STAGE DOOR PLAYERS 2017-2018 SEASON "There Really is No Business Like Show Business"





















Dear Theater Lovers,

"There's No Business Like Show Business!"

As I begin my fourteenth year as the Producing Director of Stage Door Players, those words ring truer than ever. Over the past thirteen seasons I have watched, along with you, this theater company grow and thrive while many of our beloved companies have ceased to exist. The overwhelming support we have received as we made our way from the small plucky community theater we once were to the award winning professional theater we are today is nothing short of amazing. You have allowed us to bring the best of the Atlanta theater community's brightest talents through our doors.

Because of our loyal season ticket holders, patrons, sponsors, friends, and community partners, Stage Door Players continues to be counted among Atlanta's top theater companies. And we hope that you will continue to help us keep growing year after theatrical year. Our hometown roots keep us grounded as our wide-reaching branches sprout and spread to the sky.

What's coming your way for Season 44? This season we will bring you six mainstage productions to thrill, entertain, inform, and delight. Comedy, Drama, Music, and Mystery are on tap as we present a Hitchcockian thriller, a homespun holiday favorite, a Pulitzer Prizewinning drama, a thought-provoking comedy-drama, the regional premiere of a new comedy, and the rockand-roll musical revue to have you singing and tapping your toes well into the night. Once again, we will set out to make sure that your entertainment dollars are well spent, and that your continued support in Stage Door is a sound and worthwhile investment.

Your purchase of season tickets, along with your taxdeductible donations, help us reach those goals, and assure that the theater company you have come to know, love, and watch grow thrives for many seasons to come.

"Like no business I know!"

See you at the Stage Door!



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DIAL M FOR MURDER

by Frederick Knott

Tony Wendice has married his wife, Margot, for her money and now plans to murder her for the same reason. After arranging the "perfect murder," he blackmails a scoundrel he used to know into strangling her, and designs a brilliant alibi for himself. After a terrifying twist of fate, a suspenseful Hitchcockian game of cat and mouse convenes until an inspector from Scotland Yard and the young man in love with the wife discover the truth.

September 22 - October 15

CHRISTMAS AT SWEET APPLE

by Phillip Depoy

Written by award winning Atlanta playwright, Phillip DePoy and based on the writings of celebrated AJC columnist Celestine Sibley, Christmas At Sweet Apple is a feel-good hometown celebration of the season told through story and song. Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday craziness, and come sit by the fire for a spell.

December 1 - December 17

PICNIC

by William Inge

Winner of the 1953 Pulitzer Prize, the play takes place on a Kansas Labor Day weekend in the joint backyards of two middle-aged widows, Flo Owens, who lives there with her two maturing daughters, and Helen Potts, who lives with her elderly and invalid mother. Into this female atmosphere comes a mysterious young man whose animal vitality seriously upsets the entire group. Choices, temptations, and sacrifices lead to the prevailing message of "Picnic" that youth is a precious gift that must be savored instead of squandered.

January 22 - February 18

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MASS APPEAL

by Bill C. Davis

Father Tim Farley is highly popular with his parishioners due to his charm, wit, easy-going manner, and entertaining, if unchallenging sermons. Seminary student, Mark Dolson is a young, passionate firebrand eager to change the Church. When Mark is placed under the wing of the elder priest, conversations take place and complications arise until they both realize that each has something to teach the other about how to perform his priestly duties.

March 23 - April 15

LIVING ON LOVE

by Joe DiPietro

When a demanding diva discovers that her largerthan-life maestro husband has become enamored with the lovely young lady hired to ghostwrite his largely fictional autobiography, she hires a handsome young scribe of her own. Sparks fly, silverware is thrown, and romance blossoms in the most unexpected ways in this delightful and hilarious romantic comedy.

May 18 - June 10

SMOKEY JOES CAFÉ

music and lyrics by Lieber and Stoller

Leiber and Stoller, as much as anyone, virtually invented rock 'n' roll, and now their songs provide the basis for an electrifying entertainment that illuminates a golden age of American culture. The classic themes of love won, lost, and imagined blend with hilarious set-pieces and slice-of-life emotions. Featuring nearly 40 of the greatest songs ever recorded, like Hound Dog, Yakkity-Yak, On Broadway and Love Potion #9, SMOKEY JOE'S CAFE isn't just great pop music - it's compelling musical theatre.

July 13 - August 5

(Shows, times and dates subject to change)

5339 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Dunwoody, GA 30338

Save The Date

6th Annual Christmas Ceilidh

A Celtic Celebration of the Season Stage Door Players December 11, 2017 at 8:00

The Broadway Bash

Stage Door Players' Annual Fundraiser Dunwoody Country Club February 10, 2018

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