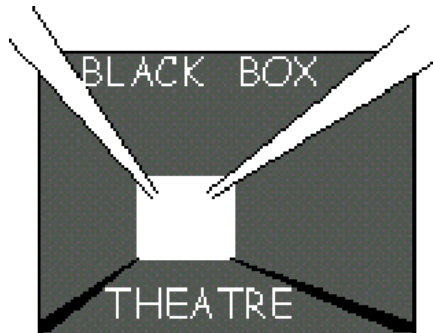


# NO STRINGS THEATRE COMPANY



2021-2022

Resident theatre company  
at the



**Black Box Theatre**

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# NSTC's 2019-2020 SEASON

**June 11-June 27, 2021**

## ***Every Brilliant Thing***

**By Duncan Macmillan, with Jonny Donahoe**

**Directed by Ceil Herman, Featuring Autumn Gieb**

You're six years old. Mum's in hospital. Dad says she's "done something stupid." She finds it hard to be happy. So you start to make a list of everything that's brilliant about the world. Everything that's worth living for. You leave it on her pillow. You know she's read it because she's corrected your spelling. Soon, the list will take on a life of its own.

"Every Brilliant Thing" *finds a perfect balance between conveying the struggles of life, and celebrating all that is sweet in it.* —*The Independent (London)*. "Every Brilliant Thing" *is sad, but it is also gloriously funny and exceptionally warm. It's a show that spells out a little of what depression can do to people, but it also highlights the irrepressible resilience of the human spirit and the capacity to find delight in the everyday.* —*Time Out (London)*.

**August 6 – August 22, 2021**

## ***A Coupla White Chicks Sitting Around Talking***

**By John Ford Noonan, Directed By Robert "Bobcat" Young**

This two-character comedy takes place in suburban Westchester County, New York kitchen of Maude Mix, who is having a tough day: her husband is off on a weekend spree with his secretary and she can't get rid of the pesky neighbor who has just moved up from Texas. Hannah Mae Bindler badgers Maude into friendship and the two eventually join forces against their errant and erring husbands. *A lighter than air comedy* – *Time Magazine*

**September 24-October 10, 2021**

## ***Laughing Wild***

**By Christopher Durang, Directed by Ceil Herman**

A provocative, inventive, and very funny study of the perils of modern life in urban America. Unique in form, the play consists of two monologues (one for each performer) plus a hilarious playlet which brings the two together and explores more fully the converging dreams and themes set forth in their solo expositions. "Mr. Durang is one of the funniest men in the world, able to make the audience laugh out loud time and time again, taking us by surprise with his one-of-a-kind jokes and relentless bitter satire." —*The New Yorker*. "At their liveliest, the monologues offer splenetic laughter, imaginatively induced." —*NY Times*. "The laughs just keep rolling in "Laughing Wild" —*Variety*.

**November 19-December 5, 2021**

## ***Daddy Long Legs***

**Book by John Caird, and Music and Lyrics by Paul Gordon, Directed by Nikka Ziemer**

Based on the classic novel, which inspired the 1955 movie starring Fred Astaire, *Daddy Long Legs* is a beloved tale in the spirit of Jane Austen, The Brontë Sisters and "Downton Abbey." *Daddy Long Legs* features music and lyrics by Tony Award-nominated composer/lyricist, Paul Gordon (*Jane Eyre*), and Tony-winning librettist/director, John Caird (*Les Misérables*), and is a "rags-to-riches" tale of newfound love.

Jerusha Abbott is the "Oldest Orphan in the John Grier Home" until a mysterious benefactor decides to send her to college to be educated as a writer. Required to write him a letter once a month, she is never to know the benefactor's identity – so she invents one for him: Daddy Long Legs. Jerusha's letters chronicle her emergence as a delightfully independent "New American Woman." Yet, there is one startling fact that Jerusha has yet to uncover – a fact that will change her life forever.

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**January 28-February 13, 2022**

***Radium Girls***

**By D.W. Gregory, Directed by Autumn Gieb**

In 1926, radium was a miracle cure, and luminous watches the latest rage—until the girls who painted them began to fall ill with a mysterious disease. Inspired by a true story, *Radium Girls* traces the efforts of Grace Fryer, a dial painter, as she fights for her day in court. *Radium Girls* is a fast-moving, highly theatrical ensemble piece for 9 actors, who play more than 30 parts—friends, co-workers, lovers, relatives, attorneys, scientists, consumer advocates, and myriad interested bystanders. Called a "powerful" and "engrossing" drama by critics, *Radium Girls* offers a wry, unflinching look at the peculiarly American obsessions with health, wealth, and the commercialization of science.

