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The Warner Theatre Announces

Open Auditions for Children for the upcoming musical: *OLIVER!*

Audition Locations Announced in Torrington & Canton

Torrington, CT – The Warner Theatre will be holding two open auditions for children ages 9-16 for roles in the upcoming main stage musical, *OLIVER!* at the historic theatre. Roles include the title role of Oliver, Artful Dodger, Workhouse Children and Fagin's Gang. Children are encouraged to come dressed in clothing appropriate for the role. Open auditions will be held both onsite at the Warner Theatre Center for Arts Education and, in a partnership with the Shoppes at Farmington Valley, at the former location of *Water, Water Everywhere* adjacent to Barnes & Noble bookstore on Rt. 44 in Canton.

Offsite Auditions

Tuesday, Dec. 29 at 1pm

Open Call

Shoppes at Farmington Valley

(former home of *Water, Water Everywhere* adjacent to Barnes & Noble)

Onsite Auditions

Sunday, Jan 3 at 1pm

Open Call

Location: Warner Theatre Center for Arts Education

Call Backs

Sunday, Jan 3 at 6pm

Location: Warner Theatre Center for Arts Education

OLIVER!

Warner Theatre Main Stage

Directed & Choreographed by: Thomas Cochrane

Musical Direction by Neil Pagano

Performance Dates:

Saturday, March 20 @ 8pm

Sunday, March 21 @ 2pm

Friday, March 26 @ 8pm

Saturday, March 27 @ 8pm

Sunday, March 28 @ 2pm

For more information, call the Warner audition line at 860-489-7180, ext 151 or check online at www.warnertheatre.org/auditions.

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THE WARNER THEATRE

Built by Warner Brothers Studios and opened in 1931 as a movie palace (1,772 seats), the Warner Theatre was described then as "Connecticut's Most Beautiful Theatre." Damaged extensively in a flood, the Warner was slated for demolition in the early 1980s until the non-profit Northwest Connecticut Association for the Arts (NCAA) was founded and purchased the theatre. The Warner reopened as a performing arts center in 1983, and restoration of the main lobbies and auditorium was completed in November 2002. In 2008, the new 50,000 square foot Carole and Ray Neag Performing Arts Center, which houses a 300 seat studio theatre, 200 seat restaurant and micro-brewery and expansive school for the arts, was completed. Today, the Warner is in operation year-round with more than 160 performances and 100,000 patrons passing through its doors each season. Over 10,000 students, pre K—adult, participate in arts education programs and classes. Together, with the support of the community, the Warner has raised close to \$17 million to revitalize its facilities. NCAA's mission is to preserve the Warner Theatre as an historic landmark, enhance its reputation as a center of artistic excellence and a focal point of community involvement, and satisfy the diverse cultural needs of the region. To learn more about the Warner Theatre, visit our website: www.warnertheatre.org.

