

Keeping you up-to-date on our theater!

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Upcoming Shows

THE HOT L BALTIMORE

by Lanford Wilson
Director: Beatriz Esteban-Messina
Opens January 9, 2016

Tribute

by Bernard Slade Director: Steve Lemenille Opens March 5, 2016

Veronica's Room

by Ira Levin Director: Brian Remo Opens May 7, 2016

Linda Giuditta Memorial Fund

The Players thanks everyone who contributed to the Linda Giuditta Memorial Fund. Your genorosity is greatly appreciated.

For those who wish to contribute and have not yet done so, there is still time.

President's Corner

WCP began our 2015-16 season with *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike*, a comedy by Christopher Durang. We were fortunate to be one of only two community theaters in NJ licensed to perform the show. It was previously performed at the Paper Mill Playhouse to mixed reviews. Our audiences, however, enjoyed our production immensely. Credit for those accolades should be given to Linda Viel, who made her WCP directorial debut and to the superb cast which included Garry Tamburro, Debbie Badal, Sharon McGuire, Vikki Massulli, Ross Pohling and Melissa Mugica.

We are also pleased to announce that our second annual benefit performance of *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike* to support the Wounded Warrior Project was again a tremendous success. We thank you for your support of this worthy cause.

Our January, 2016 production of THE *HOT L BALTIMORE* is currently in rehearsal. This funny and sad drama by Lanford Wilson, is directed by returning director Beatriz Esteban-Messina and produced by Lucille Bills. Ms. Esteban-Messina directed last year's successful production of *Almost, Maine*. To learn more about the show and cast, visit our website at http://www.westfieldcommunityplayers.org/WCP_Hot L.html.

Upcoming productions for our season are *Tribute* by Bernard Slade (author of *Same Time Next Year* and *Romantic Comedy.*) *Tribute*, which opens March 5, 2016, is being directed by yours truly and produced by Garry Tamburro. Opening May 7, 2016 will be the suspensful mystery, *Veronica's Room* by Ira Levin (author of *Deathtrap, Dr. Cook's Garden, Drat!, The Cat!, Critic's Choice* and *Cantorial.*) It will be directed by Brian Remo (who previously directed *A Streetcar Named Desire* and *Rehearsal for Murder*, which captured 10 NJACT Perry Award Nominations.) Jessica Foerst, our own Director of Marketing, will produce the show. Audition dates for both of these shows will be announced

At the Box Office

Any Ticket Any Time

Members can reserve tickets for all four shows in the 2015-2016 season at once or show by show in one of three ways:

- 1) Mail back the form received with the summer membership mailing; the reservation will be confirmed by phone or email.
- 2) Fill out the ticket form on the website at http://www.westfieldcommunityplayers.org/W CPmemtickets.html. The reservation will be confirmed by email.
- 3) Call the Ticket Line (908)232-1221. Please say and spell your name slowly and clearly and leave your home phone number for confirmation. State the number of tickets, the performance date and your seating preference. The order will be confirmed by phone.

Non-members can reserve tickets by either filling out the on-line form or calling the Ticket Line. Tickets can not be paid for on-line—cash or check at pick-up ONLY. Single tickets are \$20 (\$10 for active duty military and students).

All tickets will be held at the box office for pick-up before the performance. All seats are reserved. Reserved tickets may be exchanged free of charge, subject to availability. Please note that tickets not picked up 15 minutes before curtain may be subject to sale. You will be able to make another reservation for a remaining performance of the same show, if available.

The box office is only open on performance nights. Tickets can be picked up beginning one hour before show time.

Check our website or the Ticket Line for up-to-date information on ticket availability.

shortly. Watch for details. You can read more about these shows by visiting the following links: *Tribute*: http://www.westfieldcommunityplayers.org/WCP_Tribute.html and *Veronica's Room*:

http://www.westfieldcommunityplayers.org/WCP_Veronica.html

On a more serious and concerning note, WCP has been in existence since 1934, and our success has largely been due to the commitment and support of our volunteers. WCP thanks all those who have given their time to volunteer their service to our theater. We can only continue to produce quality theater with your help and assistance. The need for volunteers is ever increasing. WCP encourages you to consider helping at our theater. Please visit our Volunteer page to learn of those areas where you might have an interest. It is located at: http://www.westfieldcommunity.players.org/WCPvform.html.

Since we are now in the holiday giving season, now is a good time to think of a "special" gift giving idea: *a unique stocking stuffer*. How about tickets to a show? The next play at Westfield Community Players, *THE HOT L BALTIMORE*, opens January 9th and tickets are only \$20. You can call the Box Office at 908-232-1221 or email us at tickets@westfieldcommunityplayers.org.

As we enter the holiday season and near the New Year, WCP extends its wishes for a wonderful, healthy holiday and Happy New Year to each of you and your families.

See you at the theater,

Steve Lemenille President

2015-2016 WCP Patrons

Each year we list our Patrons in the *Playbill*. We do, however, accept and appreciate Patron donations after the *Playbill* has been printed for the year. We have received the following two Patron donations that we would like to acknowledge:

Producer's Circle: Alice Dillon

Angels' Circle: Ellie Annis