

BCC CALLBOARD

The Newsletter of the Barnstable Comedy Club

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APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY LAUGHTER

Our successful Season concludes with the Neil Simon classic comedy, **Laughter on the 23rd Floor**, opening next month. Playwright Neil Simon got his first big break in the early '50s as a staff writer on Sid Caesar's fabled television series *Your Show of Shows*, and this comedy takes a fictionalized look at the backstage chaos that went into producing one of the landmarks of television's golden age.

Max Prince is the star of *The Max Prince Show*, a popular comedy-variety series that is a major hit on the East Coast, but network executive insists that it's too sophisticated for the Midwest, and urges Prince to dumb down his act. Between the tensions of producing an hour of top-quality comedy each week and being pestered about his ratings, Prince is beginning to unravel. His last line of defense against both the network and the ratings are his writing staff, which spends its days coming up with business for the show while hurling humorous invective at each other and anyone else within earshot.

The BCC welcomes Alex Lucchesi, who is making his directorial debut with this production. His cast is a talented mix of BCC veterans and newcomers: Kevin M. Little as Max Prince, Ian Rubinstein as Ira, Ian Kenneally as Lucas, Ricky Bourgeois as Val, Charles McDougal as Brian, Emma Miles as Carol, Madeline Little as Helen, Noah Jung as Kenny, and Brian Dudley as Milt. Susan Lockberg is stage manager.

Laughter on the 23rd Floor opens May 1 at 7:30 p.m. and continues on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. through May 18. Tickets are \$25, \$23 Students and Seniors 65+ and may be reserved online at www.barnstablecomedyclub.org or calling the box office at 508-362-6333. Note: material is PG 13 for language and adult situations.

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF WORLD CLASS ENTERTAINMENT WHILE SUPPORTING LOCAL ARTS!

The Barnstable Comedy Club and the Cape Cod Music Society / Cape Cod String Quartet proudly present **SECRET GARDEN – SPRING GALA 2025**, a fundraiser for necessary theater improvements and scholarship(s) for aspiring young musicians. The gala begins at 6:30 p.m. on May 30th, with hearty tastings of local food favorites along with time to socialize and meet new people. Experience the exquisite talent of internationally acclaimed musicians who bring brilliance to the Cape Cod music scene performing

Broadway and popular hits alongside some of the Barnstable Comedy Club's very own accomplished singers and actors. Formal attire is appreciated but not required. There will be a cash bar featuring wine and local beer favorites. Non-alcoholic beverages are included in the price of the tickets. Bid on a few select Silent Auction items, all with a local theme, to help support the cause.

Reserve your spot today before we sell out! There are 3 ticketing options. Reserved seats \$120 guarantee a seat with a perfect view for the performances. Standing Room Only \$90 allows you to continue to socialize, walk around and watch the performances from high top tables across the sides and backs of the theater. VIP Cabaret tables \$1,100 are located in the front row, come with 4 seats and many exclusive perks including a full-page advertisement in the program and on the BCC website. Reserved and Standing Room Only Tickets are available online at www.barnstablecomedyclub.org. To purchase VIP Cabaret Tables or if you're unable to purchase tickets online, contact Cissy George, the event coordinator, at 508-245-3398.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to donate to this cause, please go online to our website or contact Cissy George.

A FAVORITE THEATRE PROGRAM FOR YOUTHS RETURNS THIS SUMMER!

The BCC is excited to be hosting **The Cape Cod Kids on Broadway** musical theatre program again this summer. This year kids will all participate in writing their own show!

We will pick songs from favorite musicals to perform as part of our original story!

This will be a full-length production with sets, lights, makeup and costumes.

In addition to writing and performing, kids will help make sets, props and learn to be the backstage crew! Parents and grand parents of theatrical children and teens are encouraged to spread the word about this unique opportunity. The dates of the program are July 14 - August 4. For more information and online registration go to:

www.capecodkidsonbroadway.com.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

As we near the end of our 103rd Season, the BCC would like to warmly thank its volunteers for all the hard work they contributed to making it a success. Whether it was working on painting or constructing a set, running box office, greeting and waiting on our patrons at the door or concessions, or helping spread the word about our productions or membership, all of these things were vital and much appreciated. We could not have done it without YOU!

FULL BOARD MEETING: MAY 13 AT 6:30 P.M.
EXECUTIVE MEETING: JUNE 10 AT 6:30 P.M.