

## Massasoit Community College & The Massasoit Theatre Company/ The Community Theatre at The Buckley Performing Arts Center announces The Wizard of Oz in Celebration of the film's 75th Anniversary.

The College is pleased to partner with the Mary E. Baker School of Brockton for a student showcase in this special theater presentation.

**March 12, 2014**

The **Wizard of Oz** will be Directed and Choreographed by Corinne Mason with Musical Direction by Janice Issa-Wright. Friday and Saturday evening performances May 2, 3, 9 & 10 at 8:00 pm & Sunday matinee performances May 4 & 11 at 3:00 pm. For tickets call 508-427-1234 Or order on-line at [www.massasoit.mass.edu](http://www.massasoit.mass.edu) \$18 General Admission, \$16 Seniors/Students, \$14 Per Person for Groups of 10 or more.

Available for interview:

Director/Choreographer-Corinne Mason

Baker School Choral Director-Jennifer Sterling

### Community Collaboration

The Massasoit Theatre Co. is happy to collaborate with the Mary Baker Elementary School for this production of The Wizard of Oz. The collaboration involves the Fourth and Fifth grade choirs playing the Munchkins in the Munchkin land scene. Ms. Jen Sterling is not only a veteran of the Massasoit stage but she is also the Mary Baker School music teacher and choir conductor. Ms. Sterling has worked closely with the director/choreographer, Ms. Corinne Mason in order to prepare the students for the show. The intention of the collaboration is to expose the students to a full scale theatrical event and invite them to experience the magic of live theatre.

### Bios

Director/Choreographer - **Corinne Mason** is a teaching artist, director, choreographer, and actor who received her MA. Ed. in Theatre Education from Emerson College. She began training in dance and performing arts at a young age in the Boston Area, and continued to study in New York City, where she obtained a B.F.A. in Musical Theatre from The American Musical and Dramatic Academy, in conjunction with The New School University. Since returning to Boston, she is committed to directing and teaching performing arts throughout Massachusetts, with organizations such as The Company Theatre, Lyric First Stage program, Wellesley College, Stonehill College, Massasoit Community College, MMAS, and Deborah Mason School of Dance. Corinne has choreographed several shows including her favorites, Spring Awakening (Company Theatre), Lucky Stiff (Lyric First Stage), Das Barbecu (Stonehill College), A Chorus Line (MMAS), and Cabaret (MMAS). Recent directing credits include: The Mystery of Irma Vep (MMAS), The Hiding Place (Company Theatre), and she Assistant Directed Twelfth Night (Lyric First Stage). Corinne is proud to be directing her first show at the Buckley Performing Arts Center.

Mary E. Baker School Choral Director - **Jennifer Sterling** is the Choral Director and General Music Teacher at the Mary E. Baker School in Brockton, Massachusetts. She has been teaching in the city for 7 years. During this time, Ms. Sterling and the Mary E. Baker School Chorus have done many performances in the community including a family concert with the Brockton Symphony Orchestra, as well as performing at the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration at Massasoit Community College. Jennifer studied Vocal Music Education and Classical Voice Performance at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, and graduated in 2006 with a degree in Music Education. She has been performing for over 20 years, and has done various shows with area community theaters. Some of her favorite roles have been Ado Annie in Oklahoma, Maria Von Trapp in The Sound of Music, Melpomene in Xanadu, and Gertrude McFuzz in Seussical. Ms. Sterling and her students are very excited to be collaborating with the Massasoit Theater Company for this wonderful production of The Wizard of Oz.

For more information visit [www.massasoit.mass.edu/buckley/shows.cfm](http://www.massasoit.mass.edu/buckley/shows.cfm).

For ticket email us at [mcboxoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mcboxoffice@gmail.com) or call (508) 427-1234.

Box Office Hours- Tues-Fri 10 am-2 pm

For more information contact Theater Director Mark Rocheteau at [MRocheteau@massasoit.mass.edu](mailto:MRocheteau@massasoit.mass.edu)

The Wizard of Oz is presented through special arrangements with Tams-Whitmark Music Library, Inc.

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