

*Presents*



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Sheldon Harnick

Directed by Marion Brenner

Stage Manager Sara Hamad

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Lighting Design James Odenbach and Kira Franchuk

Graphic Design Karanveer Sedha

June 13 7:00 pm

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Gateway Theatre  
8529 Gateway Boulevard NW

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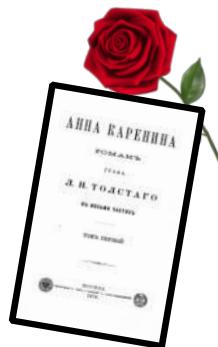
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We acknowledge that we walk, wander, shop, sing, pray, love, worship, and present theatre on land that is Region 4 of the Métis Nation of Alberta and the Métis Homeland. We acknowledge that we are part of Treaty 6 and we name with respect our neighbours who are Nêhiyaw (Cree)

Dené

Anishinaabe

Saulteaux

Nakota Isga

Nakota Sioux

and Niitsitapi / (Blackfoot Peoples).

We also call to mind the observation that Edmonton is home to one of the largest communities of Inuit south of the 60th parallel.

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# Synopsis

*In this scented case of mistaken identity and letter writing, two feuding perfume clerks have no idea that they are in love.*

An intimate and touching show, featuring music by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick (*Fiddler on the Roof*) and book by Joe Masteroff (*Cabaret*), *She Loves Me* was nominated for five Tony Awards in 1964, while the 2016 Broadway Revival snagged the Tony Award for Best Scenic Design. Considered by many to be the most charming musical ever written, *She Loves Me* is a warm romantic comedy with an endearing innocence and a touch of old-world elegance. The Mikos Lazlos play Parfumerie, on which it is based, has inspired many adaptations, including the beloved film *You've Got Mail* starring Meg Ryan and Tom Hanks.

Set in a 1930s European perfumery, we meet shop clerks, Amalia and Georg, who, more often than not, don't see eye to eye. After both respond to a "lonely hearts advertisement" in the newspaper, they now live for the love letters that they exchange, but the identity of their admirers remains unknown. Join Amalia and Georg to discover the identity of their true loves... and all the twists and turns along the way!

*She Loves Me* showcases a small but strong ensemble cast playing a range of memorable characters of all ages – each with their moment to shine. As the New York Times wrote, "This musical is remarkably generous to all its performers: a half-dozen supporting characters are given show stoppers, too." This heart-warming story will be adored by the entire audience.

# Cast of Characters

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| ARPAY LASZLO   | SOPHIA ROBERTSON   |
| LADISLAV SIPOS | JOAN JAMES   |
| ILONA RITTER   | JULIANE BODINI   |
| STEVEN KODALY  | ALBERT WONG  |
| GEORG NOWACK   | ADRIANA ATANASKOVIC  |
| MR. MARACZEK   | BOB BEDDOW   |
| AMALIA BALASH  | SARA HAMAD   |
| KELLER         | NASEEM NADERI  |
| BUSGIRL        | SOPHIA ROBERTSON   |
| WAITER         | NASEEM NADERI  |
| CUSTOMER 1     | NASEEM NADERI  |
| CUSTOMER 2     | AFSANEH NADERI   |
| CUSTOMER 3     | JUDITH BOYLE   |
| NURSE          | AFSANEH NADERI   |
| DINERS         | ALBERT WONG, JOAN JAMES,<br>AFSANEH NADERI, NASEEM NADERI,<br>JULIANE BODINI, JUDITH BOYLE |
| CAROLERS       | ALBERT WONG, JOAN JAMES,<br>AFSANEH NADERI, NASEEM NADERI,<br>JUDITH BOYLE                 |

# Musical Numbers

## ACT ONE SCENE ONE

Good Morning, Good Day  
Days Gone By  
No More Candy



## SCENE TWO

Three Letters  
Tonight At Eight  
I Don't Know His Name  
Perspective  
Goodbye, Georg  
Will He Like Me?



## SCENE THREE

Ilona  
I Resolve

## SCENE FOUR

A Romantic Atmosphere  
Mr. Nowack, Will You Please  
Dear Friend



## ACT TWO SCENE ONE

Try Me

## SCENE TWO

Where's My Shoe?  
Vanilla Ice Cream

**SCENE THREE**  
She Loves Me  
A Trip To The Library  
Grand Knowing You

**SCENE FOUR**  
Twelve Days To Christmas



**SCENE FIVE**  
The Invitation

**SCENE SIX**  
Finale — Act II  
She Loves Me Bows



Director and Vocal Coach ..... Marion Brenner

Executive Producer ..... Robert Gardner

Stage Manager ..... Sara Hamad

Choreographer ..... Sophia Robertson

Graphic Design ..... Karanveer Sedha

Moxy B Studio Website Design ..... Albert Wong

Assistant Stage Manager ..... Pat Sirant

Set Design ..... Pat Galbraith, Robert Gardner,

Albert Wong, Marion Brenner

Lighting Design ..... James Odenbach, Kira Franchuk

Sound ..... Kira Franchuk

Costumes ..... The Cast

Props ..... Albert Wong, Joan James, Sara Hamad, Judith Boyle

Budapest Photography ..... Marion Brenner



# Cast Biographies

**Adriana**, or 'Adri' as she's known by the cast, plays Georg. Starring in *She Loves Me* is one of Adri's many side quests when she's not learning the ins and outs of business at MacEwan. Recently, Adri starred in *Murder on the Menu* and *It Happened on Route 66*.



