus of \$7K, having taken in \$35.7 Million in total operating revenues. Unfortunately, for the first time in many years, we were unable to fund the accounting impact of amortization of capital assets,

resulting in an anticipated, but difficult, negative impact on our year end of -\$1.1 million, leaving our total accumulated surplus at only \$258k.

\$35.7 Million is still the single largest revenue year in our history, surpassing even 2019, and primarily driven through philanthropic investment and government support. That is a truly heartwarming and rewarding thing.

Market downturns on our Foundation investments were mitigated by excellent management, and so our Endowment was saved the major losses seen by many. At year end, the Endowment Foundation Fund Balance was at a solid \$36 Million, with market trends hopefully starting to look better.



Once again, my most profound satisfaction has come from our ability to maintain employment and contracts for all 600 of our staff and artists throughout the pandemic. So many people in our industry have not been so fortunate. Despite unbelievable challenges, our team remained stable and sheltered from most of the financial and other impacts of the pandemic, even if Covid mitigation continued to be exhausting and frustrating for everyone.

As Ian noted, TC and Kimberley led our artists in creating our largest and longest season of live theatre – and the work was truly remarkable. I witnessed first-hand how hard they both worked and wish to thank them for that leadership. Thank you also to our whole Shaw management team, our staff, artists and Guild members and all four of our amazing boards for their work and continued faith in us and in our vision for a more deeply connected world through theatre.

I want to offer a personal thank to outgoing board member Vivien Dzau, who has been a real friend and advisor to me personally, and to our Chair Ian Joseph, Vice Chair Tim Price, Treasurer Greg Prince and Secretary Liz Dipchand, and their committee Chairs Jaime Watt, Lyle Hall and Peter Jewett for leading us ever forward!

My deepest thanks are, ultimately, to all of you. Your belief in us, in art and in the power of theatre to engage deeply and resonantly is truly inspiring and it keeps me passionate and energized to tackle every new challenge. We mean it when we say, we really couldn't do it without you!!

I look forward to welcoming you back for our 61st season!

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There's no point complaining: we did this to ourselves. If we had not, in 2021, created beautiful outdoor performance spaces, and if we had not filled them with music and dance and poetry and laughter, we would not then, in 2022, have been faced with an audience demanding that we keep making all that outdoor magic at the same time as doing all the indoor work we would offer in a normal year.

But we had done all those things. And so of course we had to keep doing them

It was not as if we were out of the woods, either. As we all know, the pandemic washed over us time and again, and, although the combination of vaccines and masking meant that its impact was not so deadly, it did come very close, more than once, to shutting us down: we played *Damn Yankees* several times in a concert version – no set changes or lighting effects, almost no dancing – because that was the only way we could get through it safely.

It's all well and good throwing an understudy on, as long as they know where and when to get out of the way while a huge piece of scenery descends to the stage; but when not only the actor is out but also their understudy, the risk is too great. You have to decide: cancel the show or do a concert version? It speaks volumes, both for the loyalty of our audience and the skill and spirit

of our performers, that people still came out of those shows buzzing – and then took advantage of our offer to come back and see the whole show for free.

So the heroes of 2022 were, without question, the understudies – and not just the ones you saw on stage. Backstage was often just as crazy with stage crew, stage managers, dressers, wig technicians etc covering each other's jobs, sometimes while trying to do their own one as well. And don't forget, not only every understudy who went on (and nearly half of our performances featured a change from the advertised cast) but every understudy who didn't go on, had to be fitted and dressed in

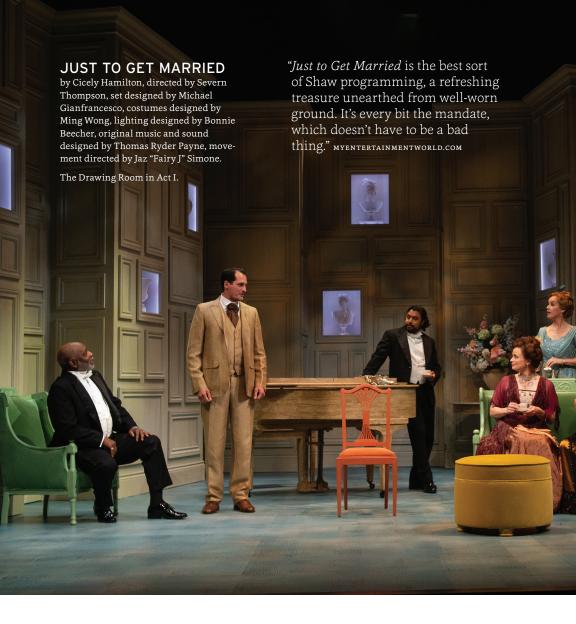


their own costume and rehearsed into the staging. So the heroic work began long before the dreaded 'Guess what?' phone call came in.

