



# StageNOTES

## Another Sondheim show?

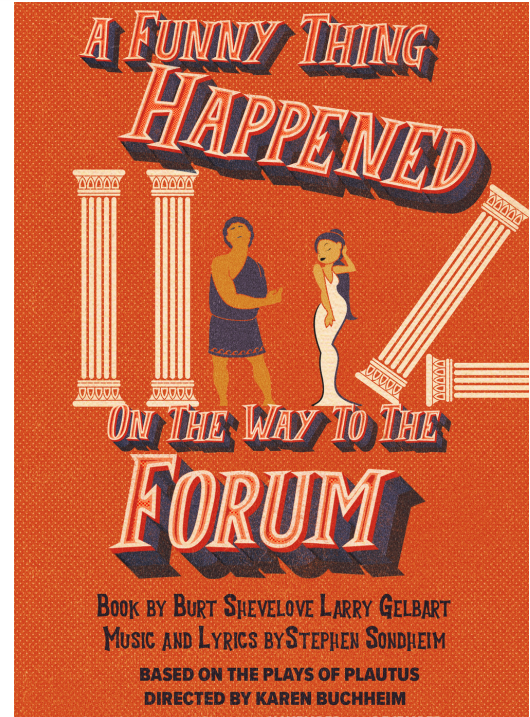
Stephen Sondheim (born 1930), began his career as a lyricist with the 1957 production of *West Side Story* in collaboration with Leonard Bernstein and the 1959 production of *Gypsy* in collaboration with Jule Styne.

Beginning with *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, he has been both composer and lyricist for 16 major shows. He has won eight Tony Awards (including a Lifetime Achievement Award), four Laurence Olivier Awards, eight Drama Desk Awards, one OBIE Award, eight Grammy Awards, one Academy Award and a Pulitzer Prize in Drama. Initially his style was different from that of the established musical theater tradition. His music has been described as complex, having shifting rhythms and asymmetrical melodies. Singers and Musical Directors have been heard to grumble and growl when learning the score, but always seem satisfied and proud to present the finished project.

I feel very fortunate to have worked as Director and/or Choreographer or performer on seven "Sondheim" musicals, one of them twice. I am very pleased to share this production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, featuring an especially talented cast and production team, not only for the challenges in preparation but for the pleasure our audiences seem to find at the performance.

Another Sondheim show? YES!!!

Karen Buchheim, Director



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*Auditions!*

**November 4th and 5th at 6:30pm**

at Virginia MOCA

220 Parks Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

VISIT [WWW.LTVB.COM](http://WWW.LTVB.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION

**\$ 15 Opening Weekend All Seats \$ 15**

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## VOLUNTEERING IS AN ART

LTVB's annual bash to honor our volunteers turned into an art fest on August 25th when the community joined the celebration. Instead of the rain that was threatening that day, there was sun and a cool breeze as our friends at the Oceanfront Library, VB Parks and Recreation, Vibe Creative District, Museum of Contemporary Art, Children for Change and Teens with a Purpose joined the celebration.

Everyone was treated to popcorn, snow cones and Yolees Gdawgs as they completed the Art of Humanity Mural by dipping their hands in either gold, purple or pink paint and then placing them on the bottom of the mural. Over 70 volunteers then entered the theatre for a program that focused on our amazing helpers who contributed over 200 hours each production, to produce LTVB's five shows plus our sold out summer extravaganza *Spamalot*. There were Board and other volunteer introductions, entertainment from our upcoming season plus a host of doorprizes thanks to our generous friends in the neighborhood -- Baker's Crust, Biladi's, Hunt Club Farms, Museum of Contemporary Art, No Frills Grill, Savor the Olive, Thai Arroy, Beach Bully, Chrysler Museum, Wells Theatre, Zeiders and several anonymous donations.



Highlighting the afternoon was the presentation of our VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD to Lisa Bobotas for her outstanding costumes and Jessica Benner for her work on the stage and behind the scenes. Last year our volunteer of the year wasn't able to attend the party. This year, we didn't take any chances and asked Lisa and Jessica to be there and share on what volunteering meant to them. They both beamed with their love of LTVB and the lasting relationships they formed.

*A special hats off to each and every volunteer and to our friends who graciously rewarded them with gifts.*



# SEASON PASSES STILL AVAILABLE!



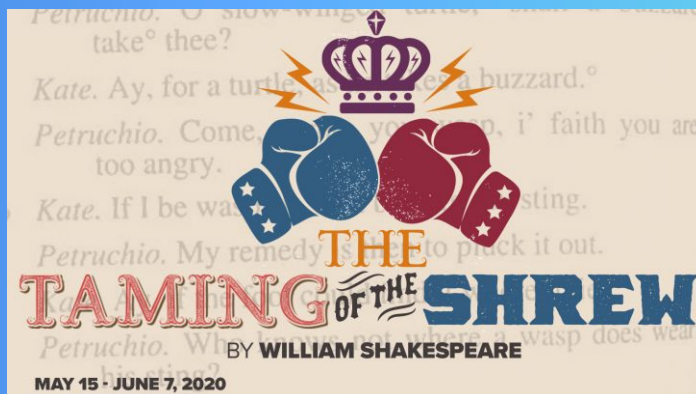
November 15, 2019 - December 8, 2019



January 17, 2020 - February 9, 2020



March 13, 2020 - April 5, 2020



May 15, 2020 - June 7, 2020

Remember to get your SEASON PASSES! It's a great deal--5 passes for LTVB and passes to LTN, PCT, and MOCA!

Please Note: Season Passes are available for purchase now through December 2019.

Have questions? We are here to help.

Contact us at [membership@ltvb.com](mailto:membership@ltvb.com) or call our box office voicemail 757-428-9233

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## SPOTLIGHT SERIES

Visit [LTVB.com](http://LTVB.com) for details

If you enjoyed Christopher Peterson's EYECONS, then please join us for the first show in our 2019-2020 Series:

BECKY LIVAS  
Winter Magic

December 28th at 7PM  
December 29th at 1PM

Tickets include Pre Show Cocktails  
and a Post Show Meet and Greet

SAVE THE DATE

Pamela Stanley: February 21 & 22, 2020

# Little Theatre of VIRGINIA BEACH

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**We are getting closer to re-paving our parking lot, BUT we are not there yet! We are still trying to raise money to accomplish this large project. If you can help, donate now!**

## The Little Theatre of Norfolk

### *One Slight Hitch*

Nov. 1 - Nov. 24, 2019

### *Peter and the Starcatcher*

Jan. 10 - Feb. 2, 2020

### *A Piece of My Heart*

March 6 - March 29, 2020

### *A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder*

May 15 - June 7, 2020



### *Detroit '67*

Oct. 23 - Nov. 10, 2019

### *A Christmas Carol*

Nov. 29 - Dec 22, 2019

### *Santa Land Diaries*

Dec 12 - Dec 21, 2019

### *Sense and Sensibility*

Jan. 22 - Feb. 9, 2020

### *The Legend of Georgia McBride*

March 4 - March 22, 2020

## Peninsula Community Theatre

### *The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge*

Dec. 6 - Dec. 22, 2019

### *Rock of Ages*

Feb. 28 - March 15, 2020

### *Indoor / Outdoor*

May 1 - May 17, 2020