



# 2020—2021 Season Productions

## *Fox On The Fairway*

By Ken Ludwig

Sept. 9—Sept. 27, 2020

Directed by Gary Seddon



Bingham, president of the Quail Valley Country Club, is in a difficult position. Not by finding out that his newly hired hand, Justin, is in love with Louise, the waitress at the club house. Instead, the discovery that

the golfer he thought would play for his club has switched sides and has been recruited by his counterpart and opponent, the cocky and arrogant Dickie. The huge bet he had foolishly wagered is now likely to be lost. Fortunately, he discovers that Justin is actually quite a good golfer and finagles his nomination. When Justin learns that Louise has lost the engagement ring he gave her - she accidentally flushed it down the toilet - he comes unglued. The game resumes the next day, but Justin loses the lead and, upset, takes an unfortunate swing breaking his arm. Bingham is desperate, and the appearance of his wife complicates the matter, as she catches him much too close to Pamela, his sex-starved vice-president. Can Bingham find a replacement for Justin to win the game, win the wager, and get his life in order?

## *Separate Beds*

By M.J. Cruise

Oct. 21—Nov. 8, 2020

Directed by Bob La Salle



Ernie and Twink are in the autumn of their lives. In celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary, the couple's children send them on a Caribbean cruise. Free of chores and children, Ernie and Twink are wined, dined and introduced

to exciting people. When they meet the rich, seductive Blake and Beth, who still seem to have a perfect life together after ten years of marriage, Twink becomes infatuated with the other couple's lives and seeks to reignite the spark in her own marriage.

## *A Child's Christmas in Wales*

By Polly Hogan

Dec. 2—Dec. 20, 2020

Directed by Polly Hogan



A lyrical and heartwarming dramatization of Dylan Thomas's beloved story, adapted and directed by Polly Hogan. This magical tale was performed annu-

ally for 30 years at the Lyric Stage in Boston, Massachusetts. Filled with love, song and laughter, Thomas's memories of his curmudgeon uncles, tipsy aunts and boyhood friends make a perfect way to say Merry Christmas to those you love. This delightful show is a wonderful gift for all the family. "A wonderful Christmas present to be cherished again and again." WBZ-TV

## *Art of Murder*

By Joe DePietro

Jan. 20—Feb. 14, 2021

Directed by Jeff Dillon



In a remote estate in the countryside of Connecticut, Jack Brooks, one of the most accomplished and eccentric painters of his generation, awaits the imminent arrival of his art dealer. But, the visit is

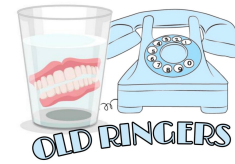
not a standard one for Jack feels wronged, and he is intending to kill the man. As Jack lays out his intentions for the evening, his wife, Annie, calmly paints. She is reluctant to go along with the plan until Jack's threat of violence convinces her otherwise. Harried and annoyed, Vincent, Jack's flamboyant art dealer, arrives. Will Jack carry out his plan? Will Annie help him? Or is something else going on?

## *Old Ringers*

By Joe Simonelli

March 10—April 4, 2021

Directed by Richard Levene



In this semi sequel to *Men Are Dogs*, four senior women try to fight the shrinking economy and their shrinking pocket-books by opening a home phone sex ser-

vice after receiving an unsolicited obscene phone call! This is an adult bawdy comedy and, although two characters are reprised from *Men Are Dogs*, the play stands on its own and a production of the earlier play is not a prerequisite!

## *Now and Then*

By Sean Grennan

Apr. 28—May 16, 2021

Directed by John Munn



An unbelievable, funny and ultimately moving story about love and its wayward ways. Jamie is a young aspiring pianist working as a bartender. He is closing up for the night when an amiable older gentleman, who

seems to know the place very well, enters and engages him in a friendly conversation. Jamie's girlfriend, Abby, comes in. They are very much in love. Before you know it, the gentleman offers them a thousand dollars - each - to sit and just talk with him for one hour. They both could use the money and with some reluctance agree, and then hear an incredible story that changes their lives. A surprising fable about what it means to really love someone.

## *Baggage*

By Sam Bobrick

June 9—June 27, 2021

Directed by Ron Bupp



Two difficult, single people, Phyllis and Bradley, both trying to heal from their respective disappointing relationships, get their luggage mixed up at the airport. After a very disagreeable first encounter, the two decide to help

each other get over their heartaches by forcing a friendship that eventually leads to the two discovering that while they may be too difficult for everyone else in the world, they are perfect for each other.

# 2020—2021 Showcase Productions

## MAGIC ELIXIR BAND

*Saturday, October 3, 2020; 7:30 pm*



Mark Rom & The Magic Elixir Band deliver their audiences fresh new original American Music, along with deep album cuts and classic soulful covers. Utilizing top local and national talent, each show brings you "Inside The Studio," with premium quality sound, an intimate chill vibe, and a memorable musical experience for all ages.