In spite of it all, we pulled off an incredibly ambitious season. The outdoor events were a huge hit. We made some marvellous theatre. And we spent time together, making and experiencing live art. There is nothing like the feeling of exercising our creativity and imagination in the company of other people. Last year proved, beyond any doubt, that our souls feel better for doing so. And it gave a tantalising hint of what we might be able to achieve if our vision for the next generation at The Shaw can be realised.

TIM CARROLL





"The 2022 season has been the strongest since Tim Carroll took over as artistic director. The Bernard Shaw productions have felt urgent, dangerous and unapologetic – and the canonical, contemporary and rewritten-classic shows programmed around them have felt in conversation with one another and our times (and organically inclusive)."





ASSOCIATE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Over the last three seasons we have found a way to come together despite apparent obstacles. Our shared desire to seek theatre to recharge our spirits is the common thread which pulled and continues to pull us together into the tapestry we call our community.

I was reinvigorated by the arrival of our Intensive participants in February last year. A beautiful group of new and newer actors to the company who were paid to take classes with us for two weeks before formal rehearsals began. Their presence, as vibrantly-coloured threads, injected new life into the company.

The Embedded Artists and Ensemble demonstrated their ingenuity and flexibility, moving from space to space - mending and bending where required. Whether it be digital needs, teaching, or mentoring a new artist, these noble threads are foundational.

Last season was my first opportunity to select the two Neil Munro Directing Interns, and their presence and art made my heart burst. Both Ryan G Hinds and Christopher Manousos made their marks as invaluable artists and announced themselves as ones to watch. They wove through the season with sparkle and shine.

My great fortune is to be in your midst and move about as an Ensemble member, director, and administrator. It allows me to witness the magic being woven by every department to create something special every day.

I hope you too witness and weave some magic of your own while you spend time with us this season. I will be on the Festival Patio waiting to hear from you!

KIMBERLEY RAMPERSAD

The Shaw wishes to acknowledge and honour the land upon which we gather as the historic and traditional territory of First Nations peoples. In particular, we recognize and thank the Neutral Nation, the Mississauga and the Haudenosaunee for their stewardship of these lands over millennia. We also wish to thank all of the First Nations peoples in Canada, and the Indigenous peoples of the United States, for their ongoing and important roles in the caretaking of the lands beneath our feet, wherever we travel on Turtle Island.

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EVERYBODY by Branden Jacobs-Jenkins, directed by László Bérczes, set designed by Balázs Cziegler, costumes designed by Sim Suzer, lighting designed by Kevin Lamotte, music direction, original music and sound designed by

"A stellar production... László Bérczes and a top cast give this play an outing that elevates the material... knowing that the actors may be playing a role for the first or second time lends a spontaneity that keeps the show fresh."

Deborah Hay as God.

Claudio Vena.



CHITRA by Rabindranath Tagore, directed and choreographed by Kimberley Rampersad, set and costumes designed by Anahita Dehbonehie, lighting designed by Chris Malkowski, original music and sound designed by Ryan deSouza and Darryn deSouza.

Gabriella Sundar Singh as Chitra with Jade Repeta, Caitlyn MacInnis and David Andrew Reid. "A fine first step in opening Festival-goers eyes to the work of a master like Tagore and to the realm of pan-global drama in general. The world of the Shaw Festival's original mandate, works written by Shaw's contemporaries, is very wide and extends beyond the British Isles, America and Canada. I, for one, would like to see as much from that wider world as possible." STAGE-DOOR.COM



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IN MEMORIAM Tadeusz Bradecki • Mark Burgess • Richard Farrell • John Gilbert • Martha Henry • William Humphries • Wendy Jarry • Peter McBoyle • Christopher Newton • Victor Rice • Ada Slaight • Allan Slaight • Bob Vernon • Colin D. Watson

DAMN YANKEES words and music by Richard Ader and Jerry Ross, book by George Abbott and Douglass Wallop, directed by Brian Hill, music direction by Paul Sportelli, Choreography by Allison Plamondon, set and costumes designed by Cory Sincennes, lighting designed by Michael Kangas, sound designed by John Lott, magic and illusions designed by Skylar Fox.

