



CALLBOARD

Possum's

BABY

to be delivered on
September 19!



The Possums' dinner-theatre production of the awarding winning musical "Baby" will arrive at Possum Hall on September 19!! This funny and touching musical, with a book by Sybille Pearson and lyrics and music by Richard Maltby, Jr. and David Shire, tells the story of three couples of varying ages and the joys and complications that arise with having, wanting to have, or not wanting to have a baby.

I am delighted to bring this production to the Possums stage and want to thank Musical Director Melanie Bradley and Cast members Ashlie Workman, Peyton Lynch, Lindsey O'Day-Elliott, Anthony Natoli, Barbara Baltz-Logan, Don Megee, Pat Erhardt, Hope Larson, Claudius Bowden, Marsha Shull, Mike Helfrich, Cat Timko, Holly Giffin, and Kori Lewandowski for all of their hard work in bringing the show to fruition. A special shout-out to Liz Messick for filling in on keyboards at rehearsals when needed.

I am delighted to be giving some actors and actresses who have not had leading role opportunities a chance to strut their stuff. I'm sure you will be delighted, as well.

Dates are September 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, and 28. Curtain times are 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday with the scrumptious dinner served 1 ½ hours before.

For tickets, go to possumpointplayers.org.

Kenney Workman

Director

Calendar of Events

- Sept. 1 Ad Hoc Touring Co. 7 pm
Sept. 3 Artistic Comm. Mtg. 6:30 pm
Sept. 8 New Faces of Shakespeare 6:30 pm
Sept. 9 Dreamers United 7 pm
Sept. 15 Possum Juniors 6 pm - 8 pm
Sept. 19 - 20 **BABY**
Dinner ~ 6:00 pm Show ~ 7:30 pm
Sept. 21 **BABY**
Dinner ~ 12:30 Show ~ 2 pm
Sept. 21 AUDITIONS
Hollywood Holiday 5 pm
Sept. 22 Exec. Comm. Mtg. 5:30 pm
Sept. 22 AUDITIONS
Hollywood Holiday 7 pm
Sept. 26 - 27 **BABY**
Dinner ~ 6 pm Show ~ 7:30 pm
Sept. 28 **BABY**
Dinner ~ 12:30 Show ~ 2 pm
Oct. 1 Artistic Comm. Mtg. 6:30 pm
Oct. 6 Ad Hoc Touring Co. 7 pm
Oct. 13 New Faces of Shakespeare 6:30 pm
Oct. 14 Dreamers United 7 pm
Oct. 17 **TWELFTH NIGHT** 7:30 pm
Oct. 18 **TWELFTH NIGHT** 2 pm & 7:30 pm
Oct. 19 **TWELFTH NIGHT** 2 pm
Oct. 20 Possum Juniors 6 pm - 8 pm
Oct. 27 Exec. Comm. Mtg. 5:30 pm
Nov. 3 Ad Hoc Touring Co. 7 pm
Nov. 5 Artistic Comm. Mtg. 6:30 pm
Nov. 10 New Faces of Shakespeare 6:30 pm
Nov. 11 Dreamers United 7 pm
Nov. 17 Possum Juniors 6 pm - 8 pm
Nov. 24 Exec. Comm. Mtg. 5:30 pm
Nov. 27 Thanksgiving - PPP Office Closed

Possum Point Players

"Building Community Through The Arts"

About PPP's Dreamers United

A vision to bring greater diversity to their theater "family" at Possum Point Players came to life as Possum Point Players' Dreamers United in 2008. About a dozen interested individuals from the community engaged in the journey, and the name "Dreamers United" was chosen because just as Possum Point Players began with a dream, so did this subgroup.

DREAMERS TO PERFORM

Possum Point Player's affiliate group "Dreamers United" will be performing at this year's Art Crawl to be held on the Circle in Georgetown on Saturday, September 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Members of the group will be performing an African Dance which was previously presented during Possum Point Players' 2012 Black History Celebration.

The dance, choreographed by Sussex Tech student Summer Okye, will feature people of all ages and races working together.

Dreamers United is hoping that this presentation will bring more people to the Possum Point Players Theatre and introduce them to the wonderful world of the performing arts!

"... there is much craziness with mistaken identities."

HISTORIC GEORGETOWN ART CRAWL

Possum Point Players will be participating in this year's Historic Georgetown Art Crawl. In addition to having a display table, our affiliate group, Dreamers United will be presenting a live performance

The event will be held on Saturday, September 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Art Crawl is a rain or shine juried art event, and will feature artists and artisans. As well as art leagues and art guilds from throughout our region. The event will be held in conjunction with the Annual Farmer & Foodie Festival on The Circle, which celebrates local farmers and their farm fresh foods. Proceeds from the Georgetown Art Crawl will benefit local arts programming and arts education.

