North Fork Community Theatre

February 2024

12700 Sound Avenue, PO Box 86 Mattituck, NY 11952

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Feb 10-11	Magic Show – Benefit for the NFCT Renovation Campaign
Feb 11, 16, 18	Auditions for "Follies"
Feb 17	NFCT Basement Painting Party
Mar 8-24	"The Father"
Apr 6	"Turtles on the Tarmac" - East End Special Players
Apr 7	Art Barre – Peconic Ballet Theatre
May 16-June 2	"Follies"

President's Message

Magic is in the air. And coming to the NFCT! Jim Vines and Carl Mercurio, professional magicians who have performed around the world, will be at the NFCT on February 10th and 11th. This is a fun event for all – whether you are 8 or 88. If you have not already purchased tickets, do so now as tickets are selling quickly. It will be a full house! This event is a fundraiser for the NFCT Renovation Campaign, so you can support the theater's renovations and see a spectacular show at the same time.

If you can not make it to the magic show, please consider making a donation to the Renovation Campaign. It is a great time to donate because each dollar you donate will be doubled! Donations up to \$5,000 will be matched thanks to the "Building on Tradition Friends" who have come together to make a matching donation fund. Donations can be done online at nfct.com or check to Box 86, Mattituck.

As winter hits it's stride, we will be getting ready for our Spring Musical, "Follies." Auditions are Feb 11th and 16th with callbacks on the 18th. We hope you consider trying out for the show!

Our "Home Sweet Home" project to work on our building will continue on February 17th. Chris Lepore (this month's Volunteer of the Month) will lead a "painting party" to paint the rehearsal room/hallway. No specific skills are necessary – just a willingness to help!

We hope that you will join us, (and bring a friend) to the NFCT this Winter!

- Mary

Magic at the NFCT - Delightful Magical Miracles for the Whole Family – Feb 10 &11

Renowned illusionists Carl Mercurio and Jim Vines return to the NFCT stage on **Feb 10 at 7:00 pm**, and **Feb 11 at 2:30 pm**, with a major new show of magic, comedy and mind-reading. Fun and amazing for the whole family, our master magicians will present large scale grand illusions that you'll never forget! Proceeds will go towards the NFCT Renovation Campaign. Tickets are on sale now at nfct.com

Auditions for Follies

Auditions for the musical "Follies" by Sondheim will be held on Sun. Feb. 11th at 7PM, Fri. Feb. 16 at 7PM, with callbacks on Sun. Feb. 18 at 7PM. For more information, check out nfct.com and/or email director Stephen Ness at <u>sness1172@gmail.com</u>.

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"Building on Tradition Friends" Matching Donations!

Great news! A group of "Building on Tradition Friends" have come together to provide matching funds for the next \$5,000 that is donated. Each dollar you donate will become \$2 towards the NFCT's "Building on Tradition" Campaign which raises money to improve the NFCT building and theatre technology. This Fall, we upgraded our Sound system to use body microphones to improve your listening experience. Our future plans are to improve the auditorium's seating and lobby/refreshment area and remove the pole. You can make a donation online at <u>www.nfct.com</u> or by mailing a check to NFCT Box 86, Mattituck NY 11952.

"The Father" – March 8th – 24th

Mark Heideman will direct "The Father," which will be performed on Friday, Saturday and Sundays from March 8th through 24th. The cast will include Rusty Kransky, Eileen Trilli, Colin Palmer, Georgia Caputa, John Lovett and Laurn Maugeri. Get your tickets now at <u>www.nfct.com</u>.

East End Special Players "Turtles on the Tarmac" - April 6th

The East End Special Players (EESP) enhances the lives of adults with diverse abilities by providing opportunities for self expression through theatre performance and artistic experiences. The NFCT looks forward to welcoming the EESP to our stage for their performance of "Turtles on the Tarmac" on April 6th.

Art Barre – Peconic Ballet Theatre – April 7th

The NFCT is excited to partner with the Peconic Ballet Theatre for *Art Barre* on Sun April 7th. Art Barre is an exquisite showcase of professional dance performances featuring a captivating array of dance styles, meticulously curated and presented by the Peconic Ballet Foundation. This dynamic production offers a spellbinding journey through the artistry of dance, highlighting the precision, grace, and diversity of movement. Tickets will be available for purchase on the NFCT website in March. NFCT Donors will be given complimentary tickets. Contact Mary Kalich for more information at campaign@nfct.com.

NFCT Painting Party – Volunteers Needed – Feb 17th

We are looking for volunteers to help us with our "Home Sweet Home" project to clean, organize and paint the NFCT. On February 17th at 11AM, Chris Lepore will lead a group to paint the rehearsal room and hallway. All are welcome - no special skills are necessary! RSVP to Chris at <u>chrislepore@voirdire.org</u>.

Volunteer of the Month – Chris Lepore

Christian Lepore has been a fixture at the NFCT since moving back to the North Fork. He has appeared onstage in the mainstage productions Wolf Hall, The Laramie Project and The Resistible Rise of Arturo Ui; worked with Huck Hirsch to bring A Tuna Christmas to our holiday program; and stage-managed last season's Sunday in the Park With George. He's helped out at the NFCT gala and has coordinated painting parties to refresh the stage and proscenium (with the basement and rehearsal room coming soon!). It's his way of giving back to a place that has given him so much. Please consider joining Chris and other NFCT friends on February 17th at 11AM to paint the NFCT rehearsal room and hallway!

Renew your July 2023 – June 2024 NFCT Membership at nfct.com or by check to PO Box 86 Mattituck NY 11952

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\$10 per individual, \$20 per family

