

Butler Little Theatre

A Little Theatre. A Lotta Fun



2022-2023 Annual Report

President's Message

The little theatre movement began early in the Twentieth Century, enabling local theatre enthusiasts to express their artistic talent while benefiting the communities they served. Today, we continue that tradition and take our role seriously, ensuring the experience is fun and enriching for everyone.

Last season, the BLT took steps to address challenges caused by the pandemic. We adjusted our season from five shows to four, allowing more time between productions. Our loyal patrons responded generously to our yearend fundraising appeal, making up for lost revenues due to COVID-related shutdowns.

We restarted our youth theatre education program, providing training to young actors from grades three to eight. We added music to our repertoire by opening the theatre to local musicians and the Keystone Opry. The BLT proudly hosted a nationally known author to discuss his lifelong literary works. We also conducted our first-ever audience satisfaction survey, helping the Board of Directors plan for an exciting future.

An active theatre is a necessary part of any community that desires to grow and prosper in business and culture. We are determined to succeed. With your continued support, we surely will.

**Dennis Casey, Chairman
BLT Board of Directors**



Year-at-a-Glance

- Plays produced: 4
 - Social Security
 - A Christmas Carol
 - Lifespan of a Fact
 - The Book of Will
- Total Attendance: 3,864
- Subscribing Members: 107
- Production Volunteers: 108
- Youth Education Program Enrollment: 26
- Musical Events: 4
- Guest Speaker Events: 1
- BLT Membership Events: 2
- Total Performance Days: 43
- Board of Directors Meetings: 12



Financials

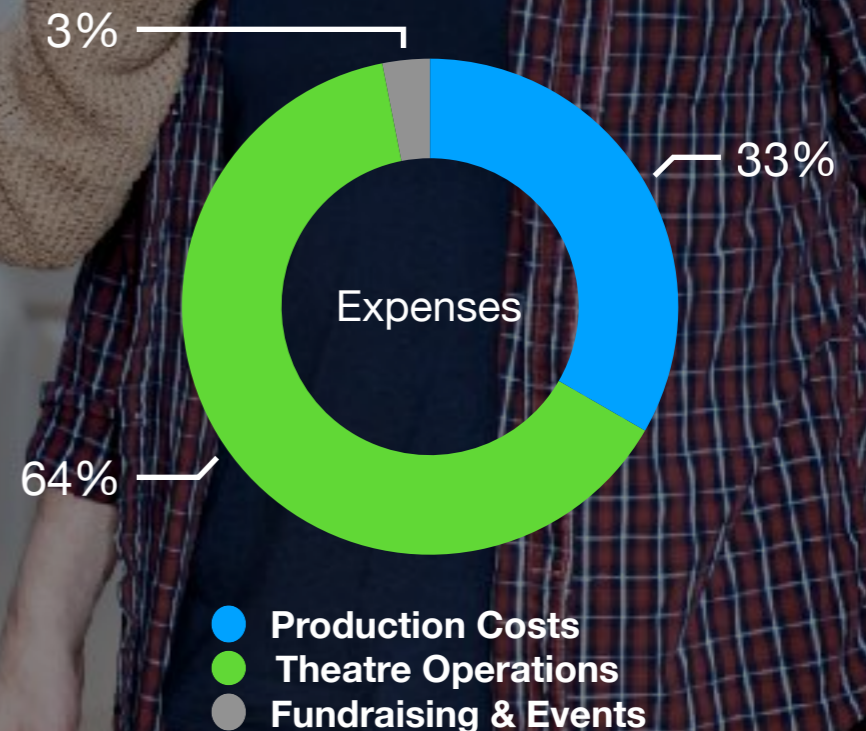
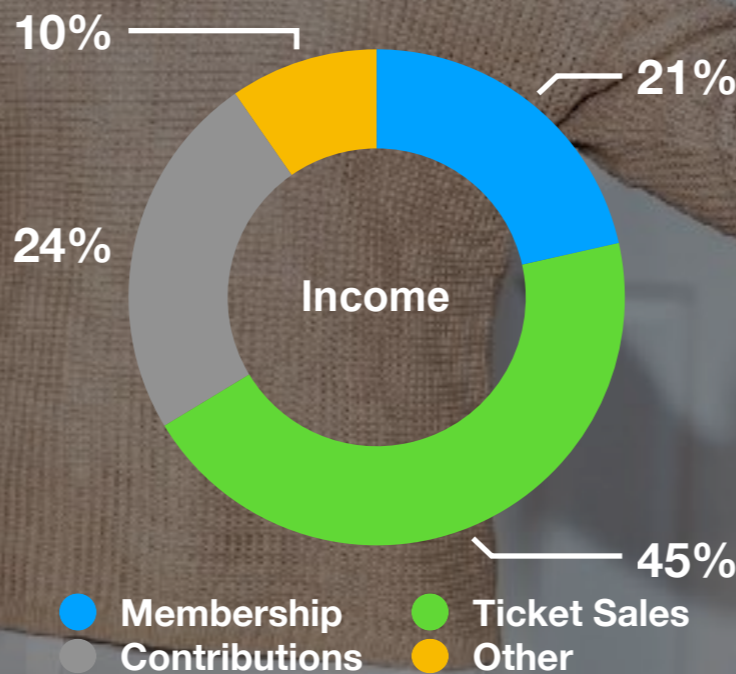
For the year ending May 30, 2023

