



# The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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## President's Column

It's really happening! Rome Community Theater is heading back to the stage with live performances that encompass all facets of theater--a comedy (*Noises Off*), an evening of one act plays to be adjudicated for possible competition at the TANYs Festival (which will be held at RCT Nov. 20), an original play that explores the history of soldiers' recollections, a musical revue ("All Together Now") and a return to our regularly scheduled season in December.

Whew! We are busy and can certainly use YOUR help. There are many opportunities to volunteer in lots of different ways: backstage, on stage, ushering, house manager, etc. Please drop me a note if you're interested in any way ([bjseaton@usa.net](mailto:bjseaton@usa.net)) and we'll make sure you find the perfect niche for your skill set.

If you are not currently a member of the theater, now is the time to remedy that. We are working on providing some very special perks for your \$10 per person membership dues. Drop your check in the mail to PO Box 91, Rome, NY 13442.

There is still time to throw your hat into the director's ring for the 2021-2022 season of shows which are listed on the RCT web site. We are always looking to expand our list of qualified directors, assistant directors, stage managers and producers. Contact [bjseaton@usa.net](mailto:bjseaton@usa.net) for more information or to peruse the scripts chosen. Deadline is October 1.

Speaking of the upcoming season, watch your mail next month for season ticket information. Each show will be presented over two weekends (Friday & Saturday evenings and Sunday matinees) to give everyone more choices and opportunities to attend.

See you at the shows!

Barbara Seaton, RCT President 2021-2022



**Attention 2019-2020 RCT Season Ticket Holders.** If you haven't received a letter from RCT via USPS in the past two weeks containing complimentary tickets, please contact us at [rometheater@gmail.com](mailto:rometheater@gmail.com).

## Oct. 14-17 Live Theater Returns

RCT will present an Outcast International production of the hilarious farce *Noises Off* by Michael Frayn October 14-16 at 7:30pm and October 17 at 2:30pm.

Called the "funniest play ever written, *Noises Off* presents the madcap misadventures of a touring troupe of English actors, their biting sarcastic director, and their overworked stage management crew as they attempt to rehearse and perform a flop of a farce entitled "*Nothing On*". *Noises Off* features a play-within-a-play chaos, preposterous amounts of props, crazy characters, and slamming doors galore.

With director Thom Capozzella at the helm, *Noises Off* will welcome audiences back into the theater with laughter and fun. Eileen Tiller-Clanton, Outcast founder says "with *Noises Off*, we want people to simply laugh together, to join as a community to enjoy good theater that takes us out of the real world for just a little while."

The cast of *Noises Off* includes: Eric Almleaf, Anna Wise, Adrian Maggio, Eileen Tiller-Clanton, Vincent Cavo, Melissa Maggio, Daniel Burgess, Stephanie Mazloom, and Rick Signorelli.

Tickets to *Noises Off* are \$15 and available at the RCT box office beginning one half hour before curtain or at [www.outcasttheater.com](http://www.outcasttheater.com) and [www.romecommunitytheater.com](http://www.romecommunitytheater.com). RCT officials say COVID-19 protocol will require masks for all audience members and RCT volunteers who are in the same area as audience members. The performers and all volunteers working backstage have been vaccinated. The play is staged to assure that no on stage actor will be within twelve feet of the front row of the audience.

Outcast International was founded in Munich, Germany in 1996. After offering authentic, English-language entertainment to European audiences, Outcast established itself in Central New York. Outcast also continues to perform overseas, having brought two productions to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. *Noises Off* is Outcast's 18<sup>th</sup> US production and its 4<sup>th</sup> cooperation with the Rome Community Theater.

The production of *Noises Off* will mark RCT's first full length stage production since the COVID-19 pandemic mandated the theatre's closure after their Mar. 2020 production of *The Game's Afoot*.

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## Upcoming Events at RCT

- Like to shop? Another way to support Rome Community Theater and save money! Donate \$5 to RCT and get 25% off lowest ticketed price at Boscov's in store on Wednesday, October 20 from 8am -11pm! Send RCT a direct message, email, call us or see a member and we will get your shopping pass to you!
- Sept. 24-25: A **Sherlock Holmes Double Feature** movie in the RCT Parking Lot. \$10 per carload, 8PM.
- Oct. 1-2: A **Fright Night Double Feature** movie night featuring "Plan 9 From Outer Space" and "The Brain That Wouldn't Die". 8PM start time.
- Oct. 1: **Deadline for Director Submission**, see President's column. Submit to [agalin21@hotmail.com](mailto:agalin21@hotmail.com).
- **Auditions for the musical revue "All Together Now"**: October 2, 6-9 PM & October 4, 2-5 AND 6-9 PM. Prepare 16 bars of a Broadway tune that showcases your range, flexibility and style. Show dates are Nov. 12&13 7:30PM and Nov. 14 2:30PM. Tickets are \$15. Performers are sought from all over the area (Utica, Syracuse, Ilion, Watertown etc.).
- Oct. 22-23: **An Evening of One Act Plays**, live on-stage 7:30PM, \$10 per person. Always a good time!
- Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM and Oct. 30 at 2:30 RCT presents live on stage **"Soldiers' Story of War- 3 Conversations"**. Admission is \$10. Directed by Arnold Galin, story written and presented by Gary Ford.

## RCT Membership Meeting

All current members should plan to attend a meeting Oct. 25 at RCT at 7PM for some fun and fellowship.



## RCT Current COVID-19 Protocol

Keep in mind for all these events that all show behind-the-scenes personnel (ushers, house managers, concessions, sound, lights etc.) must be vaccinated and masked while inside RCT. Masks are required while not eating or drinking for all audience members while inside RCT. Performers will not be masked on-stage but performances are being staged to assure that no on stage actor will be within twelve feet of the front row of the audience.



## RCT Annual Trip to Turkey

Sunday November 7, 2021 at 3PM

At 4:15PM we all caravan to dinner at a mystery restaurant.

Menu: Turkey, stuffing, gravy, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, tossed salad, hot vegetable, pie, coffee/tea/soda.

You can eat in at the restaurant or ask for curbside pick-up.

Cost is \$21 per person. Money in hand to Ella Alsheimer by 10/30/21. Call her at 315-336-6540 today!