



2017-2018 Season Productions

★ Don't miss
★ our
★ 31st season

Annoyance Comedy by Sam Bobrick

Sept. 6—Sept. 24, 2017

Directed by Michele Strauss



In the first scene, a very annoying man goes to see a woman therapist in the hopes that she will help him become less annoying. He drives her over the edge. In the second scene, he sees her husband, also a therapist, and drives him over the edge. In the third scene, he sees both therapists, who have decided to take drastic measures to rid the world of this most obnoxious man. Of course, it doesn't go as planned.

Over the River and Through the Woods

Comedy/Drama by Joe DePietro

Nov. 29—Dec. 17, 2017

Directed by Peter Ivanov

Nick is a single, Italian-American guy from New Jersey. His parents retired and moved to Florida. That doesn't mean his family isn't still in Jersey. In fact, he sees both sets of his grandparents every Sunday for dinner. This is routine, until he has to tell them that he's been offered a dream job in Seattle that would take him away from his grandparents. The news doesn't sit so well, and the grandparents do their level best to keep Nick around. That includes bringing to dinner the lovely and single Caitlin O'Hare as bait.



Flemming living room begins to fill up with dead bodies. Karen is further annoyed when one of them turns out to be her father. Henry is convinced he's found his life's work, and Westport, Connecticut is safer for it.

The Tin Woman Comedy/Drama by Sean Grennan

April 25—May 13, 2018

Directed by Will Horton

Instead of relishing life after her heart transplant, Joy enters a downward spiral, unsure whether she truly deserves a second chance. Meanwhile, Alice and Hank mourn the loss of their son Jack, whose heart was used to save Joy. At a friend's urging, Joy tracks down Jack's family to find closure. But are Alice, Hank, and their daughter Sammy ready to accept Jack's death? Based on a true story, *The Tin Woman* uses humor and pathos to explore loss, family, and what it means to be given new life.



Crimes of the Heart Comedy by Beth Henley

Jan. 17—Feb. 11, 2018

Directed by Ron Bupp



The three MaGrath sisters are back together in their hometown of Hazelhurst, Mississippi for the first time in a decade. Lenny, the eldest, never left Hazelhurst. Meg, the middle sister, left home

to pursue stardom as a singer in Los Angeles, but has only found happiness at the bottom of a bottle. And Babe, the youngest, has just been arrested for shooting her abusive husband. Under the scorching heat of the Mississippi sun, past resentments bubble to the surface and each sister must come to terms with the consequences of her own "crimes of the heart."

Sylvia Comedy by A. R. Gurney

June 6—June 24, 2018

Directed by Murray Hudson



Greg and Kate have moved to Manhattan after twenty-two years of child-raising in the suburbs. Greg's career as a financial trader is winding down, while Kate's career, as a public-school English

teacher, is beginning to offer her more opportunities. Greg brings home a dog he found in the park—or that has found him—bearing only the name "Sylvia." Sylvia becomes a major bone of contention between husband and wife. She offers Greg an escape from the frustrations of his job and the unknowns of middle age. To Kate, Sylvia becomes a rival for affection. The marriage is put in serious jeopardy until, after a series of hilarious and touching complications, Greg and Kate learn to compromise, and Sylvia becomes a valued part of their lives.

Flemming Comedy/Mystery by Sam Bobrick

March 7—April 1, 2018

Directed by Bob La Salle

Bored by his privileged, but mundane life, Henry Flemming sells his lucrative brokerage firm to become a detective. On his very first case, and to the horror of his wife, Karen, and his two crazy neighbors, Suzy and Stan, the



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★ laughter

Later Life Comedy/Drama by A. R. Gurney

Oct. 18—Nov. 5, 2017

Directed by Jenni Elliot

Austin has spent his entire life convinced that something terrible is bound to happen to him. One night at a party, overlooking Boston harbor, he has the pleasure of rekindling a romance begun almost thirty years ago with Ruth. Comically, and sometimes painfully, these two people rediscover each other and themselves while a bevy of free-spirited other guests rally behind them and remind them of the infinite possibilities that life holds, should one only choose to pursue them.



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★ drama

2017–2018 Showcase Productions

MINDY SIMMONS PERFORMS

"Peggy Lee Tribute "

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017; 7:30 pm

A Tribute to Miss Peggy Lee



**Mindy Simmons
and her
Jazz Combo**

Mindy Simmons takes you on a trip down memory lane as she recreates the look and sound of an evening spent with the late, great Miss Peggy Lee. Sharing the songs and stories of Miss Lee's career, Mindy emulates a performance style of earlier years in entertainment when the music was subtle in dynamics and the lyrics could be heard and understood.

With a Jazz combo behind her, Mindy Simmons brings the hit songs of Peggy Lee's 45 year career to life. She shares with the audience the classy, very sultry, and sometimes surprisingly funny side of Miss Lee's personality. This is a show not to be missed. Visit www.mindysimmons.com for more information about her performances.

Music ■ Songs ■ Stories ■ Sultry ■ Jazz

MARCY DOWNEY

"Sh Boom! Those Fabulous 50's"

Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018; 7:30 pm

Sh Boom! Those Fabulous 50's



Starring Marcy Downey

In 2013 Marcy Downey debuted her new cabaret show at Lemon Bay Playhouse and has appeared to a sold out audience since that time. This will be her fifth appearance on our stage.

With a lifetime of show business experience, and an impressive list of stage appearances including New York, Los Angeles, Lake Tahoe, and Florida, Marcy is the ultimate entertainer.

Her singing voice has attracted critical acclaim from coast to coast, and her stage personality "lights up every room in which she appears".

