

North Fork Community Theatre

January 2017

12700 Sound Avenue, PO Box 86 Mattituck, NY 11952

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January 6, 7 and 8

January 20-February 5

January 22 and 23

Annual Variety Show

Almost, Maine

Auditions for *Female of the Species*

(All events held at the theater unless otherwise noted.)

President's Message

Dear NFCT Friends,

Happy 2017! Wait, didn't I just wish you all a Happy 2016? Where did the year go? I must have missed it in all the activity happening at the NFCT. Looking back on the year, I realized that we had an entire year of new shows on the NFCT stage. Isn't it wonderful to have so many new pieces of theater to experience on the North Fork? We even changed up our holiday show to bring you *A Christmas Carol* this year, which I hope you all got a chance to see.

Please come join us for the Variety Show Jan. 6-8. Not only will it be an opportunity to see the wide assortment of talent our community has to offer, but it also raises money for our scholarship fund. Did you know that last year's Variety Show raised enough money to fund an extra scholarship? Every dollar we raise at this event goes right back to our youth, and I will gladly take on the burden of finding eligible high school seniors to receive additional scholarships if you want to make this a record-breaking year!

Jan. 20 brings the opening of *Almost, Maine*. Get your tickets now for this comedy that will surely warm your heart this winter. Better still, you can get a subscription for all remaining shows this season for only \$80. What a bargain!

Looking forward to another great year!

Liz Liszanckie

Don't miss the 2017 Variety Show! Performances will be held at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6 and 7, and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8. This year's acts include songs, dance, magic, classical music and comedy. All Variety Show proceeds go to the NFCT scholarship fund for local high school seniors. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

***Almost, Maine* opens Jan. 20!** Come see Tamara Flannel, Sheila Griffin, John Lovett and Colin Palmer in a play that explores life, love and loss in an "almost-town" called Almost, Maine. It's just the thing to brighten up your winter. Robert Horne directs and Dee Andes is producer. Performances are set for Friday-Sundays, Jan. 20-Feb. 5. Go to nfct.com for information and tickets or call 631-298-6328.

Auditions for *The Female of the Species* by Joanna Murray-Smith are set for 7 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Jan. 22 and 23. Callbacks will be held Wednesday, Jan. 25. The production opens March 17 and runs for three weekends. The play is a comedy/satire about author Margot Mason, a fearless pioneer of the Women's Liberation movement in the 1970s, but now is suffering from writer's block. She's suddenly confronted by Molly

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Rivers, student, idealist and daughter of Margot's most dedicated followers, who handcuffs her to the desk and pulls a gun. Auditions will be from the script. Sides can be found at our website: www.nfct.com. Call director Bob Kaplan at 631-929-3042 or 631-793-6722.

The playreading committee, led by vice president David Markel, has been busy reading submissions for the 2017-2018 season! Here are the shows that have been proposed to date: **Musicals** – *Next to Normal, You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, The Producers, Hairspray, Assassins, Young Frankenstein, Oliver, State Fair, Applause, On the 20th Century, Big Fish, Bridges of Madison County, A Catered Affair, Forever Plaid, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, The Goodbye Girl, Grey Gardens, The Music Man, Paint Your Wagon, The Secret Garden, The Threepenny Opera, Hairspray, Lucky Stiff, A Man of No Importance, Captain Kidd and Oh, What a Lovely War.* **Plays** – *Leading Ladies, The 39 Steps, Becky Shaw, The Vietnamization of New Jersey, Inherit the Wind, Our Town, You Can't Take It With You, It's Only a Play, Outside Mulligan and Journey's End.*

Please support the NFCT Renovation Campaign! Your donations help us continue the renovations to our beloved building. We are now designing major improvements to the interior, working with theater architects and local contractors to determine costs and decide what we will be able to include in the first phase of the interior renovations. We appreciate your ongoing help in making the NFCT a unique and welcoming place in our community. To donate, go to nfct.com (click on Support) or contact campaign chair Mary Motto Kalich at 917-334-6639 or campaign@nfct.com.

Voice lessons, anyone? Brandon Hollborn, a former Youth on Stage performer, will offer a four-week series of voice lessons on Saturdays, Jan. 21 and 28 and Feb. 4 and 11, from 11a.m. to noon. The fee for each class is \$10. A description: Through a classical approach, you will learn how to add power and technique to your voice through a deeper understanding of how the body works in sync to produce glorious music. The classes are broken up into four easy-to-understand lessons and will cover breath support, tension release and resonance placement. The final class is performance based, giving students a chance to show off what they have learned throughout the process. Please have a song ready that you would like to work on (please, no rap songs). You do not have to attend all four classes, but it is highly recommended you complete the sequence to receive the full benefit of the series. Call Brandon at 631-655-7878 if you're interested.

The Mattituck-Laurel Civic Association will host the "premiere" of its video about the intersection of Love Lane, Main Road and Old Sound Avenue on Thursday, Feb. 2, at NFCT. There are several proposals that members feel could improve traffic safety there.

The scholarship committee has formed for the 2016-17 school year. Committee members are Babette Cornine, Jessica Elwood, Anne Gilvarry and Liz Liszanckie. Application forms will be distributed to the schools this month. Scholarships will be awarded at graduations in June.

Our driveway has been repaved! Work by South Fork Asphalt has been completed on a newly repaved driveway and it looks great. This will be a great help in case this winter turns out to be snowy.

Subscriptions are on sale! If you act now, you can get a subscription for the remainder of our 2016-17 season for \$80. You save \$10! Go to nfct.com under Tickets or contact Mary Motto Kalich at 917-334-6639 or campaign@nfct.com.



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