



The Chilliwack PLAYERS Guild

proudly presents...

ROALD DAHL'S  
**Matilda**  
THE MUSICAL



lyrics by Tim Minchin  
book by Dennis Kelly  
orchestration by Chris Nightingale

**April 24th - May 4th**

Tickets at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre

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DIRECTED BY EMILY HAMEL | PRODUCED BY CLINT & LAURA HAMES  
MUSICAL DIRECTION BY TRISCHA BUHLER | CHOREOGRAPHY BY PAULINE DYNOWSKI

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**Clint Hames, *CPG President***

Welcome to our beautiful Cultural Centre. Every once in a while, the stars align, and a wonderful creative team is able to come together for the Players Guild to present a mainstage musical. *Matilda the Musical* is such an event. We are so pleased to have Emily, Pauline and Trischa back working on a CPG musical. The wonderful thing about doing a musical is that it allows our existing members a chance to stretch their talents, and it allows us to bring so many new people into the fold. We are welcoming new actors and

singers of all ages and some amazing and talented “backstage” folks to join with our veteran production team, and performers. Chilliwack is blessed with an abundance of community and professional theatre options, and we are so very thankful to you, our audience, for supporting the Chilliwack Players Guild.



**Emily Hamel, *Director***

Matilda is a very special story for me. It was one of the first books that I recall reading as a young child. I remember being so happy that the book did not talk down to me as a young reader. The humour and the suspense had me hooked from page one, and when Matilda succeeded, I nearly cheered out loud during reading hour in my classroom! A daydreamer, I couldn't help but imagine myself as Matilda from then on whenever I needed to overcome something. Years later, when I found out that one of my favourite musicians,

Tim Minchin, was adapting the book into a musical, I knew it would be as dear to me as the book was, and I was not disappointed. Tim's lyrics and music capture the bravery and mischief of Matilda to a T. This production has been an immense pleasure to collaborate with the designers, musicians, crew and cast on. And I am so very proud of what we have accomplished as a team. I hope you enjoy tonight's show as much as I've enjoyed the story, and bringing it to life for you.

Thank you for supporting local community theatre.

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**Laura Hames, Co-Producer**

Laura has been an active member of the CPG since 1977 and appeared in many productions. She produced many of the CPG's most successful productions, including *Fiddler on the Roof* (2012), *The Importance of Being Earnest* (2013), *On Golden Pond* (2014), *The Gin Game* (2016), *The Book of Will* (2023) and *Drinking Habits* (2024).



**Clint Hames, Co-Producer**

Clint has been an active member of the CPG over the past 50+ years. In that time, he has performed, directed and produced dozens of CPG shows. He helped establish the UFV Theatre program, serving as the interim Technical Director and directed several productions for the department. He is the current CPG President.



**Emily Hamel, Director**

Emily has been doing theatre with the CPG for over 20 years, both on stage and off. Previous directing credits include *Sabrina Fair* (CPG), *Anne of Green Gables the Musical* (CPG), *Oklahoma* (Secondary Characters), *Mary Poppins* (CSOPA), *Chickens the Musical* and *The Valley Babes Variety Shows* and *Unveiled* (Chilliwack Cultural Centre & The Valley Babes).



**Trischa Buhler, Musical Director**

Trischa last worked with the CPG as Musical Director for *Gypsy*. She has an extensive resume as a musical director, including *The Lightning Thief*, *Cinderella*, and *SpongeBob the Musical* for CSOPA; *Sweeney Todd* and *Oklahoma!* for Secondary Characters; and *Annie* and *The Wizard of Oz* for Royal City Musical Theatre. She was also the Musical Director for the Theatre Under the Stars production of *Titanic: A New Musical*.



**Pauline Dynowski, Choreographer**

Pauline has extensive experience as a choreographer and performer. For the CPG, she choreographed *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Pirates of Penzance*. A talented singer/actor, she most recently appeared in *The Importance of Being Earnest*, *Drowsy Chaperone*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and *Leading Ladies* for the CPG and in *Oklahoma!* and *Sweeney Todd* for Secondary Characters. She is also a member of the award-winning group The Valley Babes.