**Bob** is a stand up comedian and actor. As part of his bucket list, Bob acted in a Fringe play in 2017. "Just one" he thought. *She Loves Me* will be his seventh stage production, and first venture into musical theater. Bob recently completed filming for his 8th Hallmark Christmas Movie.

Originally from Brazil, **Juliane** took acting classes at age 11. She studied at the renowned South American performing arts school Casa das Artes de Laranjeiras earning a Bachelor's Degree in Performing Arts through professional training. She produced and starred in *Dancer in the Dark*, a theatre adaptation of the Oscar-winning film by Lars Von Trier. In 2022, Juliane relocated to Canada to pursue further education, and *She Loves Me* marks her debut on the Canadian stage. Juliane hopes you enjoy her Ilona.



**Judith** plays Customer #3 and Diner, in *She Loves Me*, which is the seventh show she has appeared in with Moxy B Studio. She is living her best life, loves volunteering at Delton School and Alexander Janvier School as well as with Marion and Sara in Moxy B Studio's Drama Camps. Judith loves reading, baking, walking her crazy dog Poppy, and spending time with her husband and friends. She enjoys travelling and seeing as much theatre as possible!

When not racing in the Indy 500, sipping Frappuccinos, or designing gardens, **Marion** directs musicals and plays. Sometimes at the same time. Select credits include *Matilda*, *Annie*, *Newsies*, *Footloose*, and *In The Heights*.



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Kira is the lighting designer and show technician for *She Loves Me*. They are the House Technician for Workshop West Playwrights' Theatre. Select credits include *Tell Us What Happened*, *Unsung*, and *Subscribe Or Like*. They still collect CDs (vinyl is too heavy)!



**Robert** is a former high school teacher, now retired with time to enjoy travel, music, the arts, and various sporting events. He is a voracious reader of all sorts of topics and genres, and is a big fan of most types of pop culture. He likes cookies. A lot of cookies.

**Joan** plays Sipos. This is her third production with Moxy B Studio and Joan is grateful to be back. Being a non-singer, this musical has been challenging, entertaining and thanks to the supportive director, cast and crew, a lot of fun! Joan recently starred in *It Happened on Route 66* and *The Murder Mystery at the Murder Mystery*.



**Sara** loves the world of musical theatre. As her passion grows, she strengthens her acting, singing, dancing, and technical theatre skills. From working backstage as head technician for *Crazy For You* to playing Nina in *In the Heights*, to choreographing *Matilda*, she brings tremendous energy to each project. Her castmates love her enthusiasm and great sense of humour. And ability to create minuscule props.



**Afsaneh** is thrilled to play the role of Customer #2, which is ironic because she is a shopaholic in real life! She also plays the Nurse! She loves theatre, especially musicals!

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**Naseem** is excited to play Customer #1, Keller, and the Waiter! She is a lifelong musical lover and so delighted to be in a show with her mother, Afsaneh, who inspired this passion for theatre.

**Sophia** choreographed *She Loves Me* and plays the role of Arpay. When she's not performing with the U of A Dance Team she's working as a princess entertainer. Past shows include *Cry-Baby*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Grease* and *The Play That Goes Wrong*.



**Karanveer** created the program and poster for *She Loves Me*. He has worked as a Graphic Designer with Marion for 2 years and enjoys coming up with cool designs! He is a Computing Science Major and Psychology Minor at the U of A. Recently, Karanveer starred in *Murder on the Menu* and *The Murder Mystery at the Murder Mystery*.

**Pat** is a U of A alumnus who has had roles onstage and backstage for the last 7 years. Select credits include *Feast* at New Work Festival and Fringe Festival, *The 39 Steps* at Walterdale Theatre and *She Kills Monsters* with Studio Theatre. They are very excited to join the cast and crew of *She Loves Me* as Assistant Stage Manager.



**Albert** plays Steven Kodaly and contributes beautiful vintage pieces to our set design. When not kickboxing, or flying his helicopter, Albert writes sad, evocative poetry ... Wait, no! He is a physiotherapist, enjoys boxing and singing death metal music. He recently starred in *It Happened on Route 66* and *'Twas the Night before Christmas* with Moxy B Studio.

## Sassy quotes from *She Loves Me*

"I am so sorry about last night. It was a nightmare in every way!"

Amalia

"I would like to see a face like yours ... cracked ... Glamorous as Garbo ... Big Lips!"  
Parfumerie Customers



"I think this [music box] will make music lovers out of cigarette smokers, and cigarette smokers out of music lovers!"

Kodaly

"What can't be done? At Maraczek's, nothing is impossible."

Maraczek

"If it weren't for your endearing letters, I'd be flying South with all the Geese! By the way, have you read 'War and Peace'?"

Georg

"Yes, Sir! Yes, Sir! You're so right, Sir! Black is white, Sir!"

Sipos

"Maybe I'd do much better with a Library Card and a Gramophone ..."

Ilona

"I know I'll drop the silverware, but will I spill the water or the wine tonight at Eight?"

Georg

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Canadian Artist *Pat Galbraith*

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### Summer Drama Camp

Moxy B Studio

Director: Marion Brenner



Ages 6-12

Mondays - Fridays 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

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11540 - 73 Ave.

Shows: August 23 - 2 pm (Actor's Call 11:30 - 3:00 pm)

August 23 - 7 pm (Actor's Call 5:00 - 8:00 pm)

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Fall Comedy

Murder Mystery

July 26 and 27

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