

StageNOTES

LTVB presents a comical look behind the curtain with *It's Only a Play*

This is a very naughty, naughty play. Not because of the language, but because it forces you to look at something most theater people avoid. A sort of look behind the curtain after the show. A rock unturned. You'll find something that most playgoers never see. The emotions after a show opens. It's a vulnerable inside view of what happens when you've done your best, but not everyone thinks so.

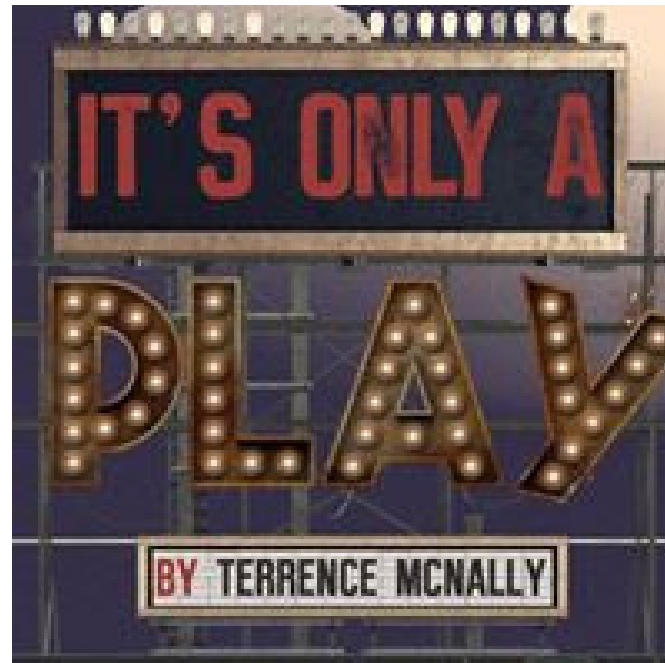
This is a play about a play. Original idea. Unheard of. This one is different though. It addresses the elephant in the room. A play about a review of a play. It's dangerous to think about critics, let alone have a comedy that stares directly at them.

This play is a true definition of life imitating art. There is nothing funny about an opening night of a show. Ask anyone who has done one.

Terrence McNally has written a show that is a Valentine to the theater and the people who put themselves through it. Part of the fun is that the show takes shots at real theater people. It matches wit with playwrights like Ken Ludwig and Michael Frayn who have written shows about what happens backstage in the theater. This tells the story of the narcissism that happens even after the actors leave the backstage.

It's Only A Play is so carefully structured that no one is competing for a laugh or elbowing each other out of the way. They all have their moment. I have seven incredible actors who each bring a unique style of comedy to the table. The greatest humor comes from the greatest truth. *It's Only A Play* is the greatest representation.

JAMES BRYAN
DIRECTOR



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LGBT NIGHT

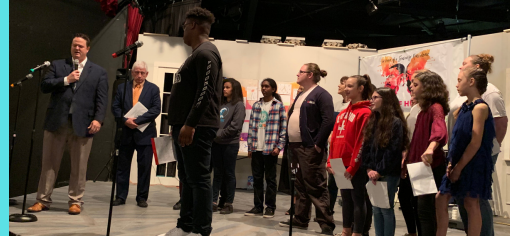
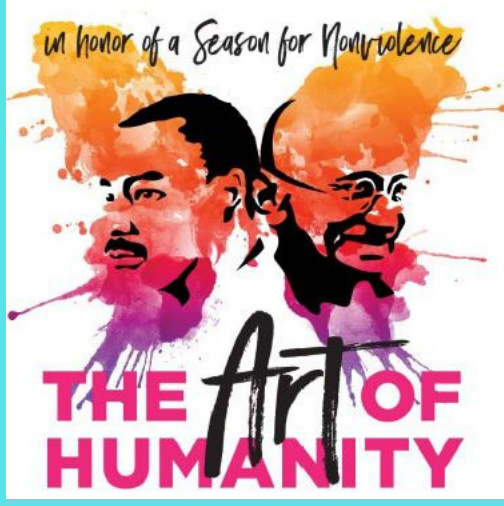
SEASON ANNOUNCEMENT

COMMUNITY PRODUCTIONS

\$ 13

Opening Weekend All Seats

\$ 13



On April 13th LTVB, in partnership with the ViBe Creative District hosted the Second Annual Art of Humanity: In Honor of the Season for Non-Violence event at the Little Theatre of Virginia Beach. The family-friendly, community event honored the Season of Nonviolence with a community celebration and new mural painting by local artist Jared O'Flaherty, owner of O'Crylics. Mayor Robert M. "Bobby" Dyer and Dr. Aaron Spence, Superintendent of Virginia Beach City Public Schools, opened the event with the reading of a proclamation. The Art of Humanity underscores how the arts serve as the centerpiece to the fabric of our society; an unmatched component to the very health of our neighborhoods, towns and cities that offers a gateway to new worlds of experience, emotion and knowledge. The hope is that through these insights, we can create innovative solutions to societal issues and try to make the world a better place, one community at a time.



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O'crylics is a custom acrylic painting company that was founded with the sole purpose of spreading more art around the 757 community and abroad. The intention has always been to create meaningful pieces of art that would be cherished by those who added them to their own personal art collections.

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ANNOUNCING OUR 2019 SUMMER SHOW!

MONTY PYTHON'S SPAMALOT

BOOK AND LYRICS
ERIC IDLE

MUSIC
JOHN DU PREZ

JULY 19 - AUGUST 11, 2019

LE YACA

French Restaurant

LTVB is proud to announce our partnership with Le Yaca during our production of *It's Only a Play*.

Please visit Le Yaca for a specially priced Prix Fixe menu which will be offered on show dates of *It's Only a Play*. **Reservation required**

5:00 to 5:45 Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings

12:00 to 12:45 on Sunday afternoon

IT'S ONLY A PLAY

LGBT NIGHT!!!

Friday May 24, 2019

Join us for friendship, laughs and, of course, cocktails!

All are welcome to attend

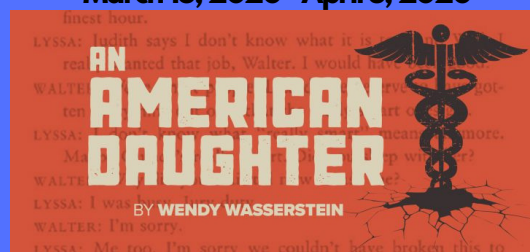
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The Beach's Playhouse since 1948

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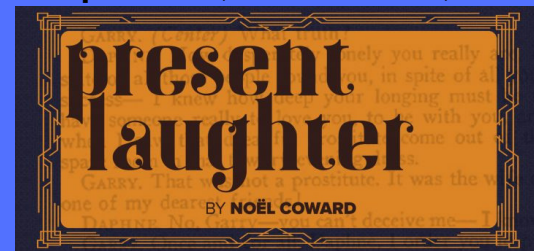
November 15, 2019 - December 8, 2019



March 13, 2020 - April 5, 2020



September 13, 2019 - October 6, 2019



January 17, 2020 - February 9, 2020



May 15, 2020 - June 7, 2020



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The Beach's Playhouse since 1948

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The Little
Theatre of Norfolk

Little Shop of Horrors
May 24 - June 16, 2019



Chess
June 21 - July 14, 2019*
**Dates subject to change.*

**Peninsula Community
Theatre**

The Nerd
May 3 - May 19 2019