



# 2018—2019 Season Productions

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★ our  
★ 32nd season

## *Last of the Red Hot Lovers* Comedy by Neil Simon

Sept. 5—Sept. 23, 2018

Directed by Gary Seddon



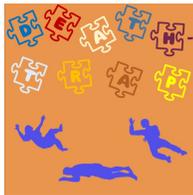
Middle-aged and married, overworked and overweight, Barney Cashman wants to join the sexual revolution before it's too late and arranges three seductions: the first, Elaine Navazio proves to be a foul-mouthed bundle of neuroses; Bobbi Michele is next, a 20-ish actress who's too kooky by half; finally comes September and Jeanette Fisher, a gloomy, depressed housewife who happens to be married to Barney's best friend.

## *Deathtrap* Mystery/Thriller by Ira Levin

Oct. 17—Nov. 4, 2018

Directed by Peter Ivanov

Seemingly comfortably ensconced in his charming Connecticut home, Sidney Bruhl, a successful writer of Broadway thrillers, is struggling to overcome a dry spell which has resulted in a string of failures and a shortage of funds. A possible break in his fortunes occurs when he receives a script from a student in the seminar he has been conducting at a nearby college—a thriller which Sidney recognizes immediately as a potential Broadway hit. Sidney's plan, which he devises with his wife's help, is to offer collaboration to the student, an idea which the younger man quickly accepts. Thereafter suspense mounts steadily as the plot begins to twist and turn with devilish cleverness, and with such an abundance of thrills and laughter, that audiences will be held enthralled until the final, startling moments of the play.



## *Dear Santa* Comedy by Norm Foster

Nov. 28—Dec. 16, 2018

Directed by Bob La Salle

Santa Claus tries to fulfill a child's special Christmas wish while his staff attempts to overcome a supply shortage at the North Pole. This is a laugh-filled holiday play innocent enough for the youngest boy or girl, and entertaining enough for adults.



## *Men Are Dogs* Comedy by Joe Simonelli

Jan. 16—Feb. 10, 2019

Directed by Ric Goodwin



Dr. Cecelia Monahan has a serious problem. As a therapist who runs a support group for single and divorced women, she must listen to a number of relationship problems from her unusual cadre of patients as well as dealing with the unsolicited advice of her live in mother on subjects ranging from dating to cooking recipes. The doctor, however, is not above using some unorthodox methods of her own such as hiring out of work actors to role play with her patients. It is only when Cecelia meets the new substitute package delivery man that the doctor must learn to practice what she preaches!

## *Looking* Comedy by Norm Foster

March 6—March 31, 2019

Directed by Jenni Elliott

From one of Canada's most popular playwrights comes this hilarious comedy. Val is an O.R. nurse, Andy is in the storage business, Nina is a police officer, and Matt is the host of a morning radio show. They're middle-aged, single, and looking. Val agrees to meet Andy after answering his personal ad in the newspaper, and Nina and Matt are coaxed into joining their friends for support. What follows is hilarious, touching, and so very true to life.



## *Old Love* Comedy/Drama by Norm Foster

April 24—May 12, 2019

Directed by Jack Rabito

"The story spans three decades and half a dozen meetings between Bud, a salesman, and Molly, his boss's wife. One of them is smitten from the very first meeting—the other, let's just say—less so. The story is straightforward, easy to follow and funny, often very funny. Canada's pre-eminent comic playwright, Norm Foster, has written a clever and witty dialogue celebrating the pursuit of love, the kind of love that 'makes you breathe just a little bit faster.' Charmingly written ... Foster's use of one-liner's serve the script well and has the audience smiling, chuckling and laughing throughout the entire play." — THE HUB



★ Don't miss  
★ the  
★ drama

## *'Til Beth Do Us Part* Comedy by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooton

June 5—June 23, 2019

Directed by Ron Bupp



In this side-splitting comic romp about marriage, career-driven Suzannah Hayden needs a lot more help on the home front than she's getting from her husband, Gibby — a washed-up

weatherman who no longer makes his marriage a priority but pretty soon he'll wish it had been. In comes Beth, Suzannah's sprightly Southern assistant, and just in time for Suzannah's boss Celia Carmichael to fly in for an impromptu business meeting. Whether you're married, single, rethinking your divorce or currently being controlled by someone up to no good, you're sure to enjoy this family-friendly, laugh-out-loud comedy.

