

THE SPOTLIGHT



Marco Island's Only 501(c) (3)
Community Theater

Lunch Box Series

This acclaimed series features live performances followed by a Box Lunch and a Q&A session with the performers.

One Performance Only

Saturdays at Noon

Ticket \$25.00

December 7, 2013

Marilyn Hilbert

Second Lady

By M. Kilburg Reedy

February 15, 2014

John, Mary Anne and Friends

A Taste of Broadway

March 22, 2014

Janina Birtolo

Cleopatra,

How Sharp The Serpent's Tooth

April 5, 2014

The Marco Island Academy
**Presents Scenes From
Julius Caesar**

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Welcome To Our 2013-2014 Season

Celebrating 39 Years of Live Theater on Marco Island

**Box Office Opens
September 4**

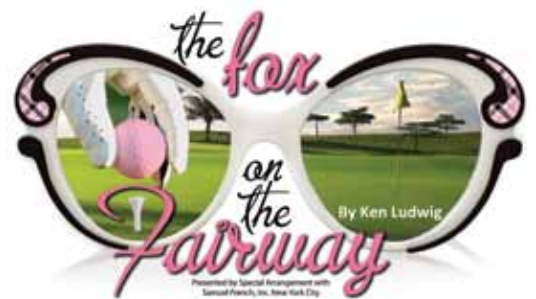
Performances:
Wed - Sat at 8pm
Sun Matinee 3pm



November 6 - November 24

Storm clouds of dissension and resentment are carried along by the intriguing tangle of relationships in Saul Weber's "fraying" family.

Auditions: September 9 & 10, 2013



January 8 - January 26

This fast paced comedy is a charmingly madcap adventure about love, life and man's eternal love affair with ...golf.

Auditions: November 11 & 12, 2013



February 12 - March 2

Annie Wilson, Fundraising Director at a local PBS station, threatens to hold Big Bird hostage until her audience of 5 year olds sends in their pledges.

Auditions: November 18 & 19, 2013



March 19 - April 6

Serge wants validation from his friends for the very expensive painting he just purchased. This Tony Award winning play focuses on the meaning of art and friendship.

Auditions: January 20 & 21, 2014

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Master Carpenter

Jan Weiss

Set Decorator

Ron Moores

Play Selection Chair

From The President ...

As we begin our 39th year, I am thankful for our community's support and participation. The Marco Players Theater is your community theater and we thank you for making our 39th year a true celebration.

As you may already know, The Marco Players is a not-for-profit charitable organization registered with the IRS under Section 501(c) (3.) We depend on community donations of time and money. Except for each production's director and our part-time in-season box office manager, those of us who work tirelessly to bring you quality live performances are all volunteers:

- Our Board of Directors- all volunteers.
- Our Hospitality committee members- all volunteers.
- Our actors, who donate countless hours of their time- all volunteers.
- Our Production Team members- all volunteers.

Not one of our volunteers, who love creating the "magic of theater" on Marco Island, receives remuneration for the services they perform.

Your donations and our box office ticket sales have enabled us to maintain your community theater and make improvements in the facility.

The Marco Players Theater has done little to no fundraising. Yet, during the last 12 years, we have been able to successfully manage the theater and it's ever-increasing expenses. Most people do not realize that production costs for costumes, royalties to publishing houses, set construction, advertising, and printing, our online box office system and administrative expenses must be managed in a way that keeps us self-sustaining and able to plan for future funding of the theater.

I want to assure you that we do not take your support or our fiscal responsibility lightly. When we remodeled the theater in 2010, we had planned the renovation carefully. When we added new lighting in 2011, our finances were also in place for that addition. Thanks to our generous patrons, we were able to bring these projects to fruition!

As we segue into our 40th year, without your loyal and continued support for the theater, our vision would not be possible. The Marco Players Theater is YOUR community theater.

Won't you help us grow into our future? Please consider making a donation, and help us begin fundraising to establish a new theater. I invite you to contact me or another board member to explore how best you are able to partner with us.

