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The stage is set, the lights are dimmed, and the excitement is palpable as Stratford Playhouse presents its upcoming production of the timeless classic, **42nd Street** — coming to you **January 26-28 and February 1-3.** Based on the bestselling novel written by Bradford Ropes, the stage sensation is full of heart, soul, and comedy. From the show-stopping tap sequences to the iconic 1930s composition, this musical extravaganza promises to whisk audiences away to the glitz and glamour of Golden Age Broadway. Originally composed by the famed Harry Warren and choreographed and directed by the award-winning Gower Champion, **42nd Street** is equally relevant to those who remember its initial production and newcomers. Set against the backdrop of the Great Depression, aspiring chorus girl Peggy Sawyer takes us along on her journey to stardom. As she tap-dances her way through the challenges of showbiz, she catches the attention of Billy Lawlor, the charming male lead, Dorothy Brock, the seasoned and proud leading lady, and even Julian Marsh, the authoritative, no-nonsense director of Pretty Lady. As the characters come to life under skillful direction by **Cece Prudhomme**, audiences can anticipate a delightful blend of feelings that will resonate with the timeless themes of ambition, love, and the pursuit of dreams. With every twirl, tap, and line delivered, the cast of **42nd Street** at **Stratford High Scho**ol is set to create an immersive and unforgettable theatrical experience for all who attend.

Tickets for **42**^{*nd*} **Street** are \$10-25 and available for purchase online at **www.stratfordplayhouse.com**. Performances are scheduled **for January 26, 26, 28, February 1, 2, and 3 at 7:30pm**, with matinee performances at 2:30 p.m. on **January 28 and February 2nd** at **the Stratford Auditorium, 14555 Fern Drive**. For more information or to buy tickets, go online or email **stratfordboxoffice@gmail.com**.





Photo 1: Abbigayle Scott ("Peggy Sawyer") and Will Meadows ("Julian Marsh")

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Photo 2: (Back Row, L to R) Owen Sullivan ("Bert Barry"), Will Meadows ("Julian Marsh"), Michael Deis ("Billy Lawlor"), Andrew Dybala ("Andy Lee")
(Front Row, Sitting, L to R) Angelica Salva ("Maggie Jones"), Abbigayle Scott ("Peggy Sawyer"), Kira Sledge ("Dorothy Brock"), Emma Taylor ("Anne Reilly")

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Photo 3 : (L to R) Andrew Dybala ("Andy Lee"), Emma Taylor ("Anne Reilly") Abbigayle Scott ("Peggy Sawyer"), Will Meadows ("Julian Marsh")

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