

Tumbledown Town

From the convoluted mind of multi award-winning songwriter Dan Hazlett comes a musical play entitled Tumbledown Town. Presented in a concert format, much in the way radio plays of the past were performed, it is a small town love story full of intrigue and innuendo, humor, corporate espionage, tragedy and murder most foul. It's an opera, it's folk songs, it's folksy opera, it's folkra. With the cast of four players taking on a total of ten roles, the play focuses on the zany and intriguing events in the lives of the denizens of the small Mid-Western town of Tumbledown. Because of it's family friendly nature and stripped down presentation using no sets and limited props, Tumbledown Town can be performed in a variety of concert settings from any Traditional Music Venue to Libraries, Schools, Civic Centers or Community and Dinner Theater.

The Players

Dan Hazlett: During a career spanning more than thirty years, Dan has been actively touring the Midwest. His CD, "Family Album" has received strong airplay throughout the US, Germany, Italy, Spain, Ireland and Canada. Dan has been nominated for several Detroit Music Awards. He was named a finalist in both The KRCL Performing Songwriter Showcase in Park City Utah and the Big Top Chatauqua Songwriting Contest and was awarded both 2nd and 3rd place and an honorable mention in the Great Lakes Songwriting Contest and an honorable mention in The Billboard Songwriting Competition. He has been a guest on Nationally syndicated radio shows Albom In The Afternoon (Mitch Albom) and River City Folk (Tom May) and one of Dan's songs was featured on the Nationally syndicated radio program "Car Talk. Dan has opened for many established performers like Valdy, David Roth, Cliff Eberhardt and Jack Williams and for seven years hosted his own folk radio show "Local Folks" on WXOU-FM at Oakland University.

A prolific songwriter, Dan Hazlett has recently released his seventh full length CD, "Just a Guitar" while doubling as a producer, engineer and session musician for many local artists.

Bob Marshall:

Years ago Bob Marshall turned down an opportunity to join the ranks of the internationally known folk group, "The New Christy Minstrels". However, his decision didn't take him away from the music that he loves to perform. Bob has literally performed his music from one side of the country to the other. From the Chesapeake Bay area to the Pacific Ocean beaches of California, Bob has been entertaining audiences for a span of over thirty years. But, beyond this American coast to coast musical adventure, Bob's music has also received international air time in Australia, South America, Japan and the European continent.

Bob has just released his newest CD, "As Good As My Dog Thinks I Am". Also, nearing completion is a children's book, "The Winning of the Race". Written and illustrated by Michelle Young it is based upon Bob's song of the same name. The book will be a multimedia presentation and will include a CD of Bob's song.

Maggie Ferguson and Denise Marie Stein:

Maggie Ferguson, one of the creators of Live! From the Living Room Acoustic Showcase also has her own radio show The Old Front Porch Radio Show broadcast on WXOU in Auburn Hills Mi. A veteran of many little theatre productions during the 70's and 80's, Maggie currently performs with Denise Marie Stein as FoxFire Harmony Duo, and is part of Floyd King and the Bushwackers and The Valkyries.

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"I enjoyed the show... a lot! Your hearts were out there, you sounded and looked great. I especially enjoyed your Musical. I love a good story with strongly defined characters. Don't ever doubt your ability to fill a stage and grab the audience. Thanks for enriching my life..."
-Tom Mansell, -Singer/Songwriter



"I am totally intrigued by Tumble Down Town... the music... the lyrics and the vibe are upbeat, catchy, relevant and just plain feels good in these times!"
-Susan Shelley-Audience Member