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The Beauty Queen of Leenane

by Martin McDonagh

March 1 - March 16, 2024

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CONSTELLATIONS

By Nick Payne

Directed by Felicity Winter



Friday
June 7
8 PM

Saturday
June 8
8 PM

Sunday
June 9
3 PM



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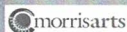
Produced & Directed by
Susan Speidel

Musical Direction by
Joseph Regan

Friday, April 12 & Saturday, April 13
Doors open at 7:00 pm, music begins at 7:30 pm



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Chatham Community Players

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TUESDAY AFTERNOONS - APRIL 16 TO JUNE 4

Tuition - \$120/class

All classes take place at The Chatham Playhouse

THE JOY OF IMPROV (ages 12-17) 3:30 pm

Students will explore the fundamentals of improvisation through exercises and games while developing spontaneity, playfulness, imagination, and self-confidence. Listening and verbal skills will be enhanced, as well as individual creativity.

INTRODUCTION TO MUSICAL THEATER (ages 7-11) 4:30 pm

Designed for young performers itching to get on stage, this class provides a foundation in musical performance style and vocal technique, and will help them gain the confidence to stand center stage.

ADVANCED MUSICAL THEATER (ages 12-17) 5:30 pm

In a class designed for students with previous training and/or experience in musical theater, participants will nurture their emerging performance skills, increase musicality and vocal technique, and enhance their ability to act through a song.

Additional Information and Registration at www.chathamplayers.org.

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The Beauty Queen of Leenane

by Martin McDonagh

DIRECTED BY

Bill Purdy

PRODUCED BY

Jessica Phelan

SET DESIGN

Roy Pancirov

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The Barn Theater

March 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, and 16, 2024, at 8:00 p.m.; March 10, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

THE CHATHAM PLAYHOUSE

23 North Passaic Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey

The Beauty Queen of Leenane was first presented by the Druid Theatre Company/Royal Court Theatre at the Town Hall Theatre, Galway, Ireland, on February 1st, 1996.

The Beauty Queen of Leenane is presented by arrangement with Broadway Licensing, New York, NY.

Cast

Mag SHARON GARRY
Maureen ELISSA STRELL
Ray PETER CORLEY

Setting

Leenane, a small town in Connemara, County Calway

Production Staff

Fight Choreography: *Steven Ruskin*; Intimacy Coordinator, *Katie Toledo*; Props/Backstage Crew, *Corina Lupp, Brian Gutierrez*; Casting, *Gus Ibranyi*; Front of House, *Bob Denmark*; Graphic Designer, *Gordon Wiener*; Painting, *Joëlle Bochner*; Programs & Box Office, *Kathy Rex*; Publicity, *Chris Furlong*; Special Effects, *Caroline Yorke & Brian Gutierrez*

There will be one fifteen-minute intermission.

WHO'S WHO ONSTAGE

SHARON GARRY (*Mag*) is honored to return to CCP. Roles include *Inspecting Carol* (Zorah Bloch) at CCP, *The Loman Family Picnic* (Doris) and *Three Viewings* (Maggie) at 12 Miles West, and *Dinner with Friends* (Karen) at Summit Playhouse. Additionally, Sharon recently directed *Superior Donuts* at The Barn, *It's a Wonderful Life* at Studio Players, and *Grand Horizons* at CCP. Much love to Michael and Corey.

ELISSA STRELL (Maureen) can hardly believe her good fortune to be able to bring this role to life in a play she adores. At CCP, Elissa has appeared in *Lost in Yonkers* (Bella), *Taming of the Shrew* (Katherine), and *Jersey Voices*. Favorite roles elsewhere include *Still Life* (Carrie Ann) and *The Last Night of Ballyhoo* (Sunny). Thanks always to Mom, for the gift of complex mother-daughter relationships. Wish you were here for this one. Love to Steve and Tyler for your ongoing patience and support.

PETER CORLEY (Ray) recently appeared in *The Pillowman* (Katurian), Nutley Little Theatre, and in *It's A Wonderful Life* (George Bailey) and *The Real Thing* (Billy), Montclair's Studio Players. For CCP, Peter was in *The Flick* (Skylar/Dreaming Man) and *A Christmas Carol (2022)* (Fred/Young Scrooge). He is a graduate of the musical theater program at Circle in the Square, with credits in *The Seagull* (Konstantin) and as a returning guest artist alum in *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* and *See What I Wanna See*.

WHO'S WHO BACKSTAGE

BILL PURDY (*Director*) began his community theater career in the ensemble of Chatham's 1985 production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*. After years of onstage and backstage activity elsewhere, he returns to Chatham to direct *The Beauty Queen of Leenane*, one of his favorite plays. Previous directorial credits include *The Revlon Girl* in 2020. Much thanks to this talented cast and crew.

JESSICA PHELAN (*Producer*) is best known to CCP audiences as the face of *Jersey Voices*, which she has produced since 2018. Previous CCP onstage credits include *Grand Horizons* (Jess), *Play On!* (Aggie), and *Barnum* (Ensemble). Other onstage local credits: *Cryano* (Roxane), *Sense & Sensibility* (Lucy Steele), *The Revolutionists* (Marie Antoinette), *Thinner Than Water* (Cassie), *Seminar* (Kate), and *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (Maggie.)

