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You're A Good Man, CHARLIE BROWN!

BASED ON THE COMIC
STRIP "PEANUTS" BY
CHARLES M. SCHULZ

BOOK, MUSIC, AND LYRICS
BY CLARK GESNER

February 28 - March 15, 2025

THE CHATHAM PLAYHOUSE
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SPECIAL EVENTS!

SUNDAYS@7

Play Readings & refreshments!
Watch for announcements

ONE WEEKEND ONLY

Our black box series, a two-show slate of productions,
staged for just one weekend each,
to complement our mainstage season



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THE CHATHAM COMMUNITY PLAYERS

Proudly Presents

YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN

Based on the Comic Strip "Peanuts" by Charles M. Schulz
Book, Music and Lyrics by Clark Gesner

Lighting Design

Ed Whitman

Roy Pancirov

Props and

Set Decoration

Carol Petersen Saso

Costume Design

Hailey Haywood

Scenic Design

Joëlle Bochner

Set Design

John A.C. Kennedy

Sound Design

Joe DeVico

Production Coordinators

Sharon Cullen Garry and Tom MacDonald

Stage Manager

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Producer

Jessica Phelan

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Eric Van Hoven

Director

Matt Muccigrossi

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Originally Produced in New York by Arthur Whitelaw and Gene Persson

Originally Directed in New York by Joseph Hardy

February 28, March 1, 7, 8, 14 and 15, 8 p.m.

March 2 and 9, 3 p.m.

THE CHATHAM PLAYHOUSE

23 North Passaic, Chatham, New Jersey

SONGS

You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown	Lucy, Patty, Linus, Schroeder, Snoopy
Schroeder	Lucy
Snoopy	Snoopy
My Blanket and Me	Linus
The Kite	Charlie Brown
The Doctor Is In	Lucy and Charlie Brown
The Book Report	Lucy, Linus, Schroeder, Charlie Brown
The Red Baron	Snoopy
The Baseball Game	Company
Glee Club Rehearsal	Company
Little Known Facts	Lucy
Suppertime	Snoopy
Happiness	Company

YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN
will be performed without an intermission.

OUR NEXT MAINSTAGE PRODUCTION COMING SOON!



CAST AND CREW

Cast Members

Charlie Brown	EVAN PLAZA
Linus	PATRICK CONNOLLY-BLOOD
Schroeder	PATRICK NAPURANO
Lucy	ELLE MICHAELI
Patty	RACHEL GESNER
Snoopy	ALORA EISEN

Production / Creative Team

Producer	JESSICA PHELAN
Director	MATT MUCCIGROSSI
Musical Director	ERIC VAN HOVEN
Production Coordinator	SHARON CULLEN GARRY
Production Coordinator	TOM MacDONALD
Stage Manager	GENEVIÈVE ANDERSON
Set Design	JOHN A.C. KENNEDY
Lighting Design	ED WHITMAN
Lighting Design	ROY PANCIROV
Sound Design	JOE DeVICO
Props and Set Decoration	CAROL PETERSEN SASO
Costume Design	HAILEY HAYWOOD
Scenic Design	JOËLLE BOCHNER

MUSICIANS

ERIC VAN HOVEN, Keyboard
ALEX DUQUE, Bass VINCENT ROBLES, Drums

And here's everyone else who helped!!!!!!

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WHO'S WHO



EVAN PLAZA

as Charlie Brown

Evan is thrilled to be making his Chatham Players Debut! Outside of being a blockhead, Evan has been seen several times on the Plays-in-the-Park stage! Much love to his family and friends for the support, along with the Peanuts Gang and crew for this lovely show. Proud Muhlenberg Alum, current MBA candidate. Hi Matt!



PATRICK CONNOLLY-BLOOD

as Linus

Patrick is excited to appear in his first Chatham Community Players show. His previous credits include *Be More Chill* (Jeremy BACCP), *Head Over Heels* (Musidorus BACCP), *Spamalot* (Ensemble Villagers Theater), and *Beauty and the Beast* (Lefou 99 Cent Players). He would like to thank Matt, Eric, Geneviève, and the rest of the production team for all of their hard work.



ALORA EISEN

as Snoopy

Alora is excited to be in her first CCP production! She was last seen in CDC's *Beauty and the Beast* (Wardrobe). Off-Broadway: *Theatre Smash* (York Theatre Company), *Hamlet* (NY Live Arts). Regional: *Joseph and Dreamcoat* (Sharon Playhouse), *What I Want You to Know* (Firehouse Theater), and *Boys from Syracuse* (NDI Theater). Proud theater teacher at JCC of Central NJ and Center Stage Dance and Theater School.



