

News & Notes

Calling all volunteers!

Would you like to see one of our shows without paying a cent? When you volunteer to usher or sell concessions you get to see the show for FREE!

Longtime volunteer coordinator Suzie Wattenbarger is taking a well-deserved hiatus from managing our volunteer list. We have established a new email address for coordinating the volunteer opportunities. Please contact Workshop Theatre at WTVolunteer1@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer at one of our performances.

Acting School classes & camps

The Workshop Theatre School of Performing Arts will be offering several camps and classes throughout the summer to help keep your children busy and engaged.

In addition to the wide variety of classes and camps, the acting school also offers individual lessons including acting, dance, and voice lessons.

For more information be sure to visit workshoptheatre.com. Classes are available for both children and adults.

Mark your calendars

String of Pearls
May 18 - 27

Shrek Jr
June 21-24

String of Pearls

Deeply moving, fresh, funny drama

Workshop Theatre concludes the 2017-2018 member season with Michele Lowe's *String of Pearls*, running from May 18-27.

String of Pearls explores the possibilities that open up in the lives of an array of women as they come into contact with a certain strand of pearls. While the pearls are stolen, bought, bestowed, unstrung and nearly lost, six actresses play 27 characters in this deeply moving drama that is as fresh as it is funny.

On the eve of her granddaughter Amy's wedding, Beth asks to see the pearls she gave Amy's mother long ago. When Amy cannot produce them, Beth determines to find the pearls. She takes us back to the time when she received them and then gave them to her daughter, who passed them on to her dearest friend Ela who lost them one Sunday morning.

Spanning 35 years, the pearls touch the lives of mothers and daughters, sisters and friends, even husbands and wives as they weave a deeply affecting



story of love and loss.

Zsuzsa Manna makes her Workshop Theatre directorial debut with this innovative show. The cast features the talents of Christine Hellman, Krista Forster, Sandra Hamlin-Rivers, Ellen Rodillo-Fowler, Cathy Carter Scott, and Alyssa Velazquez as they tackle the various roles.

General admission ticket sales begin for members on May 9, and for the general public beginning May 11. Tickets can be purchased online at workshoptheatre.com or by calling the Box Office at 803-799-6551 from noon to 5 pm during the

week. On the weekends, the Box Office opens two hours before the show begins. Tickets are also available at the door the day of the show.

All performances will be at Columbia College's Cottingham Theatre, located at 1301 Columbia College Drive, Columbia, SC, 29203. Parking is available on campus.

Please note there is no performance on Saturday, May 19.

DUE TO CONTENT *STRING OF PEARLS* IS RECOMMENDED FOR MATURE AUDIENCES ONLY.

Show Dates & Times:
May 18, 23, 24, 25, 26 at 8 pm
Sunday matinees, May 20 & 27 at 3 pm

- Priority for filling orders:**
- 1) 2017-2018 Members who mail in orders.
 - 2) 2017-2018 Members may reserve online, call or come to the box office beginning May 9, noon to 5:30 pm.
 - 3) Non-members who mail in orders.
 - 4) Non-members may reserve online, call or come to the theatre starting May 11, noon to 5:30 pm.

**Tickets are available online at www.workshoptheatre.com.
Online orders occur in real time 24 hours a day after the initial start time.**

All performances of String of Pearls

will be held at
Cottingham Theatre
on the campus of
Columbia College.

1301 Columbia College Drive
Columbia, SC 29203

Seating will be general admission.

Next Up

June 21-24, 2018

Shrek the musical jr

Book and Lyrics by: David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by: Jeanine Tesori

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig

Directed by: Hans Boeschen

Music Direction by: Jordan Harper

Choreography by: Katie Hilliger

Beauty is in the eye of the ogre in *Shrek The Musical JR.*, based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film and fantastic Broadway musical. It's a "big bright beautiful world" as everyone's favorite ogre, Shrek, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and find true acceptance. Part romance and part twisted fairy tale, *Shrek JR.* is an irreverently fun show with a powerful message for the whole family.

Once upon a time, in a faraway swamp, there lived an ogre named Shrek. One day, Shrek finds his swamp invaded by banished fairytale misfits who have been cast off by Lord Farquaad, a tiny terror with big ambitions. When Shrek sets off with a wisecracking donkey to confront Farquaad, he's handed a task – if he rescues feisty princess Fiona, his swamp will be righted. Shrek tries to win Fiona's love and vanquish Lord Farquaad, but a fairytale wouldn't be complete without a few twists and turns along the way.



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workshoptheatre.com

PRICES:

Adults - \$20 Seniors - \$17
Military - \$17 Students - \$15

String of Pearls order form

Name: _____

Reservation Date: _____

Day Phone: _____ Night Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

___ Member @ \$0 each

___ Adults @ \$20 each \$ _____

___ Seniors/Military @ \$17 each \$ _____

___ Students @ \$15 each \$ _____

___ Total \$ _____

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There will not be a show on May 19th.

May 2018

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

_____ In addition to my ticket order, I would like to enclose an additional gift to Workshop Theatre in the amount of \$ _____, which I understand is 100% tax deductible.

I have enclosed a check for \$ _____ or please charge my

MC/Visa/AMEX/Discover card # _____ Exp. Date: _____ v-code: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mail this form to Workshop Theatre Box Office, PO Box 11555, Columbia, SC 29211.

Pre-ordered tickets will be held for you at the Will Call table the night of the show.