

Green Room Gazette

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NOW PLAYING: NOISES OFF By Michael Frayn Directed by Jeanna Vickery January 21—February 5, 2022

AUDITIONS: GOD OF CARNAGE BY YASMINA REZA DIRECTED BY BRADLEY CAMPBELL Sat., & Sun. Feb.19 & 20, 2022 2:00—4:00 pm at BLT

Auditions will be cold reading from the script

NEXT UP: THESE SHINING LIVES By Melanie Marnich Directed by Sarah Wright March 11—26, 2022

MEMBERSHIP MEETING Monday, January 17, 2022

7:00 PM

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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello All,

Greetings from the Green Room at Boise Little Theater! As I sit here typing by the soft glow of the Coke machine, I ponder what our future holds. Last year, our membership passed a change in the by-laws to require BLT members to fulfill a service requirement in order to be able to vote in elections and to serve on the Board of Directors for Boise Little Theater. This requirement was designed to allow the people who are actively serving, to be the ones to determine the makeup of the theater leadership. Service can include being cast in a show, helping with set build/strike, being part of a production team or tech team, serving on a committee, ushering a performance, and attending a general business meeting, to name a few possibilities. I bring this up again to remind you of the upcoming general business meeting this Monday. This may be your last opportunity to get your second service credit, so you can be

nominated to be on the board or vote in the upcoming election. Let your voice be heard!

Matilda the Musical was a great success and saw many new faces in our theater, both on stage and in the house. I want to give a special shout out to Director Patti Finley and her cast and crew. Thank you, so much! We had sellout crowds to almost every performance. WOW!



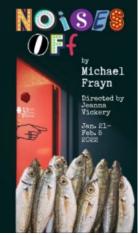
Not only was Matilda a great show, it also featured our new, full bar service from Jo's Trav-

elling Bar. Did you know that some of the proceeds from those drinks go right back to BLT? So, drink up! Non-alcoholic beverages also benefit the theater, so everyone can help. And did you notice that cookies are back? Proceeds from those donations go to our scholarship funds, which aid in sending students who have volunteered with BLT on to higher education.

Just like our last couple of general business meetings, we will be entertained with a scene from our upcoming production of "Noises Off" by Michael Frayn, directed by Jeanna Vickery. It has been over 20 years since "Noises Off" was last on our stage and it is shaping up to be quite the production. Your head will spin...

That's all for now. I have to go study my lines...Take care and stay safe! Darin

"NOISES OFF" STARTS THE NEW YEAR OFF WITH LAUGHTER!



Director Jeanna Vickery and her cast have been rehearsing for our first show of 2022 all during the holiday season, and it will surely start the New Year off with laughs galore! The cast includes: Patti O'Hara as Dorry Otley, Darin Vickery as Lloyd Dallas, Rob Love as Garry Lejeune, Jake Atkinson as Frederick Fellows, Katie Shuter Rompala as Belinda Blair, Shannon Peterson as Brooke Ashton, Heather Lyon as Poppy Norton-Taylor, Paul Jefferies as Selsdon Mowbray, and Cameron Uli as Tim Algood.

A cult classic called "the funniest farce ever written!" *Noises Off* is a manic merry-goround of actors rehearsing a British bedroom farce, a flop called Nothing's On, complete with door slamming, intrigue on and offstage, and an errant herring. The New York Times calls it, "The most dexterously realized comedy ever about putting on a comedy. A spectacularly funny, peerless backstage farce. This dizzy, well-known romp is a festival of delirium." So start the year off with laughter and order your tickets now! (Suitable for ages 13 and up) The Show runs from January 21– February 5.)

These Shining Lives by Melanie Marnich

Director – Sarah Wright is currently rehearsing with her cast of *These Shining Lives* which will run from March 11 through March 26. This thought-provoking drama (which is suitable for ages 13 and over), chronicles the strength and determination of women who were considered expendable in their day, exploring their true story and its continued resonance. Catherine and her friends are dying, it's true; but theirs is a story of survival in its most transcendent sense, as they refuse to allow the company that stole their health to kill their spirits—or endanger the lives of those who come after them. "[Marnich] has an ear for warm, natural dialogue that eschews snarky quips and truisms…the play's linguistic honesty satisfies." -Time Out Chicago.



