TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORP Form SC 13D/A October 19, 2011

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### SCHEDULE 13D/A

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 9)

# TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

89336 Q 10 0 (CUSIP Number)

Robert J. Higgins
38 Corporate Circle
Albany, New York 12203
(518) 452-1242
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

October 19, 2011

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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12	17,685,675 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)							
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)							
14	51.3% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) IN							
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This Amendment No. 9 to Schedule 13D (this Amendment No. 9 ) is being filed on behalf of Robert J. Higgins and amends the Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on December 10, 2007, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on February 5, 2008, as further amended by Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on April 4, 2008, as further amended by Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on May 6, 2008, as further amended by Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on January 23, 2009, as further amended by Amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on March 11, 2009, as further amended by Amendment No. 6 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on October 7, 2009, as further amended by Amendment No. 7 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on March 15, 2010 and as further amended by Amendment No. 8 to Schedule 13D filed by Mr. Higgins on April 21, 2010 (as amended, the Initial Schedule 13D ). This Amendment No. 9 relates to the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Company Common Stock ), of Trans World Entertainment Corporation, a New York corporation (the Company ).

Certain information contained in this Amendment No. 9 relates to the ownership of Company Common Stock by persons other than Mr. Higgins. Mr. Higgins expressly disclaims any liability for any such information and for any other information provided in this Amendment No. 9 that does not expressly pertain to Mr. Higgins.

Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized, undefined terms used in this Amendment No. 9 shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Initial Schedule 13D, and unless otherwise amended hereby, all information set forth in the Initial Schedule 13D remains in effect.

#### Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

Item 3 is hereby amended by adding the following:

As of October 17, 2011, the Reporting Person had purchased, in open market purchases, an aggregate of 333,174 additional shares of Company Common Stock, for a total purchase price of approximately \$678,900, including brokerage commissions. The Reporting Person purchased such shares with personal funds.

#### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

No material change from Schedule 13D/A filed on April 21, 2010.

#### Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5 is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

(a), (b) As of the date hereof, the aggregate number and percentage of shares of Company Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Higgins (assuming full exercise of his options to purchase shares of Company Common Stock), including the number of shares of Company Common Stock as to which Mr. Higgins has sole power to vote or direct the vote, shared power to vote or direct the vote, sole power to dispose or direct the

disposition or shared power to dispose or direct the disposition, is set forth in the table below.

According to the Company  $\,$ s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended July 30, 2011, filed with the Commission on September 9, 2011 (the  $\,$ Form 10-Q  $\,$ ), there were 31,454,529 shares of Company Common Stock outstanding as of August 26, 2011.

		Number of		Number of Shares			
Reporting Person	Number of Shares with Sole Power to Vote	Shares with Shared Power to Vote	Number of Shares with Sole Power to Dispose	with Shared Power to Dispose	Aggregate of Shares Beneficially Owned	Adjusted Number of Shares Outstanding	Percent of Shares Beneficially Owned
Robert J. Higgins	17,635,125 (1)	50,550 (2)	17,635,125 (1)	50,550 (2)	17,685,675 (3)	34,479,529 (4)	51.3% (5)

- (1) Consists of (i) 14,472,625 shares of Company Common Stock directly owned by Mr. Higgins, (ii) 3,025,000 shares of Company Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of options held by Mr. Higgins that are vested and outstanding and (iii) 137,500 shares of Company Common Stock owned by the Higgins Family Foundation, of which Mr. Higgins is the sole trustee.
- (2) Consists of 50,550 shares of Company Common Stock owned by Mr. Higgins s spouse
- (3) Consists of (i) 14,472,625 shares of Company Common Stock directly owned by Mr. Higgins, (ii) 3,025,000 shares of Company Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of options held by Mr. Higgins that are vested and outstanding, (iii) 137,500 shares of Company Common Stock owned by the Higgins Family Foundation, of which Mr. Higgins is the sole trustee, and (iv) 50,550 shares of Company Common Stock owned by Mr. Higgins s spouse
- (4) Consists of (i) shares of Company Common Stock issued and outstanding as of August 26, 2011, as set forth in the Form 10-Q and (ii) 3,025,000 shares of Company Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of options held by Mr. Higgins that are vested and outstanding.
- (5) Based on (i) all shares of Company Common Stock issued and outstanding as of August 26, 2011, as set forth in the Form 10-Q and (ii) 3,025,000 shares of Company Common Stock subject to options held by Mr. Higgins that are vested and outstanding.
- (c) During the last sixty days there were no transactions with respect to the Company Common Stock affected by Mr. Higgins.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) Not applicable.

# Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of Issuer No material change from Schedule 13D/A filed on April 21, 2010.

## Item. 7 Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Not applicable.

## **SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of the undersigned s knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: October 19, 2011 /S/ Robert J. Higgins Name: Robert J. Higgins

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