Again, thank you for your ongoing support! We look forward to continuing our tradition of creating first-rate theatrical experiences for you each time you attend a performance at The Marco Players Theater.

Beverly Dahlstrom

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President and Artistic Director



Creating An Illusion

For a set designer, reading the play begins the process of imagination and creativity. While reading, I begin to visualize what the stage setting should look like. The author's conception, the story line and the size of our stage, begin to impact the actual creative process.

After the reading, I begin to sketch a set design plan. Once I think I am satisfied with my rough out design of the set, I will put a sketch of the final design on graph paper to see if it will conform to the size of our theatre stage. This sometimes takes a little doing. Our stage is so very small.

When I think the sketched design will satisfy all the many issues that we need to address, like windows, doors,

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walls, furniture, props and room for the actors to move around on the stage, I present the design to

the director for his/her approval. Usually, between the director and the set designer, a final design emerges.

Of course, this is just the beginning. Now, the creation of the illusion begins in reality. Now I have to construct it!

Jim Swanker

Master Carpenter/Set Designer

Set Decorating

Decorating the sets for our theater has given me a very unique opportunity. Normally, when I decorate a home, lobby, or model apartment, the elements of design remain in place for months, even years. In our theater, the magic lasts for only three weeks. The set is then broken down and replaced with a new design for the next show.

Whether creating the illusion of a Manhattan apartment, a cabin in the woods, a hotel room, or a dog park, each set is a creative journey. Each is unique, and designed to the specifications of only our little black box theater.

Starting with a blank canvas and slowly adding each element to the stage is somewhat like a scavenger hunt. I may, for example use the same table in several shows, merely changing its color or adding a small design detail. Because we are a non-profit organization, our working budget is limited. I really have to stretch a dollar, and my imagination. Gathering furniture is always the hardest process. Our stage has its limits, so finding pieces to scale is often daunting. These challenges have pushed me to creative areas I never knew I was capable of achieving. To this day, it amazes me how everything seems to come together with the help of the many dedicated volunteers who make my work fun.



Jan Weiss

Interior Designer/Set Decorator

Become a Volunteer

Would you like to Volunteer with The Marco Players Theater?

There are lots of opportunities for you. Consider donating some of your valuable time to The Marco Players Theater located in Marco Island Town Center Mall.

Here are the ways you can help!

- Ushering or handing out playbills
- Helping with fundraising event planning
- Mailings and stuffing
- Serving on a Fundraising Committee
- Financial Support
- Making phone calls
- Volunteering at an event

What are the benefits of volunteering?

- Making friends
- Being a part of your community
- Supporting our non-profit theater full of volunteers like you
- See our productions for free

Let us know when you are available by emailing info@themarcoplayers.com or calling 239-404-5198.



Audition Schedule

239-404-5198 www.TheMarcoPlayers.com

Absalom

by Zoe Kazan

Director: R.E. Joyce

Auditions: September 9 and 10

Monday and Tuesday, 7:00 to 9:00 pm

The Marco Players Theater

Cast Requirements:

4 men(32-70), 2 women(28-37)

(see website for details)



Performances: November 6 thru November 24th, 2013

Rehearsals Begin September 23, 2013

The Fox on the Fairway

by Ken Ludwig

Director: TBA

Auditions: November 11 and 12, 2013

Monday and Tuesday, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The Marco Players Theater

Cast Requirements:

3 men(25-55), 3 women(23-50)

(see website for details)



Performances: January 8 thru January 26, 2014

Rehearsals Begin November 25, 2013

Apartment 3A

by Jeff Daniels

Director: TBA

Auditions: November 18 and 19, 2013

Monday and Tuesday 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The Marco Players Theater

Cast Requirements:

4 men(30-45), 1 women(30)

(see website for details)



Performances: February 12 thru March 2, 2014

Rehearsals Begin December 16, 2013

Art

by Yasmina Reza

Director: Jim Corsica

Auditions: January 20 and 21, 2014

Monday and Tuesday 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The Marco Players Theater

