

A Christmas Carol

Became as good a friend, as good a master, and as good a man as the old city knew. Some people laughed to see the alteration in him, but he let them laugh, and paid them little heed. For he was wise enough to know that nothing ever happened good on this globe at which a do not have their fill of laughter outset. His own heart laughed was quite enough for him.

The End.
Charles Dickens

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CREATIVE ARTS COMPLEX

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DIRECTORS

MARTY MORRIS
ELIZABETH CARTER

THE TIME IS CHRISTMAS EVE, 1843.

THE PLACE IS THE ATTIC OF THE HOME OF CHARLES DICKENS IN LONDON.

CAST
(IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

E.O. HAWKINS

CHARLES DICKENS - DYNAMIC WRITER OF *A Christmas Carol*
("SCROOGE")

JULIE McVEY

THE CHILD - FIGMENT OF DICKEN'S IMAGINATION

BOB FRITZIUS

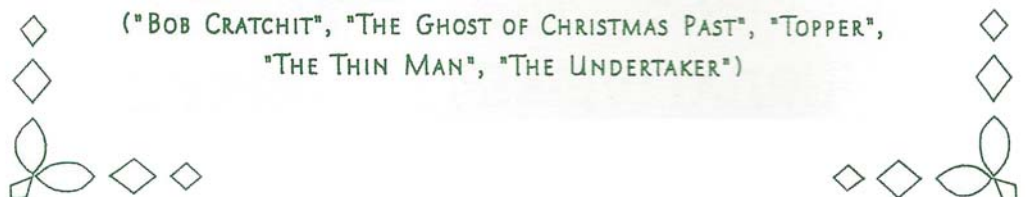
MARK LEMON - EDITOR OF PUNCH MAGAZINE
("FIRST PORTLY GENTLEMAN", "FEZZIWIG", "FAT MAN",
"MAN ON THE BED")

CURT ULMER

FREDERICK DICKENS - CHARLES' YOUNGER BROTHER,
("FRED", "YOUNG SCROOGE", "PETER CRATCHIT", "GHOST
OF CHRISTMAS YET TO COME" (1), "OLD JOE")

JIMMY RICHARDSON

CLARKSON STANFIELD - PAINTER, FRIEND OF DICKENS
("BOB CRATCHIT", "THE GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST", "TOPPER",
"THE THIN MAN", "THE UNDERTAKER")





ABOUT THE CAST



Debbie Dunaway. This is Debbie's second SCT performance since moving to Starkville in August. Previous stage experiences include "Bonnie" in *Anything Goes* and *Thurber Carnival*. Debbie is currently enjoying time off from her career to spend at home with her daughter, Meghan.



Bob Fritzius. Bob is a research assistant in the MSU Entomology Department. This is his fifth SCT production. He has lived in Starkville for twelve years and enjoys physics, computers, and traveling.

Madeline Golden. Madeline has been a secretary with the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service for eleven years. Because SCT is her one and only hobby, she has been in many plays. She is celebrating ten wonderful years with Baby Kitten, her faithful companion.

E. O. Hawkins. E. O. is a professor of English at MSU. He has directed *How the Other Half Loves*, *Witness for the Prosecution*, *Same Time Next Year*, *Last of the Red Hot Lovers*, and *Talking With...* . He has played in *Man Who Came to Dinner*, *Barefoot in the Park*, *Philadelphia Story*, *Tintypes*, *Harvey*, *I Remember Mama*, and *The Nerd*.

Haley Hawkins. A *Christmas Carol* is Haley's third SCT production. She played "Beth" in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and was in the choir the following year. She has been in several church and school plays and has worked backstage for other SCT productions. She attends Armstrong Junior High and plays the piano.





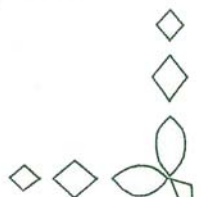

Julie McVey. Last winter Julie was in her first SCT production. She was "Glady Herman" in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. She attends Calvary Baptist Church where she takes part in the choir. She takes piano and organ lessons and is a fifth grader at Rosa Stewart School. She has played many roles in school plays.

Tom Price. This is Tom's third SCT production. He was "Charley" in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and "Whitney" in *Life With Father*. He attends fifth grade at Rosa Stewart School. He has also been in several school plays.

Jimmy Richardson. Jimmy has been involved with SCT since 1987. His first role was "Joe" in *God's Favorite*. The next year he was the father in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Jimmy and his wife Robbie have two children, Adelli and Ryan. He is a native of Yazoo City, but calls Starkville home. He works for the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service at MSU.

Curt Ulmer. Curt is a sophomore at Starkville High School. This is his second appearance for SCT. He was "Tom Sawyer" in *Tom Sawyer*. He has also been in many school plays.

Sterling Wright. Sterling is a production assistant for the *Starkville Daily News*. This is his debut with SCT. He has had many roles in Tupelo Community Theatre productions including the "Cowardly Lion" in *The Wizard of Oz*.



HALEY HAWKINS
HELEN HOGARTH - NIECE OF DICKENS
("A CAROLLER", "FAN", "A LITTLE FEZZIWIG", "BELINDA
CRATCHIT")

TOM PRICE
CHARLEY DICKENS - SON OF CHARLES DICKENS
("A CAROLLER", "YOUNG EBENEZER", "A LITTLE FEZZIWIG",
"THE BOY", "TINY TIM")

DEBBIE DUNAWAY
MRS. STANFIELD - WIFE OF STANFIELD
("BELLE", "MARTHA CRATCHIT", "MRS. FRED'S SISTER",
"THE CHARWOMAN")

MADELINE GOLDEN
CATHERINE DICKENS - WIFE OF CHARLES DICKENS
(MRS. FIZZIWIIG, "MRS. CRATCHIT", "MRS. FRED", "MRS. DILBER")

STERLING WRIGHT
JOHN FORSTER - DICKENS' CLOSEST FRIEND
("SECOND PORTLY GENTLEMAN", "GHOST OF JACOB MARLEY", "DICK
WILKINS", "MAN WITH THE HANDKERCHIEF", "GHOST OF CHRISTMAS
YET TO COME"(2)*)

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STAGE MANAGER
SET CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN
PROPS

LISA HAMILTON
BOB ANDERSON
SANDRA HODGES
PATRICIA MCCARTHY
JEAN SCHNYDER
KATHERINE STOOKSBURY

MAKE-UP

TERRY McDOWELL
MARIANNE ULMER
WENDY WITTINGTON

VIOLIN MUSIC
LIGHTING
SOUND

SHANDY PHILLIPS
TOMMY STARKEY

OPENING NIGHT
ART WORK
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