

Theatre North's 54th SEASON OF COMMUNITY THEATRE

Dear Friends of Theatre North:

Theatre North is continuing its tradition of community theatre with three entertaining shows planned for the 2017-2018 season. The season begins with the musical comedy **La Cage Aux Folles** directed by Cindy Franck and Jerry Lauzon presented in October 2017. The second show in February 2018 will be the touching comedy-drama, **Marvin's Room**, directed by Helen Fashbaugh. Winding up the season in April 2018 will be **Imaginings in an Empty Space**, -- four one act plays directed by Robert C. Walker.

Season Ticket prices will remain the same. Ticket outlets will include The Z Place in Ironwood, Leather and Gift in Bessemer and the Theatre North Box Office.

Please complete the enclosed form and return it to Theatre North. Your patron tickets will be mailed to you.

Thank you, Judy Holst, Membership Chair



October 19-22 and October 27-29, 2017 La Cage Aux Folles

Directed by: Cindy Franck and Jerry Lauzon.

Musical Director: Denise Woodward

Written By Harvey Fierstein, and Jean Poiret Music by Jerry Herman

La Cage aux Folles is an over the top, glamorous musical that inspired the film The Birdcage with Robin Williams and Nathan Lane. Showgirls, glamorous costumes, beautiful ballads and great comedy sparkle throughout this, twice, Tony Award Winning Musical.

La Cage aux Folles began life as a stage play in 1973 and was then adapted into a wildly popular French film premiering in 1978. A wickedly funny musical comedy about two gay men, George and Albin, who have had a relationship for over 20 years. They own a glamorous nightclub in St. Tropez, France where one is the star and the other the MC. When George's son, the product of a one night stand years ago, brings home the daughter of a very conservative French politician and announces their impending marriage, comedy ensues as everyone tries to pretend they are someone or something they are not. This film was remade as The Birdcage in 1996 featuring music by Jerry Herman who also wrote Mame and Hello Dolly.



February 2018 Marvin's Room

By: Scott McPherson

Directed by: Helen Fashbaugh

A comedy/drama about redemption through love and family connection. It centers around Bessie, who cares for her pain-ridden aunt and ailing father, confined to his room. When Bessie is diagnosed with Leukemia, she is forced to contact her long-estranged sister, Lee, hoping she is compatible for a bone marrow transplant. Lee reluctantly arrives with her two sons, one of whom has recently been institutionalized for mental illness. Long-buried incriminations surface, but love slowly overwhelms Lee's resistance, as Bessie takes on the new challenge of reuniting Lee and her son before he rejects her completely for years of neglect. This play merges humor with wisdom.



April 2018 Imaginings in An Empty Space Four One-Act Plays

Directed by: Robert C. Walker

An eclectic evening of theatre comprised of 4 one act plays. **Rupert's Birthday** by Ken Jenkins: Story told by Louisa, a farm woman who discusses why the only birthday she celebrates is Rupert's, a calf she delivered; and recalling the events that fill the empty space of her life, **Seven Minutes to Jericho** by John Manchester. A Matriarch of the town who has lost its industries recalls its heyday with a corporate man who wishes to buy the town to turn it into a theme park. **Recalulating** by Arnold and Deborah Johnston: Does using your GPS really lead you in the right direction? **Sure Thing** by David Ives. A short comic play featuring a chance meeting of two characters, Betty and Bill, whose conversation is continually reset by a ringing bell, when one of them responds negatively to the other.

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| Star Ticket @ \$100 each | |
| Benefactor Ticket @ \$125+ | |
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