

## HOLIDAY HILARITY

By Candy Porter

Well, they are at it again! Our homespun thespian troupe is gearing up to present another madcap evening of holiday entertainment for residents' delight.

The Suncoast Players are privileged to study, once more, under the tutelage of the creative Nan Colton, performing-artist-in-residence at the St. Petersburg Museum of Fine Arts. Nan's guidance, as well as the actors' resounding enthusiasm, bode well for the Monday evening, December 10, production in the Quak Center of *It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Breakfast*.

This year's holiday performance is what is known in theater vernacular as a farce, a comedy that aims to entertain its audience through situations that are highly exaggerated, extravagant, and, thus,

improbable. So, given the fact that Suncoast Players is now comprised of 15 totally uninhibited souls, it is 100% guaranteed there will be quite a bit of farcical action and a lot of just plain ol' nonsense.

According to Nan, "There's not a serious moment in the whole show. And we all know that a good belly laugh is like enjoying a hot meal on a cold evening – It just makes everything so much better!"

Mistaken identity and preposterous stories are but two of the many zany, convoluted elements driving the plot. Add to that some hilarious, over-the-top characterizations, and what do you have? An evening of pure entertainment, of course. ■



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