

The audience is the most revered member of the theater. Without an audience, there is no theater. Everything done is ultimately for the enjoyment of the audience. They are our guests, fellow players, and the last spoke in the wheel which can then begin to roll. They make the performance meaningful.—Viola Spolin

As the new season begins, Village Playbox will again strive to bring you, our patrons and advertisers, the very best in live entertainment in South Jersey, as we continue the tradition of quality filled performances. We are able to continue the tradition only through the dedicated support of your memberships and support. As always, YOU are our greatest asset, and YOU are greatly appreciated.

The shows from last season were fantastic with great stories, wonderful casts and hard working crews. You may ask, "What could be grander than that?" It's the new season line up. We have a variety of shows to whet your appetite for drama, comedy, and even a musical thrown in, to entertain you over the next season. You just can't get a better deal than that. To compliment this new line up, you will have directors who bring years of experience and dedication to the stage. You will be introduced to some actors who will be making their debut at acting, and of course some veteran actors, we anticipate wonderful results from their individual efforts.

We hope to see all of you showcasing your talent at an audition, supporting us in the audience, or lending a hand backstage. Although we love seeing veterans returning for auditions, we love to see fresh talent there as well. When we see new faces, we know that we are reaching out to the community; inspiring you to try something that you have never tried before or haven't done in several years. You, the community, are what makes Village Playbox run. Without volunteers and supporters, Village Playbox would not be what it is today. The fact that we are going into our 74th season shows that there are many of you out there that have kept supporting us throughout the years. So thank you for all that you have done.

Laughter is infectious, and it really is the best medicine. If we bring a smile to your face and laughter to your heart, then we have indeed achieved our goal to entertain YOU!

The Village Playbox
PO Box 35
Haddon Heights, NJ 08035



Join us for our 74th Season

2013 - 2014



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Arctic & Old Lace
 By Joseph Kesselring
 Directed by Michael Hicks

The play is a farcical comedy revolving around Mortimer Brewster, a drama critic who must deal with his crazy, homicidal family and local police in Brooklyn, NY, as he debates whether to go through with his recent promise to marry the woman he loves. His family includes two spinster aunts who have taken to murdering lonely old men by poisoning them with a glass of home-made elderberry wine laced with arsenic, strychnine, and "just a pinch" of cyanide; a brother who believes he is Theodore Roosevelt and digs locks for the Panama Canal in the cellar of the Brewster home (which then serve as graves for the aunts' victims); and a murderous brother who has received plastic surgery performed by an alcoholic accomplice, Dr. Einstein to conceal his identity and now looks like horror-film actor Boris Karloff.

November 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15 and 16, 2013



The Fantasticks
 Book by Tom Jones
 Music by Harvey Schmidt
 Lyrics by Tom Jones
 Directed by John Blackwell

The show's original off-Broadway production ran a total of 42 years and 17,162 performances, making it the world's longest-running musical. It tells a story, loosely based on the play The Romancers by Edmond Rostand, concerning two neighboring fathers who trick their children, Luisa and Matt, into falling in love by pretending to feud. The fathers hire traveling actors to stage a mock abduction, so that Matt can heroically seem to save Luisa, ending the supposed feud. When the children discover the deception, they reject the arranged love match and separate. Each then gains disillusioning experiences of the real world, seen in parallel fantasy sequences. They return to each other bruised but enlightened, and they renew their vows with more maturity.

January 31, February 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, and 15, 2014



Be My Baby
 By Ken Ludwig
 Directed by Steve Allen

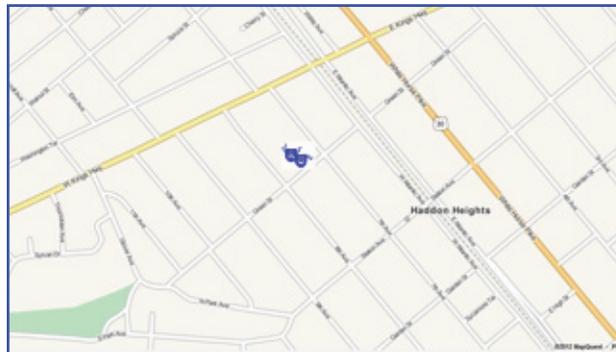
The play tells the story of John, an irascible Scotsman and an uptight English woman, Maude, both in their late 50s, who take on the journey of a lifetime. They are brought together when his ward marries her niece. Then, when the young couple decides to adopt a new born baby, the older couple has to travel 6,000 miles to California to pick up the child and bring her safely home to Scotland. The problem is, John and Maude despise each other. To make matters worse, they get stranded in San Francisco for several weeks and are expected to jointly care for the helpless newborn. There they form a new partnership and learn some startling lessons about life and love.

May 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16 and 17, 2014

All shows are held at:
 First Presbyterian Church of Haddon Heights, 28 Seventh Avenue, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035
 (Handicap accessible)

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DIRECTIONS
 We are located on Green St., between 7th Ave. & 8th Ave.



Ticket Pricing

Non-Musical	Regular	Senior	Student
At The Door	\$15	\$13	\$10
Online (Internet)	\$13	\$11	\$8

Musical	Regular	Senior	Student
At The Door	\$18	\$15	\$12
Online (Internet)	\$15	\$13	\$10

SEASON TICKETS – \$40
 (includes 3 show tickets and 1 flex ticket that can be used at any of the shows)

*Haddon Heights Residents and First Presbyterian Church Congregation can purchase a Season Ticket for the special price of \$30. That's a savings of 55% off regular box office ticket prices or 25% off Regular Season ticket purchase.

BOX OFFICE
 The box office opens thirty minutes before show time. All tickets are general admission seating on a first come basis. Please arrive no later than 5 minutes before curtain time.

GROUP RATES
 Groups of 10 or more will receive a special group rate. Contact us at info@villageplaybox.org for details.

CREDIT/DEBIT
 For your convenience, we now accept all major credit/debit cards for online purchase. Tickets MUST BE ordered more than 24 hours in advance of performance date. Individuals purchasing tickets on same day as performance are NOT guaranteed a seat for that show.

