



goodbye CHERRYTON HALL

STARS WERE BORN, PLAYS WERE REHEARSED, GAME SHOWS WERE LIVE AND
MEMORIES WERE MADE.

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STAGE SCRIPT

Goodbye Cherrington Hall



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Age Group: 6+



No. Characters: 47

Logline:

In this heartfelt comedy, the final farewell of a beloved music hall brings laughter, nostalgia, and personal revelations as Jake, the current owner, navigates the closing night with his father, reflecting on the venue's vibrant history and the lasting impact it had on its community.

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Synopsis

Goodbye Cherrington Hall is a heartfelt and humorous reflection on the legacy of a cherished music hall as it faces its final curtain call. Jake, the hall's current owner, grapples with the impending closure, under the critical yet nostalgic gaze of his father, Charles, the hall's former proprietor. The evening unfolds as a mix of laughter, memories, and misadventures during the hall's grand farewell party.

Through flashbacks, the story reveals the hall's colourful history, from chaotic rehearsals and amateur plays to legendary performances and unforgettable events like punk rock dance-offs and iconic game shows. Each memory showcases the hall's role as a community hub, where dreams, rivalries, and camaraderie took centre stage.

As Jake delivers his closing speech, reflecting on the highs and lows of running the venue, he realises the true legacy of Cherrington Hall lies in the joy and memories it created for all who stepped through its doors.



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Narratives & Character List:

Cherrington Hall (Main Narrative):

11 characters

Jake
Charles
May
Tash
Paul
Janitor
Taylor
Sammy
Dave
Mark
Trevor

The Rehearsal: 8 characters

Val
Fran
Dolly
Jake
Lucy
Emily
Annie
Jackie

The Movie Stars: 9 characters

Tippi
Julie
Audrey
Mia
Natalie
Elvis
Sean
Steve
Stanley

The Clash: 10 characters

Alexie
Tammy
Phie Phie
Carly
Nancy
May
Nat
Tash
Taylor
Sammy

Family Fortunes: 9 characters

Host
Barry
Karen
Ray
Lisa
Cheryl
Steve
Susan
Ben

Have fun with it!

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Full Narrative Script

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SCENE 1

CHERRINGTON MUSIC HALL

A small crowd gather in the Cherrington Music Hall talking amongst themselves, admiring the décor. The owner JAKE and the former owner Jake's dad CHARLES come to the front of the stage

JAKE

I'm sorry I couldn't save the old girl
dad.

CHARLES

You did your best son

JAKE

That's very kind of you to say Dad

CHARLES

Can you not read sarcasm, tell me
how on earth did you manage to run
this place into the ground so quickly?

JAKE

I mean it's been ten years I hardly call
that quick, I tried my best but it wasn't
easy with you not letting me change a
single bit of the décor

CHARLES

It's classic, it has charm, it didn't need
renovating, all you needed to do was
just come up with new ideas for the
place.

MAY, Jake's wife and TASH May's friend come up to Charles and Jake

MAY

How are you both feeling? I can't
believe this place is closing down

TASH

What's the little old sleepy town of
Seaford going to be without the
Cherrington Music Hall, so many
memories here

MAY

It's where Jake and I met for the first time, all those memories, it still doesn't seem real that this is the last party we'll have here

CHARLES

Not many people here I see, how could you not even fill the place on a night like tonight son?

JAKE

I don't know, I mean who wouldn't want to come to the grand closing down of a washed-out business

CHARLES

Well we know why it's washed out don't we! Give me one good idea that you've managed to have since I passed this place onto you

JAKE

The play I was in

CHARLES

Ha!

TASH

Oh no, no Jake, that's not a good example. I saw that play and also some of the rehearsals. It was a disaster, just awful, most likely the worst play I've ever seen and I've seen some shockers

MAY

Tash! It wasn't that bad. It was much, much worse.

They all begin to giggle

MAY

When he had the idea of putting on the play he thought he was going to be the next Marlon Brando