



The Drama Studio at West Ashley High School is pleased to present to the Charleston community a production of the entertaining musical *Little Shop of Horrors*, a comedy rock musical, by composer Alan Menken and writer Howard Ashman. A down-and-out skid row floral assistant becomes an overnight sensation when he discovers an exotic plant with a mysterious craving.

Soon the plant, the "Audrey II," grows into an ill-tempered, R&B-singing carnivore who offers the floral assistant fame and fortune in exchange for feeding its growing appetite, finally revealing itself to be an alien creature poised for global domination!

The plant dances, sings, and becomes a central character in the show. The voice of the plant is performed by seasoned alumni Donnie Newton, a member of the staff at WAHS. The music, in the style of early 1960's rock and roll, doo-wop and early Motown, includes several well-known tunes, including the title song, "Skid Row (Downtown)," "Somewhere That's Green," and "Suddenly, Seymour." The songs, dances, endearing characters, and humor make this popular show a winner for audiences everywhere.

Performance dates are at 7:00 P.M. on May 22, May 23, May 24 with tickets priced at \$10.00. Tickets may be purchased at the door as long as available. The WAHS auditorium opens at 6:30 on performance nights. Information may be obtained by calling The Drama Studio at 843-573-1201, extension 5213. Please, leave a message, name, and phone number if directors, Ellyn Winkles and Nancy Shurlds are unavailable, and calls will be quickly returned.

The cast includes seventy talented Drama IV students, with the magnificent plants created by the Sculpture II class and artist/teacher Dan O'Brien, sets by alumni, a performance by the WAHS "Travel Cats," and rollicking production numbers certain to have the audience experience theater at its best. Laced with humor and irresistible music, *Little Shop of Horrors* is one of the longest-running off-Broadway shows of all time. The production is complete Broadway with full orchestration by Island Sounds, dancers, fantastic scenery, and talented actors. The evening is sure to be a delightful one for viewers, guaranteed not to disappoint!