

“THESE SHINING LIVES” OFFERS AN ILLUMINATING PERFORMANCE

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You would have to see this wonderful local play to better understand the meaning of illuminating! Riverfront Playhouse, a small but comfortable theatre in Aurora, is currently presenting “These Shining Lives” from now until April 20th.

The story, based on the women that worked at the Radium Dial Company in Ottawa, IL in the 1920’s, reveals truths about how women were treated and were considered not only expendable, but used as pawns in the manufacturing business at that time. Four of these women discover that they have become quite ill from Radium, regardless that they were told it was safe. They share their thoughts, weaknesses, fears, and anger, along with a whirlwind of other emotions, as they strive to survive and eventually fight the worst of two battles... the company that killed them and their impending deaths.

Viewing the performance takes you back in time, but the actors do a fabulous job of bringing you into the characters’ hearts and homes. You’ll experience a roller coaster of emotions attending “These Shining Lives”. You’ll laugh a little at the beginning, become angry and disgusted as the show progresses, and eventually tear up or cry near the end, so bring tissues!

All of the actresses and actors in “These Shining Lives” undoubtedly spent a great deal of time preparing for this play, as they gave a flawless performance. BRAVO!

The show is directed by Kasandra Heseck and features Katie McClatchey as Catherine, Tiffany Jasinski as Charlotte, Capri Cutchin as Francis, Annalise Palatine as Pearl, Jamie Ewing as Tom (understudied by Isaiah Adams), Nathan Soesbe as Mr. Reed, Isaiah Adams as Leonard Grossman, and Katrina Plonczynski as Dr. Dalitsch.

Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$15 for students & seniors. Additional Discounts are available for Military, Local Police and Fire Department personnel. Reservations can be made by calling the box office at (630) 897-9496. Groups of 10 or more should call the Riverfront Playhouse directly.

Riverfront Playhouse is located at 11-13 S. Water St. Mall in Aurora, IL