ED WHITMAN (*Lighting and Set Design*) has designed the lighting for *Fat Pig*, *Mary's Wedding*, *Gruesome Playground Injuries*, *Play On*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Jersey Voices*, and *Sundays@7* at CCP. He has designed lighting at Cranford Dramatic Club and other theaters as well as working with the Light Opera of NJ. Ed is involved with set construction at CCP as well as other community theaters in the area.

EILEEN CADORETTE (*Stage Manager*) brings experience spanning many decades and venues, including The Public Theatre, Circle in the Square, Sheridan Square Playhouse, The WPA, and The Village Theatre. Recent: CCP-*The Lifespan of A Fact* (Producer), *The Flick*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Calendar Girls*, ASM; Nutley Little Theatre-*The Pillowman*, SM; The Theater Project-*The Hunchback of Seville*, *Exit Strategy*, SM; and Alliance Repertory-*The Good Father*, *Church & State*, *Circle Mirror Transformation*, SM. Thanks to Bill and Jessica for bringing me onboard and to our exceptional cast and production team. Break legs, everyone!

MELANIE RAJPAL (*Costume Design*) is excited to be part of her first show with the Chatham Community Players! Previously, she assisted with costumes on the Wharton's Community Players' production of *Cyrano*. She wishes the cast and crew the best of luck and to break a leg!

CAROL PETERSEN SASO (*Props*) has held many positions over her years with Chatham Community Players, but her passion has always been working behind the scenes as props chair and set decorator. She is honored to have been nominated for a Perry award for her work last season and says the people of CCP make it a welcoming and fun "second home." Enjoy the show, then consider joining us!


STEVEN RUSKIN (*Fight Choreographer*) recently did fights for *Peter and The Star Catcher* (Montclair), *King Charles III* (Montclair), *The Pillowman* (Nutley), and *MacBeth* (CHS). He is the Co-Chair and Co-Producer for *One Weekend Only* at Chatham. He has written and direct-

ed for *Jersey Voices*, and done set and sound design and directed many shows for CCP's Fantasy Theater. Back in the day he worked film production doing mostly special effects and stop motion. Steve teaches Tai Chi, Wing Chun Kung-Fu and stick fighting. He writes movie reviews for AV Maniacs.

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
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May 3 - May 18, 2024

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SUNDAYS@7

Play Readings & refreshments!
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featuring one-act plays by New Jersey authors
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No special talents or experience are required, so join the fun,
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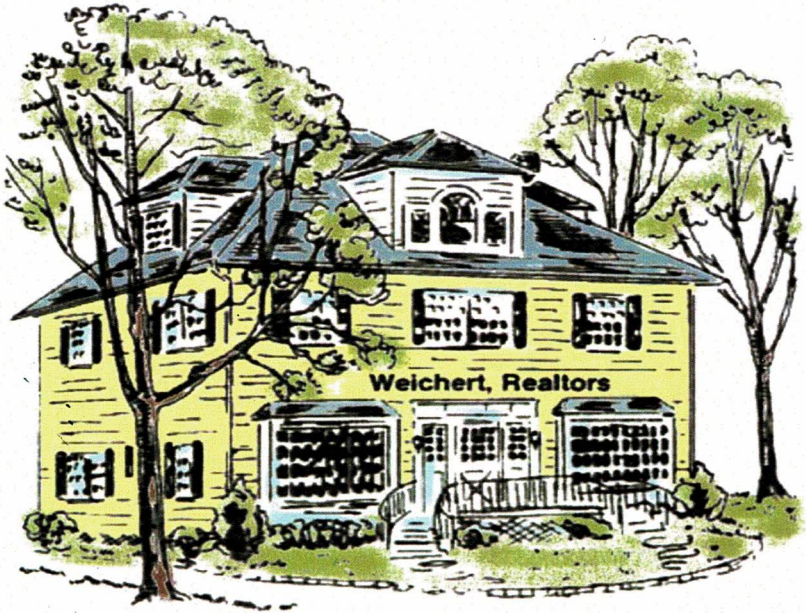
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| A Christmas Carol | A Christmas Carol |
| The Flick | The Taming of the Shrew |
| The Lifespan of a Fact | The Fantasticks |
| 2021-2022 Time Stands Still | 2011-12 Bug |
| Tuck Everlasting | The Grapes of Wrath |
| Calendar Girls | Cabaret |
| 2020-21*A Christmas Carol | 2010-11 Rabbit Hole |
| (Virtual) | A Christmas Carol |
| 2019-20*The Humans | Glengarry Glen Ross |
| Lost In Yonkers | Beyond Therapy |
| 2018-19 Other Desert Cities | 2009-10 The Graduate |
| A Christmas Carol | The Pillowman |
| Play On! | Oliver! |
| The Importance of Being | 2008-09 Wait Until Dark |
| Earnest | A Christmas Carol |
| 2017-18 Barefoot In the Park | Inherit the Wind |
| Steel Magnolias | California Suite |
| Grease | 2007-08 Crimes of the |
| 2016-17 Talk Radio | Heart |
| A Christmas Carol | Ah, Wilderness |
| Bell, Book and Candle | Little Woman, Musical |
| Moon Over Buffalo | 2006-07 A View From the |
| 2015-16 August: Osage County | Bridge |
| The Lion In Winter | Come Back to the Five and |
| Spamalot | Dime, Jimmy Dean, ... |
| 2014-15 Clybourne Park | City of Angels |
| A Christmas Carol | 2005-06 Brighton Beach |
| Spatter Pattern | Memoirs |
| The Three Musketeers | A Christmas Carol |
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