## JUKEBOX TIME MACHINE

*Sunday November 15, 2020; 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm*



Journey back in time with this unique musical that celebrates the jukebox hits through the decades - a multi-media tribute to the timeless artists and songs that topped the charts (including tributes to The Beatles, Glen Campbell, Johnny Cash, Judy Garland, Buddy Holly, Queen, and more). This is a true variety show - there is something for everyone! From the boppin' sounds of

the 50s and the generation-defining anthems of the 60s - through ever-changing styles of the 70s - Jukebox Time Machine is an entertaining blast to the past. With dynamic video, behind the scenes stories of the New York City music biz, and the joyful sounds of timeless tunes, this is more than a musical. It is an experience. Starring Pat and Donna Surface (American Pie) With Donna Surface as MC, and dramatically interpreting songs in Performance Art In Sign Language

## THE LES PAUL AND MARY FORD TRIBUTE SHOW

*Sunday, October 4, 2020; 2:00 pm*



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

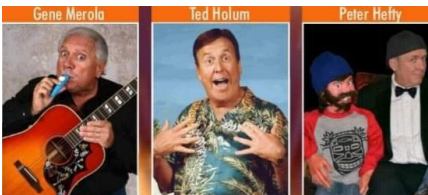
great entertainers of the past, Tom has a long personal history with THE great and famous guitar Icon. Tom and Les worked together, side by side for over 45 years on guitars, music, sound engineering, Les' personal performances and so much more... Oh the stories he has!

## OLD GUYS RULE COMEDY TOUR

*Saturday, October 10, 2020; 7:30 pm*

*Sunday, October 11, 2020; 2:00 pm*

The funniest, most unique and timely comedy variety show in the country. A comedy tribute to Baby Boomers.



## CHUCK GILLESPIE

*"Unforgettable Broadway"*

*Saturday, November 14, 2020; 7:30 pm*



"Unforgettable Broadway" is Chuck's personal journey through the greatest music and shows from this truly American art form, Musical Theatre. Chuck will perform many of his favorite Broadway standards from the greatest musicals ever staged. Included will be music composed by legends like Rodgers and Hammerstein and Lerner and Loewe through the decades to the genius of Stephen Sondheim and Andrew Lloyd-

Webber. Share this intimate evening with the artist who brought you to your feet last season with his "Tuxedo Men," the review of the great song stylists of our lives.

## JOHN TUFF AND FRIENDS

*Saturday, November 21, 2020; 7:30 pm*



John Tuff and Friends make their seventh 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. 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. This performance will also include guest artists Shari Frink and Rich Church. Shari is an outstanding vocalist and Rich is an extremely gifted lead guitar player. Join us for a great night!

## BILL GLADWELL

*Saturday, December 26, 2020; 7:30 pm*

*Saturday, January 2, 2021; 7:30 pm*



During his 90-minute performance, Bill seemingly pulls thoughts directly from your mind, predicts what you will say before it comes out of your mouth, reads you like an open book, and exceeds your expectations. 93% of communication is your body language and the way that you say things. That means that most of what you are saying is not coming out of your mouth. Bill has spent the last three decades mastering the art of reading these cues to know what you are feeling and thinking...

sometimes even before you do.

# 2020—2021 Showcase Productions

## PAISLEY CRAZE

Saturday, January 9, 2021; 7:30 pm



Paisley Craze continues to bring you the world changing, Rockadelic music of the Peace & Love Movement of the 1960s! From Woodstock era favorites of Hendrix, Joplin, The Who, CCR & CSNY to Bob Dylan, The Byrds, John Lennon, Bob Marley and other classics from the musical era of Peace & Love! Come out and join us for a night of good vibes and good Rock & Roll!

## JIMMY MAZZ

Sunday, February 28, 2021; 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm



Legends & Laughter is a high energy comedic musical journey featuring spot-on vocal impressions of greats like Johnny Cash, Rod Stewart, Frankie Valli, Neil Diamond, Tom Jones, Englebert Humperdinck, Tony Orlando, Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, The Beatles, Elton John, Billy Joel, Joe Cocker, The Temptations, and yes, "The King," Elvis Presley plus many more. You'll laugh, cry, clap and sing along to every song. Never the same show twice; this is a must see show!

## MARCY DOWNEY

"FLASHBACK! Fun with the 60s and 70s"

Saturday, February 20, 2021; 7:30 pm

### Marcy Downey



Marcy Downey brings to the stage an explosion of top hits from those famous decades—great songs by The Four Seasons, Carpenters, The Drifters, Ann Murray, ABBA, The Beatles, Disco Divas, Simon and Garfunkel, James Taylor and Carole King. Blockbuster songs *YMCA*, *Bad Bad Leroy Brown*, and *After The Lovin*. Plus comedy bits, *Moon Blossom the Dippy Hippie*, "Silly 60s Songs and Marcy's

own creation, *The 70s in 3 1/2 Minutes!* You'll remember the songs, you'll laugh with the good times!

