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## Still Life Opens April 22

Fantasy is coming to Driftwood Theatre.

In Still Life with Iris, directed by Alex Eddy with Assistant Director Sara Henry, Iris lives with her mom in Nocturno, a magical land where workers make, by night, all of the things we see in the world by day. In Nocturno memories do not reside in people's minds, but instead are kept in their coats, called Past Coats. The rulers of Nocturno are determined to have the best of everything, and therefore take Iris from her home to be their daughter. They remove her Past Coat, leaving her with no memory of her home or family, except what remains in a single button from her coat.

Still Life was written by Seattle playwright Steven Dietz and premiered, in 1997, by Seattle Children's

Theatre. Though billed as a "play for young audiences," Director Eddy wouldn't call it a children's play.

"This play is for anyone and everyone who is still a little kid at heart," he wrote. It is "purely a fantasy" with "just as many lessons for adults to learn from it as there are for their kids."

The cast of 16 features seven new Driftwood Players: Destiny Blake, Casey Bronson, Emma Dorsch, Madison Lougheed, Amelia Moore, Jeff Ryser, and David Springe.

Iris is played by Chaela Watkins, 17, of Hoquaim, who recently appeared as Ariel in *The Little Mermaid* at 7th Street Theatre.

Helping to create the magical world are Teresa DuBois and Jeannie McNeal, costumes, and Julayne Fleury, set design.

### THE CAST

| IrisCHAELA WATKINS            |
|-------------------------------|
| Mr. MatternotIAN DORSCH       |
| Mom and                       |
| Mrs. OverlookKEOLA HOLT       |
| MozartSADIE KARL              |
| Annabel LeeREBECCA MEACHAM    |
| Gretta GoodJULAYNE FLEURY     |
| Grotto GoodCASEY BRONSON      |
| Memory MenderJEFF RYSER       |
| Thunder Bottler 1 and         |
| RayELI LUGO                   |
| Thunder Bottler 2 and         |
| Mr. OtherguyDAVID SPRINGE     |
| HazelEmma Dorsch              |
| ElmerAMELIA MOORE             |
| Leaf MonitorJESSAH KIAH       |
| Bolt Bender and               |
| Mr. HimtooDESTINY BLAKE       |
| Flower Painter and            |
| 3rd StringMADISON LOUGHEED    |
| Rain Maker and                |
| Captain AlsoTASHEENA FERGUSON |



**Chaela Watkins** 



**Alex Eddy** 



**Sara Henry** 

### **Play Dates**

April 22, 28, 29 and May 5, 6, 12, 13 at 7:30 p.m. May 14 at 1:30 p.m.

#### **Tickets**

At outlets, online, at the door: \$15 For students at the door only: \$10

### **Driftwood Awards**

The Driftwood Players annual awards banquet is Saturday, June 3, at the Grays Harbor Country Club. Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m.

Directors of Driftwood's 2016-17 plays are encouraged to notify their cast of the awards banquet date and time. Seven acting awards will be given, including the coveted Ham Award.

The Mabs George Service Award and the Betty Butler will also be given.

Details of the menu, ticket cost, and reservation deadline are set to be determined at the May 1 board meeting. For information or to purchase a ticket after May 1, call Business Manager Sue Keltner at 532-8243.

### John Wolfe

September 21, 1935 — February 16, 2017

John Wolfe, a charter member of Driftwood Players, died on February 16, 2017.

John appeared in the Players' inaugural production, *See How They Run,* in 1960. Over the next 25 years, he acted in over 20 plays, most at B Street Theatre in Hoquiam. He also directed,



volunteered as production staff for numerous shows, and served on the board of directors.

In 1985's *The Crucifer of Blood*, his final performance at Driftwood, John played Sherlock Holmes, for which he won the 1984-85 best actor award.

# **Attention Directors**

The time to submit a play for the 2017-18 season is now. Play selection is scheduled for the May board meeting.

To submit a play, contact Vice President Daryl Johnson at 580-8627 or Daryl.Johnson@kdux.com.

### Coming Soon

Here Lies Jeremy Troy
Comedy/Farce
Director Dave Lund

### **Play Dates**

July 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29

### **Auditions**

May 21 at 7 p.m. May 22 at 7 p.m. 3 Men · 2 Women

### ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR MAY 1

The Driftwood Players annual members meeting is at 6 p.m. Monday, May 1, at Driftwood Theatre.

Members will elect officers and trustees to the board. They will also choose the winners of the Mabs George Service Award and the Betty Butler.

Board members will select the plays for the 2017-18 season.

#### **Board election**

Trustees Debbie Scoones and Stacy Murphy have been appointed to recruit candidates for the officer and trustee elections. Any member in good standing for at least one season, or who has participated in the production of two shows of the 2016-17 season, is eligible to run. To volunteer, contact Debbie at 249-3649 or Stacy at 589-6080. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the May meeting.

The following officers serve a one year term, except the business manager, who serves for two years:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary

- · Business Manager
- Treasurer

Trustees serve for two years. The positions in bold are normally elected in even numbered years but are presently open, so they have one year terms.

- Buildings and Grounds
- · Children's Theatre
- Costumes
- Fundraising
- Historian
- Publicity
- Sets
- Volunteer Coordinator

#### Service awards

The Mabs George Service Award is Driftwood's highest honor. It is awarded to a member volunteer who demonstrates excellence and dedication to the theatre.

The Betty Butler is given to a member of the larger Grays Harbor community who has gone above and beyond in support of the theatre.

Nominations for the service awards will be made at the May meeting. Any member in good standing can make a nomination and cast a vote.