



The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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Editor's Column

I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The Prompter is back after a short Christmas break and is packed with information this month on our upcoming production, the production that was completed in Dec., a holiday party summary and the annual query for directors of shows.

I call attention to the show directing query. It is open to anyone, provided they either have a vast amount of prior theater experience or qualify based on performing specific duties at RCT (two of the following: producer, stage manager, assistant directing, directing a one act play). If you do not have the RCT qualifications, feel free to volunteer by sending in a statement of your prior experience along with the show you are requesting to direct in writing to Arnold Galin, agalin21@hotmail.com.

As always, if you have any comments on RCT, or any questions about things in this newsletter, feel free to contact me at jparker3531@twcny.rr.com.

John Parker, Prompter Editor



"Dr. Jeckyll, No Place To Hyde"

RCT completed subject show in December, some very light entertainment before the holidays. Director Arnold Galin and Producer Carol Brigandi facilitated some antics and timely quips which made the evening very enjoyable.

This show was adjudicated by Joan Luther, Theater Association of New York State (TANYS) who provided the following quote: "A farce by any other name is still a farce. Rome Community Theater's production of "Doctor Jeckyll No Place to Hyde" captures all of the elements of a farce. Doors slam, chasing abounds and all ends well. Beautifully costumed and technically well executed, this production will tickle your funny bone and offer you some surprises." Joan also selected the following for TANYS merit awards:

- Meritorious Achievement in Costuming to Cathy Frank, Karen Gill and Sharon Puma.
- Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Mark Hanna for his portrayal of Chives.
- Meritorious Achievement in Direction to Arnold Galin.

"Suite Surrender"

Buy Your Tickets Today!

RCT's next show of the season is a farce called "Suite Surrender". It's 1942, and two of Hollywood's biggest divas have descended upon the luxurious Palm Beach Royale Hotel. They arrive with their assistants, luggage, and legendary feud with one another in tow. Everything seems to be in order for their wartime performance...that is, until they are somehow assigned to the same suite. Mistaken identities, overblown egos, double entendres, and a lap dog named Mr. Boodles round out this hilarious riot. A tribute to the classic farces of the 30s and 40s. Cast in the show are Dug Bartell, Lorraine Goewey, Denise Morganti, Laurie Marshall, Melissa Brass-Maggio, Eric Almleaf, Brandon Severs, David Bunker and Kirstin Impicciatore. The show is directed by Adrian Maggio and produced by Jim Bintz. Performance dates are Feb. 11th - 13th at 730PM and Feb. 14th at 230PM. The RCT Box office opens for reservations on Feb. 4th by calling 337-5920 from 6-10PM or you can purchase a ticket today at www.romecommunitytheater.org. Hope to see all of you at the show!



RCT Call for Directors

RCT has announced its 2016-2017 season, and is accepting applications from Directors, interested in directing one of the season productions.

A Mystery Musical (Oct. 6-9 and 14-16 2016).

"Miracle on South Division Street" (Comedy) by Tom Dudzick (Dec. 8-11 2016).

"The Laramie Project" (Drama) by Moises Kaufman (Feb. 9-12 2017).

"Wait Until Dark" (Thriller) by Frederick Knott (April 6-9 2017).

"Rumors" (Comedy) by Neil Simon (June 8-11 2017).

If you are interested in directing any of the above productions please email your resume and indicate which production you wish to direct to Agalin21@hotmail.com by Feb. 29th. Copies of the show scripts can be made available upon request. Qualifications for directing are stated in the Editor's column. If you would like the name of the secret well-known musical, call John Parker at 337-3254 or email him at jparker3531@twcny.rr.com. Anyone proposing should bring a short presentation indicating their vision and budget for the show to the March 3rd board meeting at RCT at 730PM. Dates for the shows can be changed upon approval of the board.

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RCT Holiday Party

Thank you Barbara Seaton for organizing our annual holiday party on Dec. 27th. This year it was a variety show which featured the Rome Blues Brothers sharing their special talent with the audience and loaning their help and equipment to the show. The show also featured various acts produced by the RCT Youth which were very well organized and entertaining. Other acts consisted of singing to a guitar or a-capella, showing of a student generated short film, and story telling featuring the annual appearance of the famed Ivana. All in all there were 20 acts and some delicious snacks which contributed to a fun-filled afternoon.



RCT “American Hero”

As an extra production, not a part of its regular season, RCT presents in cooperation with Outcast Theater the very funny comedy “American Hero”. Cast in this production are Richard Stoodley, Linda LaPorte, Carrie Bostick and Thom Capozzella. Show dates are Feb. 25-27 at 730PM and Feb. 28 at 230PM. Directing this production will be Outcast’s Eileen Tiller-Clanton. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the RCT Web site.

RCT Quick News

- **Workshops:** RCT, in cooperation with Players of Utica, Ilion Little Theater and Eileen Tiller-Clanton are sponsoring 6 theater workshops on various topics. Workshop topics are in the following areas: Set Building, Costume and Makeup Design, Lighting Design, Stage Direction, PR & Marketing/Social Media, and Stage Management. Set Building, is April 2nd from 10AM-2PM at Players of Utica with a lunch break. Registration information and other details will be in future Prompters and on the RCT web site.
- **Auditions** for our next Production “Dreams” directed by Eric Almleaf will be Feb. 4th at 7PM and Feb. 7th at 2PM. Eric requires 5 men and 2 women for various roles. For information, he can be contacted at eea13501@yahoo.com or check the RCT web site.
- **Summer Children’s Production:** Anyone wishing to direct a Children’s production this summer must submit the title to bjseaton@usa.net by Feb. 29th and come to the March 3rd RCT board meeting with a budget and a plan.
- **RCT Web Site:** www.romecommunitytheater.org or try out our QR codes above.