**March 18-April 3, 2022**

***Mother Courage***

**By Bertolt Brecht Directed by Joshua Taulbee**

Widely considered one of the great dramatic creations of the modern stage, *Mother Courage and Her Children* is Bertolt Brecht's most passionate and profound statement against war. Set in the seventeenth century, the play follows Mother Courage, an itinerant trader, as she pulls her wagon of wares and her children through the blood and carnage of Europe's religious wars. In the enduring figure of Mother Courage, Bertolt Brecht has created one of the most extraordinary characters in literature. *Mother Courage* is considered by some to be the greatest play of the 20th century, and perhaps also the greatest anti-war play of all time.

**May 6-22, 2022**

***The Standby Lear***

**By John W. Lowell, Directed by Ceil Herman**

A funny, tender new play by John W. Lowell, critically acclaimed and award-winning author of *The Letters*. The actor playing King Lear has fallen ill. Augie, the understudy, is handed the opportunity to play one of the greatest roles ever written for the stage. Now that the last great opportunity in Augie's long acting career has arrived, is he up to the task, or is it too late?

## **NSTC Tickets for the 2021-2022 Season**

Despite the continually rising costs of producing quality theatre, both for royalties and the supplies needed for productions, we have been able to maintain our 2016-2017 ticket prices of \$15.00 for regular admissions and \$12.00 for students and seniors over 65. Coupon packs and our PPP Package prices remain unchanged as well

## **NSTC Preferred Patron Package for 2021-2022**

The Preferred Patron Package (PPP) is the best bargain and provides additional benefits. The PPP is a season ticket to the 7 regular season NSTC productions listed in this flier.

You get 7 admissions for less than the the price of 6 compared to single ticket prices (\$15.00 Regular and \$12.00 Students & Seniors over 65) which is a \$20.00 saving on Regular admissions and \$14.00 less for Students and Seniors.

PPP tickets for Regular patrons are \$85.00 and are \$70.00 for Seniors (over 65) & Students.

### ***PPP theatre goers will receive***

- A flexi-pass with seven admissions which may be used in any combination for the 2018-19 season. These flexible passes allow you to come to every show or use several admissions for one show.
- Priority in seat selection and reserved seats

## **NSTC Money Saving Coupon Packs**

Want even more flexibility? Packs have 5 coupons at \$1.00 less than each normal admission. They can be used for any performance of any NSTC production in any combination. Bring 4 friends and use them all at one performance or use one at each of 5 performances. They have no expiration date so you can use them next season or anytime. Packs for Regular patrons are \$70.00. Packs for Seniors (over 65) and Students are \$55.00.

## **Another Way to Save on NSTC Admissions**

**Bargain Night:** The Thursday performance is always a bargain at NSTC. All seats for this 7:00 pm show are \$10.00. Come early to choose your seat.

## **Help No Strings Theatre Company!**

Ticket sales don't cover our full costs of bringing you high quality theatre. We rely on adventurous, open-minded individuals like you to help maintain our balance. No Strings Theatre Company is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization and your contributions to the theatre are tax deductible as allowed under the tax codes.

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Contribution Level</b>
Contributor	\$10-\$24
Donor	\$25-\$49
Supporter	\$50-\$99
Patron	\$100-\$249
Sponsor	\$250-499
Benefactor	\$500-\$999
Angel	\$1000-\$4999
Producer	\$500 and up

Contributors in all categories receive a listing in all programs for the season and invitations to special events at the Black Box Theatre. In addition, Patrons receive a coupon pack. Sponsors, Benefactors, and Angels receive two coupon packs.

## **Volunteer Your Time**

In addition to actors, we always need both backstage and front-of-house help. Volunteers work as ushers, box office staff, house managers, as well as designers, technicians, board operators, and stage hands. You don't need to be experienced for many of the jobs. We can train you. All you need is a love of theater and some spare time. Volunteer and become an important part of Las Cruces' best theatrical experience. Just fill out the form on the right and we will contact you.

## **Let's Hear from You**

NO STRINGS THEATRE COMPANY wants to remain accessible to our community. We believe that art is for everybody and we want to know how we are doing. E-mail [nstcbt@zianet.com](mailto:nstcbt@zianet.com) to give us comments, suggestions, brickbats or bouquets, ask to be added to our mailing list or request more information on what we're all about. We'd love to hear from you! Visit us online at [www.no-strings.org](http://www.no-strings.org).

# ***NSTC Response Form***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please include me on the NSTC e-mail list

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Please fill in the blank with the number of PPP tickets you need***

\_\_\_\_ *Regular PPPs (Season Tickets) @ \$85.00*

\_\_\_\_ *Senior/Student PPPs (Season Tickets) @ \$70.00*

***Please fill in the number of Coupon Packs you need***

\_\_\_\_ *Regular 5-Coupon Packs @ \$70.00*

\_\_\_\_ *Senior/Student 5-Coupon Packs @ \$55.00*

**Yes, I want to make a contribution of \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED**                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***Please make checks payable to: No Strings Theatre Company.***

**You may turn your order in at the Box Office or mail it to: No Strings Theatre Company, 430 N. Main Street, Las Cruces, NM 88001**

**Yes, I want to volunteer my time!**

**Area(s) of interest:**