Providence Players of Fairfax
WHERE COMMUNITY THEATER COMES ALIVE!

2010-11 SEASON

Waiting in the Wings
Written by Noël Coward

It’s a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play
Adapted by Joe Landry from the screenplay by Frances Goodrich, Albert Hackett, Frank Capra, and Jo Swerling

The Shadow Box
Written by Michael Cristofer

Play On!
Written by Rick Abbot

Performing at the
James Lee Community Center Theater
2855 Annandale Road
Falls Church, VA 22042

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Moon Over Buffalo, Patrick David and Jayne Victor
Our 13th season – and best ever!

We are extremely proud to share with you our 2010-2011 season, and I invite you to join us for another outstanding season of quality theater!

This year’s season begins with a witty comedy by Noël Coward, Waiting in the Wings, a delightful story of how British actresses cope with retirement – and with each other. Adding another Pulitzer Prize winner to our list, The Shadow Box is one exceptional drama we have wanted to do for some time. Its inspired and sensitive look at living and dying make it a remarkable work. And finally, we end the season with a hilarious comedy Play On!, a behind the scenes look at community theater at its worst – or best. Well, come see and find out.

I am pleased to share that we are including a new holiday offering. In collaboration with James Lee Community Center, we will mount It’s a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play. Working together, talented actors from the company and talented young people from the James Lee community will offer an evening filled with joy and holiday cheer. We hope you will join us for this special event.

For the first time in many years, Providence Players has increased its ticket prices for the upcoming season. The company is in good fiscal health, but additional production and facility costs require that we make a small adjustment if we wish to remain financially strong. Prices are still competitive with other community theaters, and we remain committed to providing quality theater at an affordable price.

So, please join us this year – whether as a renewing subscriber or a new member of the season ticket family – as we welcome you to an exciting new season! Thanks again for your continued patronage, and we look forward to seeing you at the theater.

David P. Whitehead
President, Board of Directors
In this witty comedy, “The Wings” is a dilapidated charity home for aged actresses retired from the British stage. Jealousy abounds among the former stars, and sets the stage for a wealth of sophisticated wit and a collection of tangled subplots. While some of the home’s inhabitants idle away with needlepoint and chatter, a feud between two rival Grande Dames fills the home with classic banter and one-liners that are a signature of Coward’s style.

PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES
Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22 & 23
Sunday Matinees 2:00 p.m. Oct. 10 & 17
It’s a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play
Adapted by Joe Landry
From the screenplay by Frances Goodrich, Albert Hackett, Frank Capra, and Jo Swerling

Turn back the clock to the 1940s and set the dial for a double dose of holiday nostalgia. This version of It’s a Wonderful Life harkens back to the golden age of radio, and is performed as a live radio broadcast in front of a studio audience. Cleverly conceived and drawn directly from Frank Capra’s classic film, a talented ensemble of actors and one clever sound technician tell the story of George Bailey and the night he considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve. This is a holiday treat you will want to share with the entire family.

PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES
Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. Dec. 10, 11 & 18
Saturday Matinees 2:00 p.m. Dec. 11 & 18
Sunday Matinees 2:00 & 5:00 p.m. Dec. 12 & 19

Tickets for our holiday show, It’s a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, are NOT included in the price of your season ticket purchase. If you wish to purchase tickets to It’s a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, please note the number of tickets you would like on the ticket form and add the additional payment with your purchase. The entire payment should be included with your season ticket order. Thank you.

Seating for this production is general admission seating only, and no reservations are required or accepted.
The Shadow Box

Written by Michael Cristofer

Michael Cristofer’s timeless drama explores the lives of three terminally ill patients, each of whom lives in a separate cottage at a hospice. With a sense of humor and sensitivity, it explores their anxieties, their relationships with family, and their coming to grips with the finality of their condition. Full of hope and heartbreak, they strive to reassure themselves and make sense of death...and life. Mature subject matter.

*Pulitzer Prize Winner for Best Drama and Tony Award Winner for Best Play in 1977.*

PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES

Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. Apr. 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16
Sunday Matinees 2:00 p.m. Apr. 3 & 10
 Written by Rick Abbot

In this hilarious comedy, we join a local theater group trying desperately to put on a play in spite of an overzealous authoress who keeps revising the script. From the rehearsal in Act I and the disastrous dress rehearsal of Act II to the actual opening performance of the final act, anything can – and does - go wrong. When the authoress decides to give an “inspired” speech on the state of the modern theater during the curtain calls, you will truly know how unpredictable community theater can be. A truly wonderful, madcap and hilarious romp you can’t miss.

PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES

Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m.
May 27, 28, Jun. 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11

Sunday Matinees 2:00 p.m. May 29 & Jun. 5
PROVIDENCE PLAYERS

Rehearsal for Murder,
Carl Nubile and Camille Marie Piazza

Twelfth Night, Matt Ames

Steel Magnolias,
Liz Smith and Amy Baska

The Good Doctor,
Gerry Vans

Rough Crossing, Lolita-Marie

Rehearsal for Murder,
Carl Nubile and Camille Marie Piazza
The Time of Your Life, Kevin Harnisch, Larry Craven & Patrick David

Steel Magnolias, Joyce Lynn Montgomery

Rough Crossing, Craig Geoffrion, Larry Craven and John Coscia

Heaven Can Wait, Bill Vander Clute and Kevin Harnisch

The Laramie Project, Dylan Rzepka

Moon Over Buffalo, Patrick David and Beth Whitehead
Become a Season Ticket Holder and Save up to 15-25%!

Season tickets are a great way to save money on attending Providence Players’ productions. For each individual show, tickets are $18 for adults and $15 for seniors and students (with a valid ID). Buying a season ticket package can save you up to 25%. In addition, season ticket holders receive special privileges:

- Priority on reserved seats and special handling
- Special line at box office for season ticket holders
- Ability to order additional “hard-to-get” tickets to popular performances
- Special handling on tickets to our new holiday show

Season tickets are not designated to specific dates. This provides flexibility on which night you wish to attend, but you must make a reservation in advance to ensure the best seating. Please remember to call or email early to reserve your seat(s) prior to each production.

**Season Ticket Prices**

- Adult Subscription $45
- Senior/Student Subscription $32

The quality of Providence Players’ productions not only depends on the sale of tickets but also on the generosity of its patrons. Ticket sales only cover a portion of the budget each year. Donations not only help support production costs, but also help pay for tools, specialized theater equipment, workshops and other special projects. Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution with your subscription purchase at one of the following levels:

- Friend ($49 or less)
- Player ($50-$99)
- Patron ($100-$249)
- Benefactor ($250-$499)
- Director’s Circle ($500-$999)
- Producer’s Circle ($1,000 or more)

A special page in each Providence Players’ production playbill acknowledges, by name, the generous support of its donors who have helped make the season possible.
**2010-2011 Season Ticket Order Form**

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**Tickets to Providence Players’ and James Lee Community Center’s Holiday Event:**

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**Tax-deductible donation** $________________

(Thank you for your generous support!)

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**Mail Order To:** Providence Players Tickets  P.O. Box 2393  Fairfax, VA 22031

**Questions:** Email: providenceplayers@cox.net  Telephone: 703-425-6782

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