**Anne-Marie Blessin, Stage Manager**

Ann-Marie's first production was as Assistant Stage Manager for *Cool Britannia* (2017), one of the CPG's "British Nights". Her first show as Stage Manager was another "British Nights" show: *Pirate Radio* (2019). From there she continued to be Stage Manager for several more CPG productions including *Calendar Girls*, *The Outsider*, *The Book of Will*, *Glitter Girls*, and *Pride and Prejudice*.

## Matilda the Musical Creators

**Dennis Kelly:** Work for theatre includes *Debris*, *Osama the Hero*, *After the End*, *Love and Money*, *Taking Care of Baby*, *DNA*, *Orphans*, *The Gods Weep*, and *The Ritual Slaughter of Gorge Mastromas*. He has written the book for the new musical of *Pinocchio* which opens at the National Theatre at the end of 2017, and in 2018 his new play *Girls and Boys* opens at the Royal Court. His plays have been performed worldwide and to date have been translated into nearly forty languages. For television he co-wrote and co-created *Pulling* and wrote and created *Utopia*, and for film he wrote the screenplay for *Black Sea*, directed by Kevin MacDonald. He also wrote the book for the Olivier and Tony winning *Matilda the Musical*. In 2010 DNA became a set text on the GCSE English Literature syllabus.

**Tim Minchin:** Tim is a musician, actor, comedian, writer and director. He's toured extensively in the US, UK and Australia, performing solo, with bands, and with symphony orchestras. He's released five DVDs, the most recent recorded with the Heritage Orchestra at the Royal Albert Hall. Screen acting credits include *Robin Hood Origins* (2018), *Secret River* (2015), and *Californication* (Season 6 - 2013). Stage acting credits include *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead* (Sydney Theatre Company) and *Jesus Christ Superstar* (UK/Australia tours). Tim has written extensively for theatre and is the composer-lyricist of *Matilda the Musical* (with Dennis Kelly) and *Groundhog Day the Musical* (with Danny Rubin).

**Roald Dahl:** Roald Dahl (1916-1990) was the author of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Matilda*, *The BFG* and many more of the world's best-loved children's stories. He remains one of the world's greatest storytellers and is celebrated annually by the world's biggest author-based event, Roald Dahl Day – which is recognised across the globe on 13th September.

His first children's story, *James and the Giant Peach*, published in 1961 and was a huge hit. Every subsequent book became a best-seller.

Today, his stories are available in 59 languages, and, by a conservative estimate, he has sold more than 250 million books. Many of these stories have also been adapted for stage and screen, including the 1971 film classic *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, Wes Anderson's acclaimed *Fantastic Mr. Fox*, and the Royal Shakespeare Company's multi-award-winning production of *Matilda The Musical*.

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## ***Synopsis of Musical Numbers***

### **ACT ONE**

<i>Miracle</i>	Doctor, Mrs. Wormwood, Little Kids, Ensemble
<i>Naughty</i>	Matilda
<i>School Song</i>	Little Kids, Big Kids
<i>Pathetic</i>	Miss Honey
<i>The Hammer</i>	Miss Trunchbull, Miss Honey, Little Kids, Big Kids
<i>Naughty (Reprise)</i>	Matilda
<i>Chokey Chant</i>	Big Kids
<i>Loud</i>	Mrs. Wormwood, Rudolpho, Ensemble
<i>This Little Girl</i>	Miss Honey
<i>Bruce</i>	Little Kids, Big Kids

### **ACT TWO**

<i>All I Know</i>	Mr. Wormwood, Michael
<i>When I Grow Up</i>	Bruce, Little Kids, Big Kids, Ensemble
<i>I'm Here</i>	Matilda, Escapologist
<i>The Smell of Rebellion</i>	Miss Trunchbull, Little Kids, Big Kids
<i>Quiet</i>	Matilda
<i>My House</i>	Miss Honey, Escapologist, Matilda
<i>Revoltin' Children</i>	Bruce, Little Kids, Big Kids
<i>When I Grow Up</i>	Entire Cast

### ***What's Coming Up***

***Hector***, a play about forgiveness, written and directed by Clint Hames.

May 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. and May 11 at 2 p.m.

