

The Toledo Repertoire Theatre



2017-2018

85th Season

A Season to Ignite Your Imagination!

MAINSTAGE PRODUCTIONS

Bonnie & Clyde Music by Frank Wildhorn, Lyrics by Don Black, Book by Ivan Menchell
September 8, 9, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23 & 24, 2017

America's most notorious lovers and bank robbers take the country by storm in this sexy and compelling adventure. A thrilling musical chronicling the lives of the infamous Depression-era outlaws, their forbidden story told with a score combining blues, gospel, and rockabilly music. Nominated for two Tony Awards, three Outer Critics Circle Awards and five Drama Desk Awards, including Best New Musical, this Northwest Ohio stage premiere is a must-see.

It Came From Mars by Joe Zettelmaier

October 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28 & 29, 2017

"Farlowe's Mystery Theatre Hour" is in rehearsal for its weekly radio show when an alarming announcement comes over the radio: Martians have landed! The actors fly into hysterics, barricading themselves in the studio, not expecting to live to see the next day. Passions ignite, secret identities are revealed, and slapstick mayhem ensues when a washedup director, his drama queen ex, a wannabe war hero, a ditzzy actress, and a German sound effects wiz all think they are about to be annihilated by men from Mars. Winner of the 2009 Edgerton Foundation New American Play Award, and nominee for the Steinberg/American Theatre Critics Association Award.

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens, adapted by David Jex & Debra Ross Calabrese

December 1, 2 & 3, 2017

A Toledo Rep holiday tradition for more than 30 years, this timeless tale of redemption follows Ebenezer Scrooge as he is transformed by the spirits of Christmas Past, Present, and Future from a miserly old curmudgeon into a man who embodies the true meaning of Christmas. With lavish costumes, spectacular sets and a musical score rich with carols of the era, this production is one you will not want to miss!

MAINSTAGE PRODUCTIONS CONTINUED...

Ripcord by David Lindsay-Abaire

January 12, 13, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27 & 28, 2018

A biting new comedy from Pulitzer Prize-winning author David Lindsay-Abaire. The sunny room on an upper floor is prime real estate in the Bristol Place Senior Living Facility, so when the cantankerous Abby is forced to share her quarters with new-arrival Marilyn, she has no choice but to get rid of the infuriatingly chipper woman by any means necessary. A seemingly harmless bet between the old women quickly escalates into a dangerous game of one-upmanship that reveals not just the tenacity of these worthy opponents, but also deeper truths that each would rather remain hidden.

Photograph 51 by Anna Ziegler

March 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24 & 25, 2018

A moving portrait of British scientist Rosalind Franklin, one of the great female scientists of the twentieth century, and her fervid drive and often overlooked role in the discovery of DNA's double helix structure. This complex tale explores how a group of chemists and biologists raced to map the molecular structure of our genetic code, revealing the unsung achievements of this trailblazing, fiercely independent woman. Winner of the 2016 WhatsOnStage Award, *Photograph 51* is a fascinating play about science, ambition, isolation, the unique challenges of a woman operating in a field dominated by men, and the race for greatness.

Sweet Charity by Neil Simon, Music by Cy Coleman, Lyrics by Dorothy Fields

June 1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16 & 17, 2018

Have you ever known a girl who wanted something so badly that she tried too hard to get it? Meet Sweet Charity, who sings, dances, laughs and cries her way through romances. Her world is the all too real world of Times Square, and the people who pass through are as deceptively charming a group as ever swept across any stage. With a book by the king of comedy Neil Simon, this five-time Tony Award winner includes the iconic musical numbers "Big Spender", "If My Friends Could See Me Now", and "I'm a Brass Band".



SPECIAL EVENT

A WORLD PREMIERE PRODUCTION

Human Error by Eric Pfeffinger (Special Event)

November 17, 18 (two shows) & 19, 2017

A world premiere production by local playwright Eric Pfeffinger. This contemporary comedy—set right here in Toledo, Ohio—is full of warmth, heart, and outrageous humor. Through a medical mix-up, two couples (one red state-ish, the other blue) meet and have a kind of cultural exchange, reminding themselves, and the audience, that while much divides us, there is a large territory of common ground. Winner of the 2016 Ohio Arts Council Award for Individual Excellence.

RAINBOW PLAY SERIES

THREE STAGED READINGS OF CLASSIC GAY PLAYS

The Normal Heart by Larry Kramer

April 6 & 7, 2018

Kramer's explosive autobiographical play chronicles the rise of the HIV/AIDS crisis in New York City between 1981 and 1984 as seen through the eyes of writer/activist Ned Weeks, the founder of a prominent HIV advocacy group, Gay Men's Health Crisis. Winner of three Tony Awards in 2011 and the basis of an Emmy Award-winning HBO film adaptation in 2014.

The Children's Hour by Lillian Hellman

April 13 & 14, 2018

Hellman's trailblazing 1934 drama is set in an all-girls boarding school run by two best friends, Karen and Martha. When a vindictive student starts a rumor that the two women are lovers, local tongues wag and the truth becomes murkier. The accusation proceeds to destroy the women's careers, relationships, and lives.

The Most Fabulous Story Ever Told by Paul Rudnick

April 20 & 21, 2018

Rudnick's audacious 1998 comedy tells the story of Adam and Steve, as well as Jane and Mabel (the first Lesbians), from the Old Testament to modern-day Manhattan. A no-holds-barred comedy that skewers both religious hypocrisy and political correctness.

YOUNG REP SERIES

Pirates! by Joshua Mikel

May 4, 5 & 6, 2018 (Ages 7-12)

A friendly game of pirates becomes all too real when overzealous Theodore accidentally falls into a giant sinkhole and wakes up to find himself amongst real high sea swashbucklers. Before getting back to the real world, he is forced on an epic journey with his companion Harriet the Ghost in a quest to find the notorious pirate Weird Beard and foil the mutinous Mr. Clunky Bones. Will Theodore be able to save Captain Cramp Hand's ship from falling into evil clutches and return to his friends in time for ice cream?

Teen Musical TBA

July 12, 13, 14 & 15, 2018 (Ages 13-18)

Schoolhouse Rock Live! Book by George Keating, Kyle Hall & Scott Ferguson, Music and Lyrics by Bob Dorough, Dave Frishberg, George Newall, Kathy Mandry, Lynn Ahrens, & Tom Yohe, Based on an Idea by David McCall and a television series created by George Newall & Tom Yohe
August 2, 3, 4 & 5, 2018 (Ages 7-12)

Based on the 1970's Emmy Award-winning Saturday morning cartoon, this fast-paced musical follows Tom, a nerve-wracked schoolteacher who is anxious about his first day of teaching. He tries to relax by watching TV when various characters representing facets of his personality emerge from the set and show him how to win over his students with imagination and music. A pop-culture phenomenon, this story teaches history, grammar, math and much more through clever, tuneful songs including "Just a Bill" and "Conjunction Junction".

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MAINSTAGE			
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It Came From Mars October 13 14 20 21 22 26 27 28 29 2017	\$20 \$18 Seniors		
A Christmas Carol (at The Valentine Theatre) December 1 2 3 2017	\$27 Adults \$17 Children		
Ripcord January 12 13 19 20 21 25 26 27 28 2018	\$20 \$18 Seniors		
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Human Error November 17 18(matinee) 18(evening) 19 2017	\$20		
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The Normal Heart April 6 7 2018	\$12		
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