Cast Requirements:

3 men(30-50)

(see website for details)



Performances: March 19 thru April 6, 2014

Rehearsals Begin February 3, 2014

A Christmas Story - Children's Theater

by Jean Shepherd

Auditions: September 5 & 6, 2014

Thursday & Friday 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

In The Marco Players Theater

Cast Requirements:

TBA

Rehearsals Begin November 11, 2013

Performances: December 20, 21 and 22, 2013



The Odd Couple - Children's Theater

by Neil Simon

Auditions: February 17 & 18, 2014

Monday & Tuesday 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

In the rehearsal space

Cast Requirements:

TBA

Rehearsals Begin March 4, 2014

Performances: April 25, 26 and 27, 2014



Early Ticket Ordering

This season we are offering our Package Subscribers an opportunity to purchase their tickets in the month of August and not wait until our formal September 4th opening date for ticket sales.

For our Patrons who have been Full Season Subscribers, you will be able to place your order for our Season Packages beginning on August 25th. Ticket purchasing to the general public begins September 4th. Package Subscribers will receive an email from us on or about August 20th, along with a special code for you to use to be able to order your tickets early.

Please keep in mind that this offer is exclusive for our Package Subscribers only. It is not available to those who purchase non-package tickets during the season.

Save your code to access your early ticket purchasing. Please call our Box Office if you have any problem getting your tickets. Richard will be available to help you at 642-7270.

New Combo Package

This season we are offering a new package for our Patrons. In addition to our regular Full Season Package (4 main shows), Lunch Box Series Package (4 one-time only shows with lunch), and the Snowbird Package (3 shows), we will be offering the new Combo Package.

The Combo Package includes tickets to our four main shows and the two Children's shows, Jean Shepherd's A Christmas Story and our spring production, Neil Simon's The Odd Couple.

We thought this might be of interest to some of our Patrons who have children and grandchildren or other family members or friends who might like to receive these as holiday or birthday gifts.

With the Combo Package, you receive the standard discount of \$2 on your main show tickets and \$1 on the children's show tickets.

The Marco Players does not charge a ticketing fee to our Patrons.

Your Gift Sets the Stage

At The Marco Players, ticket sales cover only part of our operating costs. The rest comes from friends and supporters like you.

Your generous support enables us to bring you better programs, sets, costumes and patron services.

Every contribution is important, and we appreciate all the support. For more information on making a gift or to learn more about taking advantage of benefits and privileges designed to enhance your Arts experience, please visit our website or make a donation to our Annual Fund.

Be An Angel

Be A Part Of Our 2013-2014 Season

Your deductible contribution will be listed in all of this season's playbills.

Our 2012-2013 Designations:

| | |
|------------|------------|
| Apprentice | \$50.00 |
| Actor | \$100.00 |
| Director | \$250.00 |
| Producer | \$500.00 |
| Angel | \$1,000.00 |



Your support is vital!

Please make your check payable to Marco Players and mail to:

The Marco Players
P.O. Box 2033
Marco Island, FL 34146

In the Memo Field of your check please note: *Angel Fund*, or can also make a donation with your ticket purchase at our website: www.TheMarcoPlayers.com

Thank you so much!

The Marco Players Theater is a non-profit 501 (c)3 tax-exempt organization under Section 170 Paragraph B(b) 1(A) (vi) of the IRS Code. As a result, your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent of the law, provided no goods are exchanged.

Box Office Opens September 4

Don't wait to get your tickets!

You have options! Take your pick.

Order by mail: First review the seating chart below. Select your show date(s) and choose your first and second choice seat(s). Fill out the form and return to the box office with your check. Mail to P.O. Box 2033, Marco Island, Florida 34146

Order on-line: Quickest and easiest way to order. Visit www.TheMarcoPlayers.com and click on Box Office. Click on your show or package selection. Then you will be directed to select your shows, dates & seat(s) to complete your purchase. There is no extra charge to buy tickets on line. Your tickets will arrive via email. Please print your barcode ticket and bring them with you to the show.

