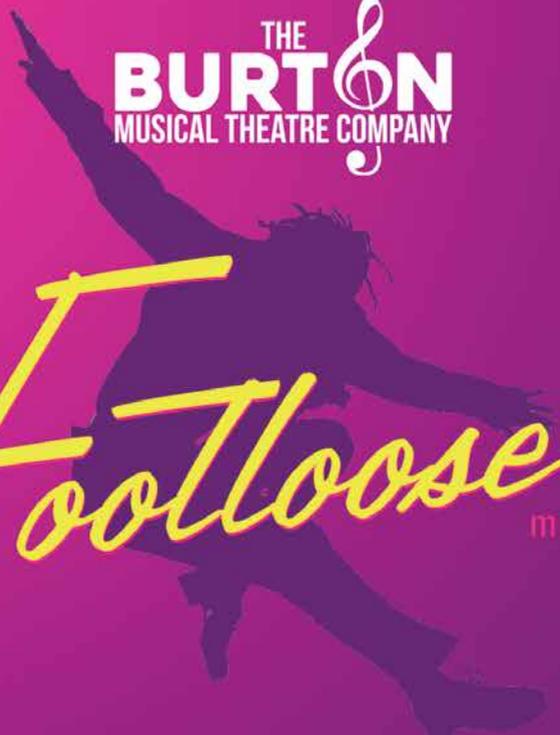


THE
BURTON
MUSICAL THEATRE COMPANY



Footloose the
musical

Stage Adaptation by
DEAN PITCHFORD and WALTER BOBBIE
Music by TOM SNOW Lyrics by DEAN PITCHFORD

SOUVENIR PROGRAMME
21ST to 25TH February 2023

de Ferrers Academy, Harehedge Lane, Burton upon Trent DE13 0AS

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Hello from the Director!

Footloose is my 5th show to direct for Burton Musical Theatre Company and it has been fun from start to finish! The show provides vibrancy, humour, great music and an opportunity for many of our talented Company to play roles big and small. It has been a pleasure to direct some new faces (and old) and see younger members of the Company take on their first main roles and boy, are they doing a good job! It is a show that requires a lot of dancing and our choreographers have done a sterling job whipping the cast into shape, along with some super harmonies ably taught by David Blackwell, our Musical Director. The show rehearsal process has been full on, so to get this production from book to stage in a short amount of time, and I could not be prouder of the talent and hard work every individual has given. Burton Musical Theatre Company is a very special Company to be part of, not just because of the talent on and off stage in all the teams, but also the friendship, laughter and support it brings. We truly are like one big family! So, sit back, relax and enjoy this feel-good show.

Introducing our lead characters



Bethan – Ariel

FAVOURITE MUSICAL: Legally Blonde

DREAM ROLE: Absolutely Elle Woods!! Or Sophie from Mamma Mia

FAVOURITE SONG FROM A MUSICAL: So many to choose from!
I love 'Wait a Bit' from Just So, 'Dyin' Ain't So Bad' from Bonnie and Clyde
and 'Omigod You Guys' from Legally Blonde

FAVOURITE SHOW WITH BMTC: Shrek

I am a Primary School Teacher, currently teaching Year 3 and this is my second show with BMTC. I have been performing since the age of 5 and joined BMTC when I moved to the area. Being on the stage is my ultimate happy place, so being the lead role in Footloose is a goal achieved for me! My favourite thing about Footloose is all the fab dances! I love high energy dances and I love the energy our cast has towards them too. I feel privileged to be doing this show with such a wonderful, talented cast!



Zak – Ren

FAVOURITE MUSICAL: Anything Goes

DREAM ROLE: Aside from this? Frank Abagnale Jr. in "Catch Me if You Can"

FAVOURITE SONG FROM A MUSICAL: "When you're an Addams" from
"The Addams Family Musical"

FAVOURITE SHOW WITH BMTC: Shrek

I moved to Burton 4 years ago and now work as a Value Stream Leader in the aerospace industry. Being new to the area I joined BMTC to meet new people who share my passion for Musical Theatre and what I found was a fantastic group of friends for life, who instantly made me feel welcome and included. My favourite thing about Footloose has to be the high energy dances and songs, there is never a dull moment! This is my fifth show with BMTC and to have my first leading role with this Company has been a phenomenal experience. I'm so excited to be working with such a talented and enthusiastic cast and production team.

