

BCC CALLBOARD

The Newsletter of the Barnstable Comedy Club

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A TRUE TEST OF FRIENDSHIP, ART BY YASMINA REZA OPENS ON OUR 100TH YEAR OF THEATRE AT THE BCC

The Barnstable Comedy Club is proud to present its first full production run since **Driving Miss Daisy** in January of 2020. **Art**, written by Yasmina Reza and translated by Christopher Hampton, is a comedy/drama about three friends who work through their problems that arise after one of them buys a controversial painting. In a recent article in the Cape Cod Enterprise, Director Lance Norris describes the play as “hilarious, short, and the cast of very talented local actors has risen to challenges of the text.” He also notes that “the play challenges what three white men think of as funny, their concept of what is art and the nature of their friendship.”

The cast is made up of three veteran actors with extensive stage experience on Cape and beyond. Todd **Gosselin (Yvan)** has appeared in **Beauty and the Beast**, **Scrooge the Musical**, and most recently, **Arsenic and Old Lace**. Frank Hughes, Jr. (Serge) has appeared on various Cape Cod stages, most recently in **Arsenic and Old Lace** at the Cotuit Center for the Arts and **1940's Radio Hour** at the BCC. Patrick Preston (Marc) performed in **Blithe Spirit** at Falmouth Theatre Guild and a staged reading of **Lone Star Laundry and Bourbon** at The Cotuit Center for the Arts. He currently serves on the Board of Directors at Cape Cod Theatre Project in Truro. Victoria Smith (stage manager) is working for the first time backstage at the BCC, but has performed as an actor here in **Baggage** and **Games Afoot**. She also wears the hat of photographer for the production photos displayed in the lobby. Lance Norris (Director) has been directing for the stage since 1980 in theatres across America, Puerto Rico and The People's Republic of China. A veteran of over 20 years in morning radio in Boston (WBCN, WZLX), he has appeared in numerous films, television shows and stage productions, and can currently be seen in **Don't Look Up** on Netflix. This is his second production at BCC.

On the creative team for this production are Ann M. Ring, producer, publicity, poster, program, and sound operator, Dennis Marchant, set design and construction, Vicki Marchant, lighting operator, Martha Jason, scenic design, Linda Stevens, set painting and Box Office Coordinator, and Nancy Nyland Whiteley, Hospitality Coordinator.

Art opens on January 6, at 7:30 p.m. and continues Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. through January 23. Tickets are \$25, \$23 students and seniors, and may be reserved by calling the Box Office at 508-362-6333.

Proof of Covid-19 vaccination must be presented to attend. Face coverings must be worn during the performance.

WELCOME NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS!

The BCC is pleased to announce two new position posts on our Executive Board, Lloyd George as President, and Nancy Nyland Whiteley, as Vice President. Lloyd has served several years on our Full Board and has been a valuable volunteer, helping out wherever he can, particularly with our landscaping needs. His 'right hand' and long time friend Nancy also served on our Full Board and continues to serve as our hospitality coordinator. Most recently she helped coordinate the BCC's participation in the annual holiday village stroll. The BCC congratulates Lloyd and Nancy and wishes them the best of luck in their new roles. The BCC also welcomes new Full Board member Ann Marie Lang. Ann Marie has been a long time actor and make up artist for the BCC.

The Barnstable Comedy Club also would like to thank Marti Baker for her years of service on the Board as Vice President and President. She continues to serve on the Full Board and is looking forward to directing **Sandy Toes and Salty Kisses** in May. The BCC also thanks Paul Nielson, who is resigning from the Board to fully enjoy his retirement.

CAST ANNOUNCED FOR *PACK OF LIES*

Director James Ring has put together a talented group of regulars and newcomers of the BCC for the upcoming British drama, **Pack of Lies** by Hugh Whitemore. In the cast are Rick Martin as Bob Jackson, Miranda Daniloff Mancusi as Barbara Jackson, Alessandra Scibelli as Julie Jackson, Janet Geist Moore as Helen Kroger, Stuard M. Derrick as Peter Kroger, Robert Shire as Inspector Stewart, Kelly Rowan Kean as Thelma, and Missy Potash as Sally.

Pack of Lies will open March 3, and run Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. through March 20. More information on the production will be included in our March 2022 newsletter.

ARTS SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Barnstable Comedy Club will once again offer Cape Cod high school senior students the opportunity to apply for The Peter Eustace Scholarship. Interested seniors who plan to major in any of the creative arts may visit our website at www.barnstablecomedyclub.org to download an application form. Forms should be mailed to Scholarship Chair Sue Lindholm at 9 Bobolink Lane, Harwich, MA. 02645. Forms must be received by April 15, 2022.

FULL BOARD MEETING: JANUARY 11, AT 7:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE MEETING: FEBRUARY 8, AT 7:00 P.M.

***THE BCC WISHES ALL OF ITS VALUABLE PATRONS, MEMBERS,
AND VOLUNTEERS HAPPINESS AND HEALTH IN THE NEW
YEAR!***