Order by phone: Call the Box Office (239-642-7270) to place your order. Leave a message and we will call you back.

Ticket Prices

NEW! Full Season COMBO Subscription (4 Shows* + 2 Children's Shows**) *\$2 & **\$1 discount/shows.

Season Subscription: (4 Shows) \$2 discount/show.

Snow Bird Subscription: (3 Shows of your choice) \$1 discount per show.

Lunch Box: \$25 - Comes with Box Lunch.

Lunch Box Series: (All Shows) \$2 discount/show.

Single Tickets: (Gold Seats) \$25 (Green Seats) \$23

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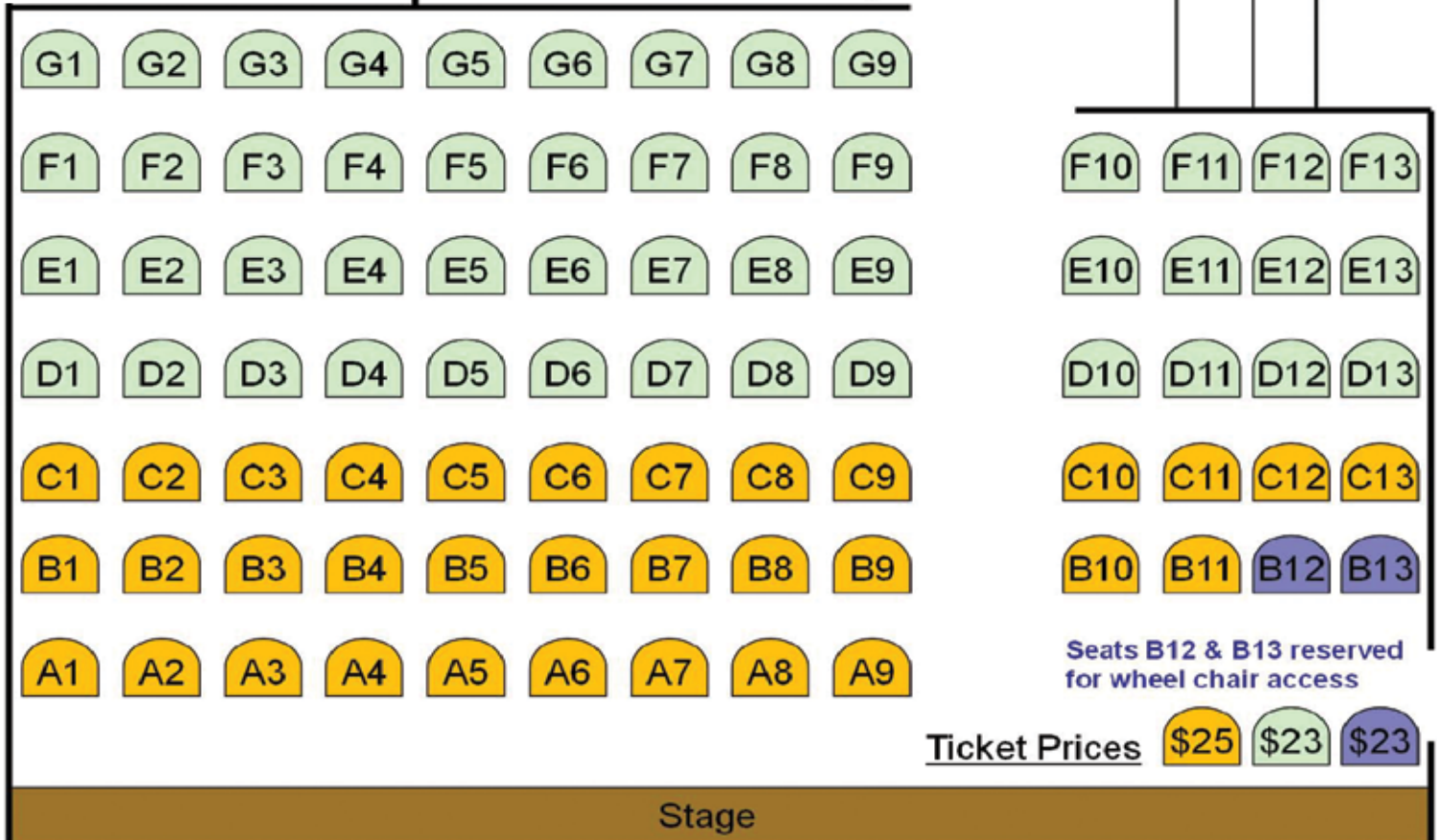
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Tech Booth