In the Rotary Hall, at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre

Also being performed May 23 at Tsawwassen Arts Centre

### ***Auditions for Murdered to Death***

A play by Peter Gordon, directed by Raymond Hatton

May 25 and 26<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 p.m.

**For more information: [playersguild.ca](http://playersguild.ca)**

Secondary Characters performance of ***Something Rotten***

Coming to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre July 18-27

***The Cast***



**Deanne Moore**  
*Miss Agatha Trunchbull*



**Piper Wilkinson**  
*Matilda Wormwood*



**Katrina Molenaar**  
*Mrs. Zinnia Wormwood*



**Andy Rolleman**  
*Mr. Harry Wormwood*



**Sarah Stewart**  
*Miss Jennifer Honey*



**Sydney Wilkinson**  
*Bruce Bogtrotter*



**Dehva Mottaghian**  
*Lavender*



**Elizabeth Castillo**  
*Mrs. Phelps/mom 4/  
ensemble*



**Envy Malloway**  
*Michael Wormwood*



**Mason Scott**  
*Escapologist/dad 3/  
ensemble*



**Kali Anyx**  
*The Acrobat/mom 3/  
ensemble*



**Ivy Driediger**  
*Amanda Thrupp*



**Anna Halliday**  
*Nigel*



**Alice Bortolazzo**  
*Eric*



**Aliyah Rithaler**  
*Alice*



**Charlie-bel Krahn**  
*Hortensia*



**Dax Cryderman**  
*Tommy*



**Stephen Wilhite**  
*Doctor*



**Racheal Arnold**  
*Nurse 4/ballroom  
dancer/ensemble*



**Shianna Chestney**  
*Head Nurse/ballroom  
dancer/ensemble*



**Karina Evangeline**  
*Mom 2/Rudolpho/  
ensemble*



**Asha Bogaards**  
*Nurse 1/ensemble*



**Julia Nunes**  
*Nurse 3/ballroom  
dancer/ensemble*



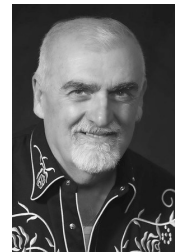
**Brody Ediger**  
*Dad 4/ballroom  
dancer/ensemble*



**Alex Affleck**  
*Snark Kid/ensemble*



**Christian Joy Tuininga**  
*Grandma/dance judge/  
ensemble*



**Stephen Saunders**  
*Grandpa/dance judge/  
Sergei/ensemble*



**Doug Wickers**  
*Cook/dance judge/  
mechanic/henchman 4/  
ensemble*



**Allison Halliday**  
*Mom 1/circus performer/  
ballroom dancer/  
henchman2/ensemble*



**André Gagné**  
*Dad1/circus performer/  
ballroom dancer/  
henchman 1/ensemble*



**Jaqueline Higginbottom**  
*Childrens' entertainer/  
 dance judge/ensemble*



**Paul Nguyen**  
*Dad 2/circus performer/  
 henchman 3/ensemble*



**Cast Bios**

### ***The Orchestra***



Back row, left to right:

Sarah Dyck, Reed 1; Melissa Myles, Reed 2; Paul Blessin, Percussion;  
 Noah Buhler, Trombone; Trischa Buhler, Musical Director;  
 Tasha Zimmerman, Trumpet 2; Clark Kerr, Trumpet 1.

Front Row, left to right:

Cadence Born, Guitar; Sarah Wills, Bass Guitar; Greg Antle, Cello;  
 Teng Mackay, Keys 2; Jennifer Silva, Keys 1.