Jay Turvey as Van Buren with the Ensemble.

"Plays out like a joyous warm summer night in the baseball park. Satisfying and reminiscent of a simpler time, audiences of all ages will find plenty to enjoy in this energetic production."





SELECTED 2022 STATISTICS

VENUE	NUMBER OF EVENTS	ATTENDANCE	%*
Festival Theatre	237	100,766	50
Royal George Theatre	268	48,748	61
Jackie Maxwell Studio Theatre*	169	16,272	51
Outdoor/Community Stages	109	5017	44
Cancelled or Altered Performances**	(28)	(N/A)	(N/A)
Total Season	783	170,803	52

 $^{^{*}}$ initial february performances in this venue under 50% capacity restrictions due to covid.

^{**} ALTERED PERFORMANCES INCLUDED STAGED READINGS AND CONCERT VERSION OFFERED DUE TO UNMANAGEABLE ABSENCES.

Education / Outreach events (including digit	tal)	3943	60,903	N/A
SOURCES OF REVENUE AUDITED (in thousands)	2022	%	2021	%
Earned revenues	\$13,543	38	\$3,893	15
Fundraising	11,868	33	7,306	29
Government grants — operating	2,170	6	2,440	9
Government grants — Covid 19	2,816	23	7,729	30
Insurance			4,382	17
Total Operating Revenue	\$35,697	100	\$25,750	100
PRIVATE SECTOR FUNDRAISING REVENUE (in thousands)	2022	%	2021	%
Contributions & sponsorships	\$ 5,771	49	\$3,954	54
Memberships	1,237	10	1,303	18
Special events, in-kind donations & other contributions	613	5	106	1
Foundations	4,247	36	1,943	27
Total private sector fundraising revenue	\$11,868	100	\$7,306	100

GASLIGHT by Johnna Wright and Patty Jamieson, based on the play Angel Street by Patrick Hamilton, directed by Kelli Fox, set and costumes designed by Judith Bowden, lighting designed by Kimberly Purtell, original music and sound designed by Gilles Zolty.

Julie Lumsden as Bella .

"Normally when producers find material broadly objectionable, I think they should simply not produce it. This *Gaslight*, though, makes a convincing case for the renovation, not because it is palatable to our tastes but because it is so satisfying as genre drama. It doesn't hurt that the production, directed by Kelli Fox, is taut and luscious...with Lumsden particularly compelling as a woman waking up to her powers."

E Lumsden as Bella .

THE NEW YORK TIMES



CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (in thousands)		
	AUDITED December 31 2022	AUDITED December 31 2021
ASSETS		
Accounts receivable	4,302	3,325
Other assets	1,016	998
Capital assets (net)	23,673	22,765
	28,991	27,088
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Bank loan	3,774	1,722
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,568	1,174
Deferred revenue	2,452	2,796
Deferred contributions	3,700	3,206
Long term debt	3,378	2,359
Deferred capital contributions	13,861	14,459
Total liabilities	28,733	25,716
NET ASSETS		
Balance, end of year	258	1,372
	\$28,991	\$27,088

BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The Theatre follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Externally restricted contributions are deferred when initially recognized in the accounts and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred or the restriction is met. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

^{*} Financial information is derived from the annual audited financial statements, which are available through The Shaw or on our website

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (in thousands)		
	AUDITED 2022	AUDITED 2021
EARNED REVENUE	\$13,543	\$3,893
INSURANCE		4,382
CONTRIBUTED REVENUE		
Fundraising	11,868	7,306
Grants — operating	2,170	2,440
Grants and subsidies – Covid	8,116	7,729
Total Contributed Revenue	22,154	17,475
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	35,697	25,750
EXPENSES		
Production and artistic	21,349	13,841
Marketing and sales and audience services	4,876	2,818
Facilities	2,313	2,024
Ancillary	1,104	1,027
Administration	3,475	3,365
Fundraising	2,339	1,461
Loan interest	233	222
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	35,690	24,758
EXCESS OF OPERATING REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	7	992
ITEMS RELATED TO CAPITAL ASSETS		
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	942	882
Amortization of capital assets	(2,063)	(1,705)
Disposal of capital assets		(55)
(DEFICIENCY) EXCESS OF EVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$(1,114)	\$114