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★ the  
★ laughter

# 2018–2019 Showcase Productions

## PAISLEY CRAZE

"Flower Power! The Music That Changed The World "

*Saturday, November 17, 2018 7:30 pm*



Paisley Craze, a five-piece band playing all your favorite music from the 1960s, covers the incredibly wide range of styles of that historic decade. The "Paisley Craze" 60's music anthology band is a labor of love for Marty Bednar where so many playing styles are needed in one setting and so, so much great music is available to be played for one audience. Rock,

pop, Latin Rock, Blues, Swing, Alt Country are all part of the larger picture of the 60's music that grew today's music scene and changed the last 40 years of popular music. This performance at our theater will help you have fun through music. For more information check out the Paisley Craze website at [www.paisleycraze.com](http://www.paisleycraze.com).

**60's Music ■ Rock ■ Beatles ■ Great Music**

## CYNTHIA SAYER

"Hot Jazz Quartet"

*Saturday, February 23, 2019; 7:30 pm*



Award-winning instrumentalist/vocalist/bandleader Cynthia Sayer is acclaimed by musicians, critics, and fans alike as one of the top 4-string jazz banjoists in the world today. Praised for her "drive and virtuosity" by the New York Times. She has a unique and expansive approach to the instrument which is all her own, and she is also a dynamic vocalist and engaging entertainer. Her eclectic repertoire

ranges from swing and hot jazz to tango, western, classical, and more. She enchants audiences with her electrifying, swing-based performances and captivating stage presence wherever she appears.

She first rose to international prominence as a founding member of Woody Allen's New Orleans Jazz Band, all the while exploring her wider musical interests and playing with such legendary jazz, popular, and roots music artists.

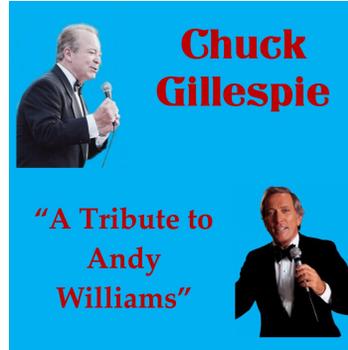
Cynthia's performances and recordings have accumulated numerous awards and honors, including induction into the National Banjo Hall of Fame. She was also filmed for a PBS TV documentary about the banjo. Read more about Cynthia and hear her in concert by visiting her website [www.cynthiasayer.com](http://www.cynthiasayer.com).

**Banjo ■ Swing ■ Hot Jazz ■ Tango ■ Classical**

## CHUCK GILLESPIE

"Tribute to Andy Williams"

*Saturday, January 5, 2019; 7:30 pm*



Singer-Actor-Entertainer Chuck Gillespie will perform his personal "Tribute to Andy Williams". This unique, intimate, romantic presentation of the music, the life, and times of American music icon Andy Williams, spans his amazing life from Depression-era Iowa to radio, television, motion pictures, nightclubs, and millions of records sold. The stories

from his life through the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, and beyond, weaved through 20 classic songs including; "Moon River", "Days of Wine and Roses", "Charade", "Hawaiian Wedding Song", "Theme from Love Story", and many, many more. Chuck is a song stylist with a decades-long career that includes years of Musical Theater. He will be bringing these memories to us at our theater. This tribute is an entertaining 90-minute look at the music that The Greatest Generation and their Baby Boomer offspring could enjoy. For more information visit his website at [www.chucksings.com](http://www.chucksings.com).

**Moon River ■ Canadian Sunset ■ Wine and Roses**

## JOHN TUFF AND FRIENDS

"Celebrating The Legends Of Country Music"

*Saturday, April 13, 2019; 7:30 pm*



John Tuff and Friends make their fifth 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. If you appreciate this style of traditional country music, come and join us for this tribute to the country hits of the past.

**Melodic ■ Nostalgic ■ Marvelous ■ Entertainment**

# Lemon Bay Playhouse Readers Theater

## 10th Annual Shorts Aloud Festival

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Shorts Aloud Festival!



**The Best of  
Shorts Aloud**

Once again, Lemon Bay Playhouse's Readers Theater will be presenting their annual Shorts Aloud Festival, "The Best of Shorts Aloud". This will be its tenth year and the last one produced by Kathy Amelia. A unique form of live theatre, the actors always give the audience a laugh-filled performance with twists and surprises. Show times are Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, February 17, 2019 at 2:00 pm. Mark your calendars and buy your tickets soon at the special price of \$8.00.

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 - \$8.00

### 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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*Don't miss a moment of exciting theater  
and outstanding showcase performances.*

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