



AURORA COMMUNITY THEATRE

As part of Aurora Community Theatre's 50th Anniversary celebration, we invite you to help support our next half century by purchasing a brick-sized commemorative plaque.

All proceeds will be earmarked for capital improvements including upgrades in lighting and sound systems, heating, cooling, seating and more to insure that ACT remains a vital part of the Aurora community for another 50 years.

Each plaque will cover a brick in the theatre's lobby which means you will help us brighten the main entrance as you display your support for many years to come.

In addition to your own brick-plaque, we invite you to consider purchasing one as a gift to honor family members, special friends, graduates, businesses or organizations, favorite ACT actors, directors, board members, back stage volunteers and friends of the theatre.

Other suggestions include highlighting a favorite play or role, a catchy phrase or saying with a special meaning (*subject, of course, to good taste and approval*). ACT brick-plaques make the perfect gift for the hard-to-shop-for theatre lover in your life!

ANY NAME

\$50

ANY NAME
Second line

\$65

ANY NAME
Second Line
Third Line

\$80



History

Aurora Community Theatre was founded in 1959 by a small group of friends who envisioned a cultural exchange with the Aurora community and an opportunity for individuals to experience the joy of live theatre.

Elizabeth "Betts" and Jack Colebrook led this small group. Their first ACT production was *The Tender Trap* presented in the Spring of 1960. ACT was without a permanent home and presented plays at The Church In Aurora and the Aurora High School.

Thanks in great part to suggestions from their good friends, the Colebrooks, in 1971 **George and Ann Chapman** (who built the Aurora Memorial Library Building) donated funds to construct The Aurora Performing Arts Center adjacent to the Library. In the 1971-72 season, ACT's first performance in their new permanent home was **Ten Nights in a Bar Room**.



Elizabeth "Betts" and Jack Colebrook

From a single annual production, ACT has grown to offer three regular-season shows, a bonus play, a free holiday show, summer stock featuring young performers plus two children's summer workshops. Over 150,000 have attended ACT's 157 plays including classic drama, comedy, musicals and original revues.

ACT is governed by a constitution and directed by a Board of Trustees consisting of twelve members elected by the general membership. The theatre operates under the aegis of the Aurora Memorial Library Trust, a non-profit organization. The City of Aurora is responsible for the exterior of the building and its grounds. ACT is responsible for all maintenance, improvements and other expenses to the interior of the theatre.

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