Georgetown's inaugural Art Crawl was a great success last year, with over 40 participating artists. As an arts organization, Possum Point Players will be permitted to set up free of charge.

PPP volunteers interested in manning our display for a two-hour shift should contact the office at 302-856-3460 or by email: office@possumpointplayers.org

NEW FACES OF SHAKESPEARE PRESENTS "TWELFTH NIGHT" OR "WHAT YOU WILL"

What happens when a ship wrecks off Coney Island, New York at the turn of the 20th century?

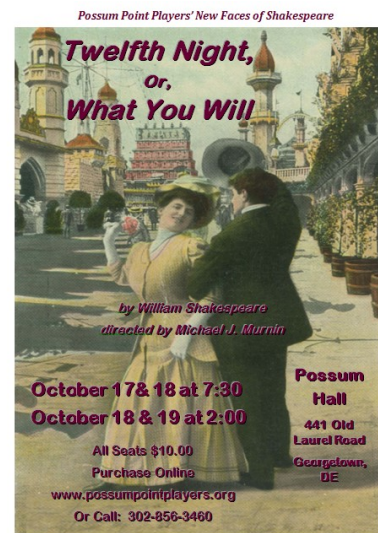
A pair of twins, female and male, are saved unbeknown to each other. The female, Viola, fears this imposing place and seeks safety by disguising herself as a man and seeks a job with the mayor, Mr. Tilyou. Tilyou, however, is incapacitated by the love sickness he has for the rich, Countess Olivia, who is mourning for 7 years at the death of both her father and her brother. Tilyou, who is so distraught, decides to send his new employee Cesario (Viola) to court the resistant Olivia. Ironically, Olivia becomes immediately smitten by this messenger and actively begins to try to charm him into a relationship. When Viola's lost twin brother, Sebastian, appears there is much craziness with mistaken identities.

The story of courtship and relationships is brilliantly presented in true Shakespearean fashion to a mostly happy ending, set in the "Electric Eden" of Victorian Coney Island.

New Faces of Shakespeare will present one of William Shakespeare's most beloved romantic comedies,

Twelfth Night* or *What You Will on October 17, 18 and 19 at Possum Hall.

For tickets, call the PPP box office at 302-856-3460 or online at www.possumpointplayers.org





The cast and crew of Possum Juniors' production of "The Jungle Book."

THE JUNGLE BOOK

Possum Point Players Juniors' production of *The Jungle Book* was a great success!

We started off with a bang on Wednesday morning, grateful for a full house of children and hoping that each night's audience would be just as spectacular. Much to our delight, audience attendance far surpassed our expectations!!

Our audiences seemed to truly appreciate the work of the cast and crew. This is quite understandable for, as a director, I couldn't have asked for a more hardworking and dedicated group of people.

I was blessed with a very talented and professional cast, as well as an outstanding crew. Marsha Shull, Doug Friend, and Logan Lynch helped make the show the success that it was.

Thank you to all who gave of their time and expertise.

Kori Lewandowski
Director

AD HOC PERFORMS AT CHAUTAUQUA



PPP's Ad Hoc Touring Company participated in this year's Chautauqua Tent Performances held in Lewes, Delaware, June 15-19. The group performed two Old Time Radio shows highlighting the Festival's Civil War theme.

The Ad Hoc Reading Group meets at Possum Hall on the first Monday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. The public is invited and all

attendants may take part in the readings, giving everyone the opportunity to "strut their stuff!"

For further information, please contact Roger Ault at 302-226-1118.

AMAZON SMILE

Each time a customer makes a purchase through Amazon.com, the company will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to Possum Point Players. Simply selected PPP as your charity of choice at checkout.

There is no cap on the amount Amazon will donate and almost every physical product sold by the company is eligible, which means tens of millions of items.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

If you love and appreciate great theater, you may want to consider becoming a Possum Point Players volunteer!

As a non-profit community theater, volunteerism is the very lifeblood of our existence!

We have volunteer jobs available for everyone!! No experience necessary!!!!

Interested?
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PPP SUMMER THEATRE CAMPS A HUGE SUCCESS!

More than 60 budding young actors participated in PPP's 2014 summer camps where they learned the fundamentals of performing, such as projection, enunciation, movement techniques, character development and script analysis. They experience true personal development by participating in exercises and games intended to teach them how to navigate the stage while performing.

The Theatre Academy, held July 21-25, is designed for campers in grades 5 - 10, and the Drama Camp, held August 4-8, is designed for campers in grades 2-5.

