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The Newsletter of the Barnstable Comedy Club

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OUR 102nd SEASON CONCLUDES WITH INTENSITY - NUTS OPENS MAY 2!

The Barnstable Comedy Club will present the intriguing drama, **Nuts** by Tom Topor and directed by Linda M. Stevens for its final production of the season.

The story follows Claudia Faith Draper, a divorcee turned high-class call girl who killed a violent “john.” The State charges her with manslaughter, but she claims self-defense. When her mother, Rose Kirk, and stepfather, Arthur, try to avoid an embarrassing public trial by having her declared mentally incompetent even though it means she’ll spend the rest of her life in a mental hospital, Claudia launches a fierce battle to convince the court that she is sane enough to stand trial. As testimony from experts, physicians and her parents unfolds, the painful truth about Claudia’s childhood is exposed. The play is based on a real life legal case. A Broadway hit, **Nuts** has been called the best courtroom melodrama since **Witness for the Prosecution** and **The Caine Mutiny Court Martial**.

The cast includes veteran actors Theresa Cedrone as Claudia Faith Draper, Frank Hughes Jr., as Aaron Levinsky, Steve Ross as Franklin Macmillan, Larry Lickteig as Arthur Kirk, Lee LaCroix as Rose Kirk, Hub Mathewson as Dr. Hebert Rosenthal, Mike Gillis as Judge Murdoch, Rob Thorne as Officer Harry Haggerty, and Lizzy Smythe as the Recorder.

Nuts opens on Thursday, May 2 at 7:30 PM and continues through May 19 with performances on Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 PM and Sunday matinees at 2:30 PM. General admission tickets are \$25 / \$23 for seniors 65+ and students and may be purchased online at www.barnstablecomedyclub.org or reserved by calling the box office at 508-362-6333. **This play contains adult content and is for mature audiences.**

PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS OF YOUNG MUSICAL THEATRE ENTHUSIASTS - CAPE COD KIDS ON BROADWAY RETURNS THIS SUMMER!

Cape Cod Kids on Broadway is a musical theater workshop program dedicated to teaching children the fundamentals of musical theater with the view of preparing them for their larger performance on life’s stage.

Our theater programs provide a venue for self-expression, helping kids tap into their talents, explore their creativity, and in the process, help them build their confidence and self-esteem. Professional coaching in voice, acting, and movement provides the fundamentals of performance.

Announcing Our 2024 SUMMER WORKSHOPS!

Learn to perform scenes and songs from favorite Broadway musicals!

2 different one-week workshops open to ages 5+

1 full-length musical theater production open to ages 8+

Kids will:

- Develop their talent
- Learn healthy singing techniques
- Perform before an audience
- Increase self-confidence and ease in front of a group
- Learn the fundamentals of performance with professional coaching in acting, singing and dance!

The program starts on June 24. For more information and to sign up please visit www.capecodkidsonbroadway.com.

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS - ARTS SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Barnstable Comedy Club is pleased to offer a \$500 scholarship to any Cape Cod High School senior who plans to major in any of the creative arts at an accredited school or college. Those interested should download the scholarship form at our website, www.barnstablecomedyclub.org and mail to Scholarship Chair Sue Lindholm no later than May 1.

RIPCORD A HILARIOUS HIT!

Patrons and critics alike were rolling in the aisles during the run of March's fun comedy Ripcord by David Lindsey-Abaire. The show sold out several of its Sunday matinee performances to make it a great success. Barbara Clark of the Cape Cod Times praised the show saying, "see this fast-moving play and enjoy moments that are both funny and poignant. Travel slightly below the surface in the lives of these two combatants, watching unexpected visits from long-absent family members, and begin to see that each woman has endured past traumas and trials that helped lead to the exteriors they show the world today." Joanne Brianna-Gartner of the Falmouth Enterprise was impressed by the two lead actresses: "Part "Gin Game" part "The Odd Couple," "Ripcord" features Abby and Marilyn, two senior women living at the Bristol Place Senior Living Facility. Abby (Linda Monchik) has lived at Bristol Place for four years and had managed, despite living in a double room, to live there mostly roommate free. Marilyn (Karen McPherson) is a new arrival at Bristol Place...Ms. Monchik and Ms. McPherson are both seasoned

performers and familiar faces to Cape audiences. Both are excellent in their roles.”
Congratulations to Director Ann M. Ring and her talented cast Karen Mc Pherson, Linda Monchik, Sandra Basile, Frank Scanzillo, Steve La Joie, and Fredrick Voss. Kudos to the fabulous production team, Cissy George, Lisa Zinck Taylor, Joe Taylor, Eric George, Lloyd George, Linda Stevens, Geralyn Moquin, and Vicki Marchant.

FULL BOARD MEETING: MAY 14, 7:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: JUNE 11, 7:00 P.M.