Income

• Memberships	\$15,348
• Ticket Sales	32,055
• Contributions	17,150
• Other	6,907
• Total	\$71,460

Expenditures

• Production Costs	\$19,927
• Theatre Operations	38,012
• Fundraising & Events	1,853
• Total	\$59,793



About Us

The BLT is among the oldest continuously active theater groups in Pennsylvania and the United States. Our origins trace back to the 1920s, with formal incorporation in 1941. For over eight decades, we have provided Butler audiences a gateway to explore new worlds of experience, emotion, and knowledge.

Since its founding, the BLT has produced more than 400 Broadway plays. Our shows range from compelling dramas to hilarious comedies and everything in between. Since 2016, the Butler Little Theatre has entertained more than 21,000 patrons.

Volunteers provide the engine that propels BLT forward. They serve as actors, directors, producers, designers, stagehands, and house staff. Our volunteer board of directors steers BLT toward a promising future with solid governance and strict financial policies.

The Butler Little Theatre is a nonprofit, tax-exempt charitable organization eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions under the IRS Code section 501(c)(3), federal EIN 23-7064108. The BLT is registered with the Pennsylvania Bureau of Charitable Organizations, registration number 119591. Registration does not imply endorsement.

Whether you become a member or volunteer, make a generous donation, or plan for a legacy gift, you enrich the lives of everyone who benefits from live theatre productions. Community theater is part of the social fabric that makes Butler a wonderful place to live and work. Please join us downstage center, and let's take a bow together.

Board of Directors

Officers:

Dennis A. Casey, Chair
Phillip Ball, Vice Chair
Sue Collar, Treasurer & Immediate Past
Chair
Nedra Casey, Secretary

Directors:

Casey Bowser
Charlene Fleming
Stephanie Kobil
Matt Leslie
Rik Medic
Elizabeth Smith
Susan Sontum



Support the BLT

Ticket sales and subscription membership fees only cover a portion of the funds needed to present live theatre entertainment to Butler audiences. In addition to donating cash, you can support the Butler Little Theatre through estate planning and donating personal property or other assets. Below are several options to consider. Please check with your legal or financial advisors to learn the many available options and benefits.

- Include a bequest to BLT in your will or estate plan.
- Donate appreciated stock
- Contribute a Charitable Rollover from your IRA
- Use Life Insurance or a Charitable Gift Rider
- Donate personal property or real estate
- Create a Charitable Remainder Trust

For more information about the many ways to donate to the Butler Little Theatre, visit our website. ButlerLittleTheatre.com/other-ways-to-give



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