



September, 2020

### Announcing the Cast of “Merrily We Roll Along”

#### Character

Franklin Shepard	Patrick Pase	Michael Silber
Mary Flynn	Christa Kronser	Hope Shapiro
Charley Kringas	Cathy McCoskey	Gabrielle Minor
Gussie Carnegie	Cathy Barth	Sherry Mitchell
Beth Spencer/Meg Kincaid	Annabelle Leete	Wanyi Ng
Joe Josephson/Bunker	David Buckingham	
K.T.	Suzanne Smith	
Tyler	Leah Camphor	
Jerome/Mr. Spencer	Bernard Kelley	
Scotty	Kathy Nieman	
Mrs. Spencer/TV Newswoman	Kathryn Leete	
Dory/Judge	Rhapsody Dearing	
Ru/Mary’s Roommate	Kristi Gardner	
Photographer/TV Newsman	Penny Martin	
Minister/Make-up Artist	Victoria Gorska-Rabuck	
Downtown Club Pianist	Lisa Sedares	

We’re excited to announce the talented cast of the 2020 Fall Show! Everyone is already hard at work learning the ins-and-outs of rehearsing via Zoom. We know it won’t be the same not having an in-person audience this year, but we’re attempting to see if we can pull off a show that can be streamed online. Exact performance dates are still TBD, but tentatively set to begin October 30<sup>th</sup>.

### MAD’s “Steel Magnolias” Wins Ruby Griffith Award

Congratulations to the cast, staff, and crew of MAD’s winter 2020 production of “Steel Magnolias” for winning “Second Runner Up Play” at the Ruby Griffith Awards last weekend! It’s great we were able to do before the pandemic this year one live in-person show, which TheatreBloom described as “funny, sweet, moving, and at times, devastating.” The Greenbelt News Review stated, “each actor not only portrayed their own character in a light that Robert Harling would have been proud of, but every woman supported the other, helping their cast members shine even brighter.” MAD’s last pre-pandemic theatrical production was well-deserving of the acclaim it received, and we look forward to taking the stage again sometime in the future.

### MAD’s 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Zoom Bash

Since we can’t get together in person this fall to celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, MAD is sponsoring a Zoom event to take place October 17, 2020. We’ll host an online call as an open house/happy hour where folks can dial in and talk, laugh, share memories, share videos and photos, and even sing a short song or recite a short monologue. If you’d like to help with the planning, or have an idea of how to structure the event, please send an e-mail to our point-of-contact Jack Scheer at [t.earlgray@gmail.com](mailto:t.earlgray@gmail.com).

## **MAD Board Meeting**

The next MAD Board meeting will be held on Thursday, October 8th, at 5:30 PM. All club members are welcome to join. For information on how to join virtually, please email [madboard@googlegroups.com](mailto:madboard@googlegroups.com). We plan to hold our Board meetings in 2020 regularly on the second Thursday of the month.

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