Box Office



Things To Remember

B12 & B13 are reserved for handicap access. These seats will be released for general sale 48 hours before curtain.

The Box Office opens 4 hours before each show for walk-in sales.

Tickets can be exchanged for other shows if seating is available. No Refunds

The Marco Players 2013-2014 Season

Tickets On Sale September 4th 2013

New!

Ticket and Subscription Prices

Full Season COMBO Subscription (Includes Children's Performances) ● \$130 (Gold - First 3 Rows) ● \$122 (Regular Seats)

Full Season Subscription ● \$92 (Gold - First 3 Rows) ● \$84 (Regular Seats)

Snowbirds Season Subscription ● \$72 (Gold - First 3 Rows) ● \$66 (Regular Seats)

Lunch Box Series: Includes Box Lunch (All Shows) ● \$25 \$2 discount/show.

Lunch Box: ● \$25 - Includes Box Lunch.

Individual Ticket ● \$25 (Gold - First 3 Rows) ● \$23 (Regular Seats and Wheelchair)

Group Rates Available - Call for Pricing 239-642-7270

Show Days: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday (8:00-10:00 pm) Sunday Matinee (3:00 -5:00 pm)

Please complete your name and address, select your seat number and your first and second choice of series.

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Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(See Chart) Seating Choices _____

Series: Choice #1 _____ Choice #2: _____

A Christmas Story Dates: Choice #1 _____ Choice #2: _____

The Odd Couple Dates: Choice #1 _____ Choice #2: _____

I would like to contribute to the wish list: \$ _____

(Please add to total ticket order)

| Series | Day | Absalom | A Christmas Story | The Fox on The Fairway | Apartment 3A | Art | The Odd Couple |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| | | <i>November</i> | <i>December</i> | <i>January</i> | <i>February/ March</i> | <i>March/ April</i> | <i>April</i> |
| 1 | Wednesday | 11/6 | | 1/8 | 2/12 | 3/19 | |
| 2 | Thursday | 11/7 | | 1/9 | 2/13 | 3/20 | |
| 3 | Friday | 11/8 | | 1/10 | 2/14 | 3/21 | |
| 4 | Saturday | 11/9 | | 1/11 | 2/15 | 3/22 | |
| 5 | Sunday 3 PM | 11/10 | | 1/12 | 2/16 | 3/23 | |
| 6 | Wednesday | 11/13 | | 1/15 | 2/19 | 3/26 | |
| 7 | Thursday | 11/14 | | 1/16 | 2/20 | 3/27 | |
| 8 | Friday | 11/15 | | 1/17 | 2/21 | 3/28 | |
| 9 | Saturday | 11/16 | | 1/18 | 2/22 | 3/29 | |
| 10 | Sunday 3 PM | 11/17 | | 1/19 | 2/23 | 3/30 | |
| 11 | Wednesday | 11/20 | | 1/22 | 2/26 | 4/2 | |
| 12 | Thursday | 11/21 | | 1/23 | 2/27 | 4/3 | |
| 13 | Friday | 11/22 | 12/20 | 1/24 | 2/28 | 4/4 | 4/25 |
| 14 | Saturday | 11/22 | 12/21 | 1/25 | 3/1 | 4/5 | 4/26 |
| 15 | Sunday 3 PM | 11/24 | 12/22 | 1/26 | 3/2 | 4/6 | 4/27 |

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