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PRODUCTION TEAM



Director
Karen Hambleton



Assistant Director
Andy Hambleton



Choreographer
Dannie Berriman



Choreographer
Helena Stone



Musical Director
David Blackwell



Accompanist
Karen Thompson

Technical Manager/ Lighting Designer - **Andy Hambleton and James Ogden**

Stage Manager - **Derval Lester**

Sound Designer - **Andy Onion**

Costumes - **Mike Mear**

SYNOPSIS

Footloose is the story of Ren McCormack, a teenage boy from Chicago. He and his mother move to the small town of Bomont after his father abandons them. Upon arriving, Ren finds himself at odds with most of the town, including the Reverend Shaw Moore. The Reverend has convinced the town to outlaw dancing, which Ren finds unbelievable. With the help of Ariel (the Reverend's daughter) and Willard (a country hick who becomes his best friend), Ren convinces the Reverend to let the teenagers dance, and in the process, helps the town to heal from a tragedy that affected them all.

IN REHEARSALS





Footloose

the musical

PRINCIPAL CAST



ARIEL MOORE
Bethan Glover



REN MCCORMACK
Zachary Lewis



REV. SHAW MOORE
Lee Smith



VI MOORE
Vix Quigley



RUSTY
Jessica Roome



WILLARD HEWITT
Brad Hambleton



URLEEN
Helena Stone



WENDY JO
Dannie Berriman



CHUCK CRANSTON
Oly Wright



ETHEL MCCORMACK
Lauren Brown



COWBOY BOB/BICKLE/TRAVIS
Jonny Stewart



LYLE/JETER
Ben Lacey



GARVIN
Simone Rizzi



**(L-R) Principal Harry Clark: Iain Wishlaide: Eleanor Dunbar: Rachel Cook
Betty Blast: Aimee Davidson Lulu Warnicker: Sam Walker
Wes Warnicker: Mark Hargreaves Coach Roger Dunbar: Steve Foster**



**Parishioners (L-R):
Iain Wishlaide, Rachel Cook, Aimee Davidson, Cat Palfreyman, Sam Walker,
Grant Fern, Mark Hargreaves, Sarah Morgan, Lauren Brown, Vix Quigley**



Kids (L-R):

**Rachel Edwards, Emma Jones, Cat Palfreyman, Amy Evans, Daisy Feeney,
Sarah Morgan, Ben Lacey, Jonny Stewart, Simone Rizzi**



The Company

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT ONE

Footloose/ On Any Sunday
The Girl Gets Around
I Can't Stand Still
Somebody's Eyes
Learning to be Silent
Holding Out For A Hero
Heaven Help Me
I'm Free/Heaven Help Me

ACT TWO

Still Rockin'
Let's hear it for the Boy
Can You Find It In Your Heart
Mama Says (You Can't Back Down)
Almost Paradise
Ariel comforts Shaw
Heaven Help Me (Reprise)
Can You Find It In Your Heart (Reprise)
Footloose (Finale)
Megamix

ORCHESTRA

Richard Hair - Bass

Jonathan Hood - Guitar

Catherine Matthews - Keyboard

Dave Shipley - Drums

Nick Stacey - Clarinet, Flute, Piccolo, Alto Saxophone

Karen Thompson - Keyboard

HONORARY OFFICIALS

President of the Company	Richard Dean
Honorary Vice Presidents	Terry Hickman, David Platt, Alan Swift, John Rutland, Keith Dadley
Honorary Life Members	Joy Appleby, Vic Benson, Keith Dadley, Richard Dean, Louise Evanson, Stella Hambleton, Joycelyn Hickman, Robert Hughes, Jean Rogers, John Rutland, Annette Smith, Alan Swift, Karen Thompson, Mike Thompson
Honorary Members	David Blackwell, Andy Onion
Chair	Angela Wynne
Vice Chair	Karen Hambleton
Treasurer	Andy Hambleton
Secretary	Annette Smith
House Manager	Mark Jones
Assistant House Manager	Stella Hambleton
IT & Social Media Manager	Mark Hargreaves
Stage Crew (Construction, Painting, Crewing)	Hazel Andrews, Pat Coppinger, Derval Lester, Mel Stevenson, Emily Pallett, Gary Dennis, Bob Hughes, Richard Greaves, Virna Harlow, Katie Lester, Helen Cooke
Props Team	Oly Wright, Sam Walker
Lighting Team (Design, Rigging, Operating)	Andy Hambleton, James Ogden, Keith Dadley, Karen Hambleton, Oly Wright, Sam Walker
Programme and Programme Photography	Lauren Brown
Front of House Staff	Family, Friends and Members of Burton Musical Theatre Company. Thank you.

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