Bleacher Bums

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THE ORGANIC THEATRE COMPANY

MAY 13-15 2010, 7:30 PM
TICKETS $9.00 STUDENTS/SENIORS, $15.00 ADULTS.

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Greenville Performing Arts Center

A Night of One Act Plays

FEATURING

The Actor’s Nightmare
By
Christopher Durang

AND

Drive-In
By
Richard Hellesen

FEBRUARY 25-27, 7:30 PM
Greenville Performing Arts Center
Upcoming Events

2/27  8:00 AM  Winterfest
3/2   7:00 PM  GMS Choir
3/3   7:30 PM  GHS Choir
3/6   8:00 PM  Grand Rapids Symphony
3/24  7:30 PM  Collage Performance
3/25  7:30 PM  Collage Performance
4/14  6:30 PM  Lincoln Heights Spring Concert
4/15  6:30 PM  Walnut Hills Spring Concert
4/20  6:30 PM  Baldwin Heights Spring Concert
4/21  6:30 PM  Cedar Crest Spring Concert
5/13  7:30 PM  Bleacher Bums
5/14  7:30 PM  Bleacher Bums
5/15  7:30 PM  Bleacher Bums
5/18  7:30 PM  GHS Band/Orchestra Concert
5/19  7:00 PM  GMS Choir Concert
5/20  6 & 8 PM  GHS Choir Concert
5/22  6:00 PM  FRDC Dance Show
5/25  7:00 PM  GHS/GMS Jazz Band
5/26  7:00 PM  GMS Orchestra
5/27  6:30 PM  GMS Band Concert
6/12  TBA   Miss Dee School of Dance Recital

The Actor’s Nightmare
By
Christopher Durang
Actor’s Nightmare is presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York.

Drive-in
By
Richard Hellesen
Drive-in is presented by special arrangement with Baker’s Plays, Hollywood, CA
“From a Certain Point of View…”

The show you are about to see is not “War at Home.” Let’s get that out of the way first. This year’s One Act is different than previous years in many, many ways. 2010 was going to be a dramatic year for the MIFA One Act Festival and we were primed to go with a great title for our students. The Chinese have an interesting curse, which is “May you live in interesting times.” And November and December certainly were for the Theatre Department, as we had to deal with some of the budget issues that have been mandated by the State. As a result, GHS had to pass on participating in this year’s One Act Festival; but as Cubs Fans know, there is always next season.

When we received the approval to do something different, we came up with the concept of a Night of One Act Plays. The productions you are about to see were selected based on the tight timeline for production of this show, and the necessary budget constraints. The end result for the GHS Cast & Crew was to work within a very specific parameter, and they have succeeded wonderfully. To offset all of the tragedy of the normal One Act Season, we also went with two comedies to lighten the load.

Christopher Durang’s “The Actor’s Nightmare” is a piece of absurdist comedy that plays on many clichés of the theatre world. See if you can keep track of the number of plays, playwrights, and shows that are being riffed on in Durang’s seminal comedy about what it means to be an actor and be onstage.

Off we go to “The Drive-In” for a very different slice of life after intermission. It’s a story most of us will recognize whether you have been to one of those icons of the movies or not. The ongoing drama of what to do Friday Night has been with the American teen in some form like this for about 50 years.

The casts of both shows have had a lot of fun and laughs working on these two shows, and I think it really comes out in their performances. Especially pay attention to Garrett Taylor’s hard work. His dialog with its extemporaneous nature was very difficult to memorize.

Also of note, you will notice the presence of the GHS Theatre Boosters. Boosters have been in discussion for some time, and the hard times the State has found itself in has been needed for parents and community members to step forward and show their support for their kids and this program. Make sure you take some time during intermission or after the show to talk to our Booster Representatives to see how you can help to insure that GHS can return to One Act Festival, and let our kids shine.

Next up, we head to the bleachers of Wrigley Field in May. Be sure to come back and join us as we close out the 2009-2010 Season with “Bleacher Bums” in May. It all takes place when the Cardinals come to town, and the loyal Cubs fan struggle through another nine-innings of cheers, jeers, laughs, and tears. Join the Bleacher Bums for a great night of laughs.

Chris Chapman
Director

Thank you for the assistance.
NCG Theater
Mrs. Kelli Tammine – Garrett Taylor’s Costume
Theatricks of Grand Rapids, MI – Jake Loomis’s Costume
Courtney DeSpelder, Nicole Sly & Katie Wall

THANK YOU TO OUR THEATRE PARTONS!!

EL RANCHO
CARLTON AND MARY FERGUSON

GREENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE BOOSTERS

Visit us in the lobby to see how you can help.

Break a Leg

Jake,
We love you JPTFW!  
Break a leg!
Love, Dad, Mom, Chelsea & Jared
CAST

Actor’s Nightmare
(in order of appearance)

George                      Garrett Taylor*
Meg                          Elizabeth Long
Sarah                       Amanda Stowitts
Ellen                       Mary Wilhelm
Henry                       Jake Loomis*
Understudy                  Taylor Hedrick

Drive-in
(in order of appearance)

Boy                         Sam Prosseer
Girl                        Emily Smith
Barb                        Kara Thomas
Laurie                      Meagan Draper
Jim                         Jake Loomis*
Chuck                       Nick Cooper
Rob                         Jordan Smith

* Member of ITS Troop 6024

CREW

Stage Manager for “Actor’s Nightmare”  Meredith Woodward*

Stage Manager for “Drive-in”  Zach Ensing*

Technical Crew  Jeff Barnhard, Brittany Bassett, Mercedes Gonzales, Andrew Geer, Joshua Hodges, Alex Howard, Lauren Moss, Samuel Moss, Amy Myers, Dale Talmage

Sound  Matt Wilhelm

Costume & Makeup  Sophie Carpenter, Sarah Clark*, Dezirae Lincoln, Theresa Moore, Gia Tammone*, Mrs. Kelly Tammone

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ADULT STAFF

Director  Chris Chapman
Assistant Technical Director  Daniel Hanson
Costume  Cheryl Willard
Makeup  Linda Custer
Production Coordinator  Cheryl Willard
**GREENVILLE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

Collage Concert

March 24 & 25, 2010, 7:30 PM

Tickets $3.00 Students/Seniors, $5.00 Adults

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GRAND RAPIDS SYMPHONY

David Lockington, Music Director

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March 6, 8 pm

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Latin Rhythms

features pianist Aviram Reichert
performing

Night in the Gardens of Spain

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$5

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