UPCOMING AUDITIONS:

Director Bradley Campbell will be holding auditions on Saturday, and Sunday, February 19 & 20, 2022 from 2:00—4:00 pm at Boise Little Theater. Auditions will be cold reading from the script.





Boise Little Theater does not use third party ticketing! Please <u>only</u> order your tickets through our Box Office (208-342-5104). Third party sellers charge you more for your ticket, so if you are ordering online, be sure you are using our ETix seating chart, which you can connect to through our website: www.boiselittletheater.org

MEET OUR NEW BOX OFFICE MANAGER!

The new voice greeting you when you call our box office belongs to Tristan Berg. Tristan joined the BLT staff right before we closed for the holidays. Amy Reichel, who sadly left BLT for a new position at St. Luke's, has been training Tristan in her spare time. Tristan earned a BA degree in Theatre in 2019 and worked as the Director of Touring for Missoula Children's Theater prior to joining BLT. Tristan is also working part of the time as an assistant instructor for the Idaho Shakespeare Festival. Please say "hello" and welcome Tristan to our BLT family!

Please Note:

Boise Little Theater's board of directors has decided that this season, all production participants (cast and crew) must be fully vaccinated (according to the CDC guidelines) before auditions are held. No exceptions.

Each month, the board re-evaluates our COVID policies to attempt to keep our performers, crew, and audiences healthy. Social distancing is still in place and audience members are required to wear a mask while in the theater.

COURTESIES

If you hear of any member who is sick, hospitalized, etc., please contact Nancy Suiter at suitern@aol.com

DID YOU KNOW THAT BLT HAS A MERCHANDISE STORE??!!

Wear Our Gear!

Show support for the Little Theater you love by donning a Boise Little Theater T-shirt, hat, hoodie, and yes, even masks. BLT has partnered with Spreadshirt to provide Boise Little Theater branded merchandise through our new online store. You can shop over 100 Boise Little Theater products any time of day by visit-ing <u>https://shop.spreadshirt.com/bltmerchandise</u>. Your secure online purchase can be made with your pre-ferred Visa, Mastercard, American Express or PayPal account. A portion of your purchase directly supports Boise Little Theater and our efforts to support our community. Plus, by using your new reusable BLT tote and wearing your new BLT mask and sweatshirt when you make that run to the grocery store, you help spread the word in our community about what a wonderful resource Boise Little Theater has been to the Treasure Valley for over 74 years. Can you believe there are people that have lived in Boise for years and have never heard of our community theater? Help us get the word out! Once your new favorite shirt arrives, try it on, take a selfie, and post it on Insta! #BLTmerch. Share it with us, because we'd love to see how great it looks, *and you'll be helping spread awareness about Boise Little Theater just by sharing what you love with those you love. Thanks for helping*!

THANKS TO OUR AMAZING

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We couldn't do what we do without the support of our Volunteers! We appreciate you! HATS OFF TO OUR FRIENDLY, SMILING USHER VOLUN-TEERS! YOU ARE THE BEST!!! Help BLT earn money while you shop safely from the comfort and safety of your home OR while shopping at



The **Script Committee** has been hard at work, reading many scripts, to select the shows for our 75th Season! They are planning on reviving some of the shows we've done here at BLT during the past 74 years, along with some new ones! They hope to announce the new season very soon, so stay tuned!



ANNOUNCING SEASON 74! 2021-22

NOISES OFF By Michael Frayn Directed By Jeanna Vickery—Presented January 21—February 5, 2022

THESE SHINING LIVES By Melanie Marnich Directed by Sarah Wright—Presented March 11—26, 2022

GOD OF CARNAGE By Yasmina Reza Directed By – Bradley Campbell Presented April 22—May 7, 2022

PUFFS by Matt Cox Directed By Katie Shuter Rompala Presented June 3—18, 2022



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