SHAW FESTIVAL THEATRE ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION

The Endowment Foundation was formed in 2003 under the chairmanship of Anthony R. Graham, a Past Chair of the Shaw Festival Theatre, Canada. It is a separately incorporated entity in Canada. The Foundation is a registered charitable organization and a public foundation whose objects are to receive, hold and maintain one (1) or more funds and to transfer from time to time all or part of the income therefrom and the capital thereof [unless endowed by the contributor] for the benefit of the Shaw Festival Theatre, Canada.

The Foundation's funds are used for the long-term support of the Shaw Festival. During 2019 the investment committee of the foundation solicited proposals from 10 investment firms and chose to change portfolio management. The new fund managers are Fiera Capital Corporation and RP Investment Advisors. A portion of the accumulated net investment income provides The Shaw with a reliable source of revenue for operations, and fosters

initiatives such as new play development and education programs. As the endowment grows, it is becoming a significant source of revenue through both prudent investment and continuing contributions from donors who appreciate that a healthy endowment is a sign of fiscal responsibility.

Thanks to the generosity of many Shaw supporters and the Canadian Federal and Provincial endowment matching incentive programs, the Shaw Festival Endowment ended 2022 with a fund balance of \$36 million after distributions. The Endowed Fund includes donor contributions, contributions from the Canadian Cultural Investment Fund of Heritage Canada, and contributions from the Ontario Arts Fund.

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at December 31 (in thousands)		
	UNAUDITED 2022	AUDITED 2021
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$272	\$549
Amounts receivable	85	768
Other assets	1,638	1,330
	1,995	2,647
Investments at fair value	35,219	35,653
	\$37,214	\$39,300
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$1,210	\$48
	1,210	48
FUND BALANCES	36,004	39,252
	\$37,214	\$39,300
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS As of December 31 (in thousands)		
	UNAUDITED 2022	AUDITED 2021
REVENUE		
Grants and contributions	\$1,120	\$2,897
Net Investment income	(1,533)	4,448
	(413)	7,345
EXPENSES		
Administration	21	14
Excess of revenue before grants	(434)	7,331
GRANTS		
Shaw Festival Theatre, Canada	2,814	1,195
(DEFICIENCY) EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$(3,248)	\$6,136

PROFESSIONAL AND AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT: THE SLAIGHT FAMILY ACADEMY

Now in its second decade, The Slaight Family Academy offers programs designed to inform, enrich and deepen The Shaw experience.

Through the Academy, The Shaw provides professional in-season training for members of the company as well as apprenticeships for young actors, designers, directors, technicians and stage managers. Before the season begins, we program a two-week Intensive. In late 2021, the Academy moved under Associate Artistic Director, Kimberley Rampersad, who, along with senior company members and visiting experts, were then able to give our young actors an immersion into the techniques of classical, ensemble theatre and an introduction into the political, social and cultural history of our namesake's era, to help them create the bonds that make our ensemble so expert in their work.

The Neil Munro Intern Directors Project, named for our late Associate Director, and under the direction of Kimberley Rampersad, is designed to showcase the work of our two intern directors, as they direct a one-act play that is then designed, rehearsed and presented for audiences of company members, specially invited artistic directors and other theatre professionals and members of the Governors Council. Dozens of directors from across the country apply each year, and many of our graduates are now enjoying successful careers as freelance directors and artistic directors. This showcase has been produced for many years and is unique in Canada. The program is generously funded by an anonymous donor. In 2022, the Neil Munro Intern Directors were Ryan G Hinds and Christopher Manousos

For our audiences we offer a range of programs, amplified by a significant investment in supporting Tim Carroll's call for "a more human, more connected theatre." Throughout the performance season these activities include the Shaw Seminars, Teachers Days, Speakers Series, backstage tours, workshops, lectures, public readings and "Continue the Conversation" pre- and post-show discussions with the acting ensemble, the Guild and Shaw company members.

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This activity is all made possible by the generous support of The Slaight Family Foundation. The Slaight family has had a profound impact on The Shaw for decades, through their individual and collective generosity and leadership. In 2009 the Academy was renamed in their honour.

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