On the Monday of each camp week, the counselors hold "auditions" to evaluate the readiness of each camper and write a script based on a theme chosen each year. The counselors teach the campers how to read and audition with a script. In this process, the campers learn how to audition for any show in the future that interests them. The scripts are delivered on Tuesday and the campers rehearse, memorize and create their characters.

Campers also learn a song and a dance. They are coached and choreographed for a week on a regular schedule - similar to one they would have if they were in a show. During this process, campers learn how to sing on pitch, song phrasing, and how to sing with others. In both the song and the dance, they learn musical timing, rhythm and expression.

Then their plays, song and dance are organized into a final Friday performance for friends and family.

The counselors learn many things too, how to organize a group, hold an audition, choreograph, coach, problem-solve and to be a leader.

They also gather costume pieces, props and work various technical



Drama Campers perform for family and friends.

aspects needed for the final performance. For the younger campers, the counselors are high school-aged. The older campers get college-aged counselors. They are all led by the camp director. Regular meetings are held to discuss and plan what is needed each day. Collaboration is key.

The theatre and drama camps at Possum Point Players provide a solid, safe and enjoyable educational opportunity for many Sussex County youth. The value is evident in the many successful former campers who are now college aged and beyond who exhibit a true love for theatre in many ways - performing, directing, attending shows and sharing stories of how they learned so much from Possum's camp when they were young. Possum Point theatre and drama camps provide an invaluable service to the Sussex County community.

When asked how they felt about their PPP camp experience, one camper said, "I liked learning new songs and the play. It was a little hard to learn, but we did it and it was fun!!!!!!!" Another camper responded, "I've had a great time this week, and I hope to come back."

Possum Point Players hope to continue this tradition for many years to come!

Linda Killion
Camp Director

OUTRAGEOUS COMEDY WAS AN AUDIENCE HIT!

PPP started the summer off with a bang and a belly laugh. ***See How They Run*** left audiences dashing from the theatre holding their sides in pain from laughing. The comments from our patrons say it all:

"Great Show! Laughed and Laughed!"

"Loved it!"

"Funniest that I've seen here."

"Kudos to another great PPP show."

"Very funny and enjoyable."

"Thoroughly enjoyable, have not laughed like that in a long time. Great stress relief."

Michael Murnin
Director



The cast of *See How They Run* take their final curtain call.

"We are looking for a strong, diverse ensemble, who can also 'represent' the stars of the era."

HOLIDAY SEASON CLOSER

"Hollywood Holiday" is an exciting, original Possum show for December, 2014! Imagine a behind-the-scenes and on-stage look at Ed Sullivan's first (and fictitious) live 1960s TV Christmas Special on the west coast, co-hosted by Phyllis Diller, and featuring a whole stocking-full of celebrities from that era like, *but not limited to*, The Rat Pack, The Temptations, The Supremes, Elvis, Loretta Lynne, Sonny and Cher, Glenn Campbell, Minnie Pearl, Jack Benny, Goldie Hawn, and more!

All ages welcome, both singing and non-singing roles!

Production Staff includes:

Writer-Director Donna de Kuyper,
Assistant Director Jim Hartzell,
Choreographer Deni Robinson,
with a terrific On-Stage Band led by Barry Eli.

Auditions are Sunday, Sept. 20 at 5 p.m. and Monday, Sept 21 at 7 p.m.

The lovely Melanie Bradley will be playing for auditions. You may also bring your own CD accompaniment. Please prepare a 1960's era song or standard holiday song of your choice. You may be asked to read from the script.

We are looking for a strong, diverse ensemble, who can also "represent" the stars of the era. *They need not be exact impersonations!*

(If you would like to audition but cannot make the dates above, and/or have any questions, please contact Donna at [302-228-1768](tel:302-228-1768), donnadek@comcast.net or PM her on Facebook.)

Donna de Kuyper
Director



Auditions will be held
Sunday, Sept. 21 at 5 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 22 at 7 p.m.

Multi-generational and multi-ethnic cast required.

POSSUM POINT PLAYERS

The Possum Point Players (PPP) was formed "to contribute to the cultural diversity and vitality of Sussex County, Delaware by bringing the experience of live theater for education and visitors alike." Our non-profit community theater group has achieved this goal annually since April of 1973 and has earned a reputation for bringing to the stage productions that have been consistently well received by critics and the community.

We can't do it without you! To keep our theater moving forward, we need your support. Renew your membership, or join us for the first time.

For further information, contact us at office@possumpointplayers.org or check out our web site at www.possumpointplayers.org.

Join our theater family!

OUR 2015 SEASON

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