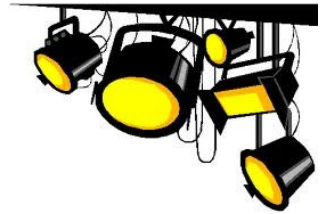




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Glass Menagerie Opens October 24

VCCT's Fall 2014 show, "The Glass Menagerie," directed by Tim Dorgan, is set to open on October 24, 2014 at Paddock Hall in Rochelle.

"The Glass Menagerie" tells the story of Amanda Wingfield, a Southern belle past her prime, living with two grown children in a small apartment in St. Louis. Amanda dreams of a better life for her shy and crippled daughter Laura, and so she pushes her son, Tom, to find a "gentleman caller" for the girl.

However, the arrival of the gentleman caller sends shockwaves through the family and causes cracks to form in the delicate fantasies that have kept them going.

The show features four talented actors: Josh Hoover playing the part of Jim, Ian Garthwaite as Tom, Emily Scheaffer as Laura, and Cheryl Johnson as Amanda.

For this production, the stage will be set "in the round." The show's producer, Carrie Johnson, explains that the

built-in stage will be used for seating, and additional seats will be placed around three sides of the specially built stage.

Dates and show times for "The Glass Menagerie" are Friday October 24 & 31 at 8pm; Saturday, October 25 and November 1 at 8pm; and Sunday, Oc-

tober 26 at 2pm. General admission tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased through the website, by calling the HotLine at 815-764-2287, or at the door.

Groups of 8 or more for the same performance receive a discount when pre-purchasing tickets on the website.



Butter Braid Fundraiser Launched



If you enjoy delicious pastries, please support VCCT by purchasing some Butter Braids. Butter Braid® pastries

are light and flaky, containing mouthwatering fillings like cinnamon, cream cheese and various fruit flavors. Unlike a dense bread, Butter Braid pastries are hand-braided with a sweet dough base

containing over 25 layers of light, airy dough and 100% real butter.

ButterBraids can be ordered online, though a VCCT member, or by calling the HotLine at 815-764-2287.

Delivery will take place on October 22 at Paddock Hall.



Auditions for “Wrong Window” Announced

Auditions for the Spring 2015 production of “Wrong Window” will be held on Sunday, October 26, and Wednesday, October 29.

Those auditioning for this production should prepare a short monologue of their choosing. Anything is fine (poem, book chapter, nursery rhyme, spoken song



lyrics, shopping list, etc.) as long as it is well rehearsed prior to the auditions. Having it memorized would be best but “scripts” will be permitted. The audition will also include cold script reading and role playing activities. Those wishing to audi-

tion may attend either night or both. Three adult females and four adult males will be cast in speaking roles, and an additional two or three adults are needed for supporting roles. These extras will be asked to double as members of the stage crew.

More details about auditions, including a downloadable Audition form, can be found on the website.

Annual VCCT End of Year Dinner

Members and Patrons of VCCT are invited to attend the Annual End of Year Dinner on Saturday, October 4, 2014 in the VIP Room of Hickory Grove in Rochelle. Cocktails start at 6:30pm and dinner will be served at 7pm. The cost is \$15 per person and includes a choice of entries: New York Strip, Pasta Primavera,

Cashew Cursted Orange Roughy, Chicken in Lemon Cream Sauce, or Steak or Chicken Ceasar Salad. All selections include salad,

We hope to see everyone there to celebrate your part in making this season one of our best!

rolls, and Tea, water or soda.

Butter Braids will be available for sampling and to order. All proceeds go to VCCT’s upcoming season.

Please R.S.V.P by Thursday, October 2, to:

vcctrochelle@gmail.com.

VCCT Needs YOU to get involved!

VCCT is always looking for volunteers to help in a variety of ways. Even if you would never dream of getting up on stage to act, there are still a number of ways you can get involved. Carpenters, painters, make-up artists, hair stylists, seamstresses and tailors are just a few of the “behind

the scenes” people needed to make each show a success. If you would like to get more involved with Community Theatre, go to our website and fill out the Volunteer form. Or send us an email to:

vcctrochelle@gmail.com.

As a not-for-profit organization, we also accept financial donations. Remember that your donations are always tax deductible. You can donate on our website, or you can send a check to the address listed on the back page of this newsletter.

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- ◆ Invitations to members-only functions
- ◆ Lots of Fun and Laughter!

Memberships start at only \$10 per year! Find a handy Membership Form on our website. Click the "Get Involved" button and join or renew your membership for the 2014-2015 season!

VCCT's "The Wizard of Oz" A Rousing Success!

This past summer, nearly 700 theater goers filled VCCT's theater to capacity during 5 shows over 2 weekends. Every performance was literally "sold out"! The Wizard of Oz appealed to audiences young and old as performers of all ages presented the musical as it was originally written. Those who attended thinking they would see a stage-version of the popular 1939 movie musical were surprised to see Jitterbugs (who dance their victims to exhaustion), a skeleton as the Wicked

Witch's assistant, and witches flying on vacuums instead of brooms.

"The Wizard of Oz" was chosen this year to coincide with the 75th Anniversary of the movie starring Judy Garland.

VCCT's production of "The Wizard of Oz" was co-directed by Dianne Jenner and Doug Kroupa and was produced by Sally Sawicki-Strang. The cast included over 20 adults and featured a number of children as "Munchkins."



Kyle Arreguin as the Scarecrow, Thomas Houghton as the Tin Man, Megan Bratko as Dorothy, and Ken Manning as the Lion