## JAMES HAWKINS

Sunday, April 11, 2021; 2:00 pm



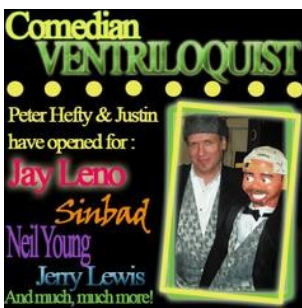
My name is James Hawkins. I am a folksinger/songwriter living in the Venice area. I write songs and collect stories. Historical stories mostly about the early days of Venice, Sarasota and this beautiful land of flowers called Florida in which we live. My tools are simple, guitar, Bodhran and a Banjo. I hope you'll drop by, pull up a chair and let's "Turn Back Time."

## GID POOL AND FRIENDS

Saturday, February 27, 2021; 7:30 pm

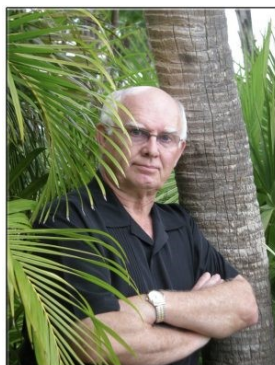
Saturday, April 17, 2021; 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 18, 2021; 2:00 pm (With Peter Hefty)



Gid Pool appears on the Lemon Bay Playhouse stage once again. Gid is the winner of two comedy festivals and was judged "Best of the Night" for his performance at the largest comedy festival in the world, the Edinburgh "Fringe" Festival. He has also performed at the world-famous Atlantis Resort in the Bahamas. Gid's comedy has been showcased on the Today Show and written about in a feature article in the Wall Street Journal. Jane Pauley wrote about him

in her book, "Your Life Calling." Want to know why men don't understand women? He knows and he's talking.



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# AUDITIONS

All auditions are held at the Playhouse, 96 West Dearborn Street in downtown Englewood on the announced dates (usually Sundays and Mondays at 7 p.m.)

Scripts and sides will be available for perusal below (sides only) or at the Box Office between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm weekdays. However, advance preparation isn't required. In most cases, the director will ask you to read from the script. Callbacks are scheduled, if necessary, at the discretion of the director.

We will be doubling-up auditions for some of the shows in our upcoming season. This is sometimes referred to as cluster auditions (auditioning multiple shows on the same date).

Actors will have the option of auditioning for one or both shows but because the shows run back to back, **actors who are cast can only do one of the two shows.**

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**Auditions: 7/19/20-7/20/20**

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By: M.J. Cruise

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**Auditions: 8/30/20-8/31/20**

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ART OF MURDER 1/20/21 – 2/14/21

By: Joe DePietro

Directed By: Jeff Dillon

**Auditions: 11/22/20-11/23/20**

OLD RINGERS 3/10/21 - 4/4/21

By: Joe Simonelli

Directed By: Richard Levene

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NOW AND THEN 4/28/21 - 5/16/21

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BAGGAGE 6/9/21– 6/27/21

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# Lemon Bay Playhouse



Join the fun at

## Readers Theatre

LBP Readers Theatre 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 Theatre? 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 theatre fans!

### *Bringing the fun to you*

#### Readers Theatre Outreach Program

Members are available to perform at local libraries, clubs, and other community organizations free of charge.

Do you know an organization or club that would like to treat its membership to a look into the magical world of live theatre? Readers Theatre's Outreach Program offers short, simply staged performances for either 10 or 20 minutes, creating a unique experience for your group. There is no charge, although a donation to Lemon Bay Playhouse is appreciated. This could be an exciting addition to a monthly meeting, a special luncheon, a membership drive, or a promotional function!

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#### Volunteers Make A Difference

It takes a lot of people to support a good community theatre. 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. These volunteers help manage activities in areas such as the box office, house managing, publications, graphics 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

We strive to improve diversity and enrich the greater Englewood community through live theatre, volunteerism, education in the performing arts, and to provide a venue for other cultural activities.

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#### **Tickets:**

Individual Performance - \$ 23.00

Student (with proper ID) - \$ 18.00

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

Tickets are non-refundable and only exchangeable for a different date of the same production.

#### **Box Office Hours:**

10:00 am to 2:00 pm Mon.—Fri. and one hour before performances  
(941) 475-6756

#### **Curtain Times:**

7:30 pm Wed. - Sat. evenings,  
2:00 pm Sun. matinees

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#### **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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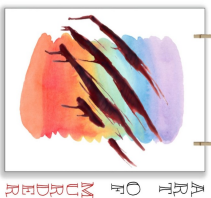
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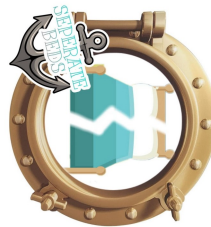
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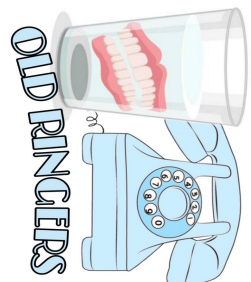
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