ELLE MICHAELI

as Lucy

Select credits: *Guys and Dolls* (Miss Adelaide - Perry nom.) MVP; *Fiddler on the Roof* (Fruma Sarah/Golde) PIP and Trilogy Rep; *A Chorus Line* (Bebe) CDC; *25th Annual Spelling Bee* (Marcy) The Barn Theatre; *Disenchanted* (Belle/Badroulbador) Chester Theatre Group; *The Music Man* (Eulalie) Summit Playhouse. Frequent performer - NY/NJ cabaret circuit. NYU TSOA. Elle thanks Matt/Team for casting her and supporting her dream to keep aging backwards.

WHO'S WHO



RACHEL GESNER

as Patty

Rachel is thrilled to return to CCP in her third production. She recently earned a B.A. in Theatre from Muhlenberg College. Past favorite credits include *Play On* (Smitty) at CCP (Perry award nominee), *Spelling Bee* (Marcy Park) at Summit Playhouse, and *RENT* (Alexi Darling) at Millburn High School. Rachel is also a singer/songwriter and certified makeup artist. She thanks her mom, dad, sister and the cast and crew!



PATRICK NAPURANO

as Schroeder

Patrick is thrilled to make his CCP debut! Favorite past shows include *American Idiot* (Tunny), *Tommy* (Cousin Kevin), and *Rock of Ages* (Lonny). He is grateful for the opportunity to bring his passion for storytelling and high-energy performances to the stage and extends heartfelt thanks to the incredible cast, crew, and his supportive friends, family, wife and dog. Patrick is eager to share this exciting production with the audience!



JESSICA PHELAN

Producer

Jess is best known to CCP audiences as the face of *Jersey Voices*, which she has produced since 2018. She also produced last season's *The Beauty Queen of Leenane*. Previous CCP onstage credits include *World Builders* (Whitney), *Grand Horizons* (Jess), *Play On!* (Aggie) and *Barnum* (Ensemble).



MATT MUCCIGROSSI

Director

Matt is thrilled to be making his directorial debut at CCP. Credits include *The Marvelous (& Winter) Wonderettes*, *The SpongeBob Musical*, *Into the Woods*, *The Wild Party*, *Hairspray*, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, *Titanic*, *The Graduate*, *The Addams Family* & *My Fair Lady*, among many others.

WHO'S WHO



ERIC VAN HOVEN

Musical Director

Eric is a public school music teacher and private piano/vocal instructor based in Morris and Bergen Counties. A frequent accompanist for various choirs and cabaret nights across northern New Jersey, he is thrilled to be music directing *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* and is grateful to the cast, crew, and family for their support!



GENEVIÈVE ANDERSON

Stage Manager

Genevieve's SM credits include *Sideways, The Flick, Tuck Everlasting, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Godspell, and The Crucible* at CCP, and *Hair (ASM), La Cage aux Folles, and Dames at Sea (4th Wall)*. Active at CCP since childhood, she is currently serving as Vice President on the Board of Trustees.



JOHN A.C. KENNEDY

Set Design

John recently designed the set at the Summit Playhouse production of *The Music Man*, and would like to say that there is no team like the best team, which is our team, right here. At CCP, he has directed *World Builders, Clybourne Park, Christmas Cards 2013, Play On!* and several *Jersey Voices*. He has appeared on our stage in *Taming of the Shrew, Christmas Cards, and Bell, Book & Candle*. CBA.



JOËLLE BOCHNER

Scenic Design

Joëlle has been with CCP for 25 years, where she has propped, acted, painted, sung, ASM-ed, Trusteed, woodworked, danced, produced, stage managed and Presidented. She and our members welcome you to our home. Come volunteer with us – we would love to have you as part of our family!



ED WHITMAN

Lighting Design

Ed has designed the lighting for *Fat Pig, Mary's Wedding, Gruesome Playground Injuries, Play On, A Christmas Carol, Jersey Voices, and Sundays@7* at CCP. He has designed lighting at Cranford Dramatic Club and other theaters as well as working with the Light Opera of NJ. Ed is involved with set construction at CCP as well as other community theaters in the area.

WHO'S WHO



CAROL PETERSEN SASO

*Props and Set
Decoration*

Carol was onstage, many years ago, in *Hello, Dolly*, *Annie*, *Get Your Gun* and *The Elves and The Shoemaker*. Over many years at CCP, she has helped with makeup, costumes, props, construction, front of house, crew, and has been production coordinator, paint chair, and treasurer. Carol is also volunteer coordinator, runs our loan and rental program, and is a Trustee.

HAILEY HAYWOOD

Costume Design

Hailey is pleased to be part of the production team. She studied costume design at Marymount Manhattan College and now uses her passion for fashion to work on women's fashion, her own creations, and theater. Credits include Costumes for *Is He Dead*, *The Music Man*, and *The Crucible* (Summit Playhouse). She loves her three cats, ice water, TikTok, and travel.

TAPE
BY STEPHEN BELBER
DIRECTED BY MICHAEL SASSO
June 6, 7, and 8, 2025

An evening of short plays by New Jersey playwrights
JULY 25TH – AUGUST 3RD, 2025
JerseyVoices

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