In addition to her singing, Marcy adds that rare comic element that makes for a memorable evening of smiles, laughter and satisfaction.

This season, Marcy will take you on a musical journey through the decade that brought us The Everly Brothers, Brenda Lee, Elvis, The Righteous Brothers, Patti Page, The Platters, and so many more. Marcy sings the greatest hits of the 50's and tells hilarious tales of those happy days, and portrays comedy characters that will have you laughing all the way home! Go to www.marcydowney.com for a video demo of her performances.

Elvis ■ Everly Brothers ■ Brenda Lee ■ The 50's

JOHN TUFF AND FRIENDS

"No 'Cryin' In Your Beer Old-time Country Music"

Saturday, Feb. 24, 2018; 7:30 pm



**John
Tuff**

**and
Friends**

John Tuff and Friends make their fourth appearance on the LBP stage. This very talented group of musicians will provide the audience with a fantastic evening of music consisting of classic country hits of the past. Their performance will include classic country music, of current and older country legends, such as Johnny Cash, Hank Snow, Ernest Tubb, George Jones, Johnny Horton, and more.

These country musicians started out almost ten years ago as a duo performing for a fundraiser at the Englewood United Methodist Church (EUMC). Since that time, it has grown into a group of five gifted musicians singing all over Southwest Florida in a variety of venues. The emphasis is on old-time country music, the kind many of us grew up with on the family radio. This show will lift your spirits and bring you back to the old days. To a time when folks valued good music, good times, and pride in this great country of ours. There will be no "crying in your beer" country songs to bring you down. If you appreciate this style of traditional country music, come and join us for this tribute to the country hits of the past, featuring many of country fans' favorite stars and their music.

Melodic ■ Nostalgic ■ Marvelous ■ Entertainment

TOM AND SANDY DOYLE

"Les Paul and Mary Ford Tribute"

Saturday, Apr. 14, 2018; 7:30 pm



**THE
LES PAUL & MARY FORD
TRIBUTE SHOW**
FEATURING TOM & SANDY DOYLE

When Tom and Sandy perform their Les Paul & Mary Ford Tribute Show it's like the best time travel ever! Their audience will be transported back many decades... back to a time when things were more simple, when music had meaning, and the artists we truly talented... none more so than Mr. Les Paul and his lovely wife, Mary Ford.

Tom and Sandy are not just merely doing an impression of these great entertainers of the past... Tom has a long personal history with THE great and famous guitar Icon. Tom and Les worked together, side by side for over 45 years... on guitars, music, sound engineering, Les' personal performances and so much more... Oh the stories he has! Check out the website www.lespaulshow.com

Self-harmony ■ Stories ■ Layered Sound

Lemon Bay Playhouse Readers Theater

9th Annual Shorts Aloud Festival

Once again, Lemon Bay Playhouse's Readers Theater will be presenting their annual Shorts Aloud Festival. This will be its ninth year, and this popular event is always well attended. A unique form of live theatre, the actors always give the audience a laugh-filled performance with twists and surprises. Show times are February 17 at 7:30 pm and Feb. 18 at 2:00 pm and 7:30pm. Mark your calendars and buy your tickets soon at the special price of \$12.00.



Join the fun at
Readers Theater

LBP Readers Theater is open to those interested in reading or hearing plays in a group setting. Meetings are held at the playhouse on the **first Monday of each month, from October through May, at 9:30 am to noon.** No theatrical experience is necessary to participate. What is a readers theater? In this setting, actors do not memorize lines but read from scripts. It is a good way for new actors to try their hand at public performance and to gain familiarity with other skills such as script analysis, character development, and other acting tools. It is a delightful way to enjoy hearing new plays with fellow theater fans!

Readers Theater Outreach Program Members are available to perform at local libraries, clubs, and other community organizations free of charge. Contact the business manager at (941) 474-9610 for more information on having a troupe come to your event.

Volunteers Make A Difference

It takes a lot of people to support a good community theater. Nearly every task at LBP is performed by a volunteer. The most visible volunteers are the actors on stage, but there is an entire cast working backstage before and during every production. Other volunteers help manage activities such as the box office, house managing, and special events.

There is always a need for hard-working, dedicated individuals to serve on the Board of Trustees. Every non-profit organization needs those who possess skills in management, finance, development, strategic planning, and public relations. The opportunities for involvement in LBP are almost endless. If you are interested, we'll find a special role here just for you. Call the box office at (941) 475-6756 for information.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of Lemon Bay Playhouse to enrich Englewood and surrounding communities through theatrical productions, volunteer opportunities, education and training in the performing arts, and to provide a venue for other cultural activities.

*Because of you, Englewood is blessed with affordable live theatre.
Thank you.*

Value pricing

*For award-winning
entertainment*

Tickets:

Individual Performance - \$ 20.00

Student (with proper ID) - \$ 14.00

For Group Sales (20 or more), call
(941) 474-9610

Shorts Aloud Performances - \$12.00

Curtain times:

7:30 pm Wed. - Sat. evenings,

2:00 pm Sun. matinees.

Box office hours:

10:00 am to 2:00 pm Weekdays.

Box office phone: (941) 475-6756

Gift certificates available

For that unique and

"Oh, you're so thoughtful" gift

Call (941) 474-9610

Membership/Contributions

Please help Lemon Bay Playhouse continue presenting high-quality, live theatre performances. We do not charge a facility, transaction, or handling fee for phone, credit card, or internet purchases. The Playhouse keeps ticket prices as low as possible in order to make attending live theatre affordable for patrons.

You can make a difference. Become a member or make a tax deductible donation. Visit the box office or contact us at (941) 474-9610.

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