## ***Production Team***

Producers  
Director  
Assistant Director  
Musical Director  
Choreographer  
Stage Manager  
Assistant Stage Manager  
Costume Design  
Set Design  
Lighting Design  
Lighting Operator  
Projections  
Sound Operator  
Properties  
Special Properties  
Set Construction

Set Decoration  
Set Painting

Graphic Design  
Costume Creator  
Costume Manager  
Stage Crew

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Program

Youth Talent Liaison  
Dressers  
Dance Captains  
Costume Crew

Rehearsal Assistant  
Lobby Display  
Intimacy Coordinator  
Fight Director

*Clint and Laura Hames*  
*Emily Hamel*  
*Karina Evangeline*  
*Trischa Buhler*  
*Pauline Dynowski*  
*Ann-Marie Blessin*  
*Trisha Knight-Good*  
*Christine Newsome*  
*Graham Archer*  
*Jamea Lister*  
*Hayden Simpson*  
*Jamea Lister, Matt Brisson*  
*Constance Coffey*  
*Suzanne Gresham*  
*Matt Brisson*  
*Graham Archer, with Rick Funk, Bob Audet,*  
*Ken Watson, John Pronger*

*Astrid Wettig*  
*Astrid Wettig, with Trisha Knight-Good,*  
*TJ MacPherson, Suzanne Gresham, Ayla White,*  
*Deniss Leonovich, Debra Archer, Laura Hames*

*Matt Brisson*  
*Inga Franks*  
*Maggie Saunders*  
*Nadia Hugh, Alexandra Baird, Kyra Esau-McGahey,*  
*Dean Jensen*

*Amber Bergeron*  
*Emily Hamel*  
*Amber Bergeron, with Alexia Burns,*  
*Angela Wilkinson, Olivia Driediger*

*Ian Meissner*  
*TJ MacPherson, CPG Marketing Committee*  
*Sandy Dorion*

*Jacqueline Higginbottom*  
*Mary Spani, Barb Funk, Inga Franks, Maggie Saunders*  
*Amber Bergeron, Karina Evangeline*  
*Barb Funk, Julie Muirhead, Gwen Philips, Karen Smith,*  
*Sabine Goulet*

*Fae Cryderman*  
*Debra Archer*  
*Janet Carroll*  
*Stephen Elchesen*



**Crew Bios**

## ***COME 'PLAY' WITH US!***

The Chilliwack Players Guild is made up of people from our community who are like-minded, fun-loving volunteers who enjoy theatre. Our purpose is to foster and build life-long friendships and provide opportunities for individuals to grow in the theatrical arts and related fields. Along with our season of plays, the Guild also supports local charities with their special events. And we have plenty of social and informal gatherings! No matter your age or experience we'd love to have you join us and 'come play with us!'

Find out more at [www.playersguild.ca](http://www.playersguild.ca) and follow us on



### **Thank you!**

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**and most especially YOU, our audience!**

### ***Chilliwack Players Guild Executive***

Clint Hames	Raymond Hatton	Barbara Blom	Maggie Saunders
Jennifer Matthias	Mary Ellen Shimell	Hayden Simpson	Carol Taylor
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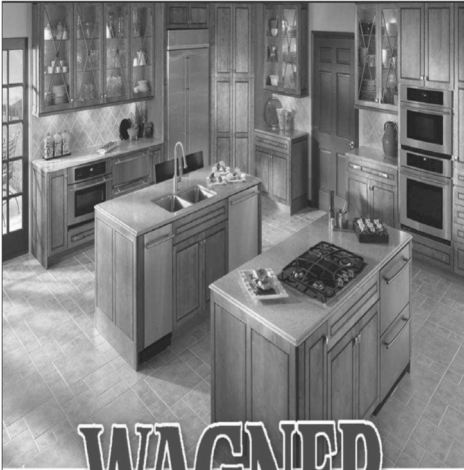
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**Hector**  
by Clint Hames  
“a story of forgiveness”  
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