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Dear Asolo Rep Family,

Did you know Asolo Rep is one of only a small handful of theaters producing **live**, **in-person** events across the country? Come be a part of it!

Join us for an incredible night of music or an invigorating new play about a civil rights icon (or both). Tickets to LAURA OSNES IN CONCERT and FANNIE: THE MUSIC AND LIFE OF FANNIE LOU HAMER are **on sale now** to the general public.

#### Click here for tickets.



#### **ILLUMINATION DIGITAL SERIES**



Asolo Repertory Theatre proudly announces its 2021 IllumiNation Digital Series, promoting cross-cultural conversations in the community. Created in 2015, the IllumiNation Series explores the social, political, and cultural themes threaded throughout Asolo Rep's theatrical season. Discuss art and activism while connecting with community—these dynamic Community Conversations invite all to the table and challenge us to reflect upon our past and present in hopes for a more inclusive future.

Purchase each event individually for \$15 or join us for all three for \$39!

- February 25th: Fannie Lou Hamer: Movement Maker
- March 25th: James Baldwin Now with Playwright Ty Greenwood
- April 22nd: <u>THE ELABORATE ENTRANCE OF CHAD DEITY</u>: <u>Wrestling with</u> <u>America</u>

Click Here to Learn More About IllumiNation

## DID YOU MISS LAURA OSNES IN BONNIE AND CLYDE?

WATCH IT NOW!



Broadway veteran and Asolo Rep's own Bonnie Parker comes back to Sarasota next month for a two-night only concert on our Outdoor Terrace stage. Whet your appetite for some gorgeous music by taking a look back at this Monday Musical Moment from our 2010 production of BONNIE AND CLYDE.

#### Click here to watch.

REPERTOIRE SERIES YOUNG ARTIST ONLINE CLASSES

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DIANA COATES **JAN 11** 

TINA STAFFORD **JAN 25** 

JOSH RHODES FEB 1

CEDRIC LEIBA, JR. FEB 8

DR. JOHN CORNELIUS **FEB 22** 

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# YOUNG ARTISTS ONLINE CLASSES **REPERTOIRE SERIES**

The class may have started already, but young theatre lovers can still join us and level up their audition skills!

Join us Monday, January 25 as the incomparable Tina Stafford (MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS, INTO THE BREECHES!) works with students on preparing Standout Auditions and coaches them through the importance of an artists "Special Skills".

Register for our REPertoire Workshop Series Today! Class now \$180.

Click here to register and learn more.

### TURTLE SCULPTURES BUILT AT ASOLO REP **DEBUT ON VENICE BEACH**



As part of its 25th anniversary celebration, Gulf Coast Community Foundation wanted to spotlight one of its current focus areas in a way the entire community could experience and enjoy. That's when they commissioned Asolo Rep's scene shop to create two unique turtle sculptures for installation at Siesta and Venice Public Beaches. More than just pieces of aquatic-themed art, these thoughtfully designed turtles also hold plastic and aluminum recyclables, serving not only as collection spots but also educational opportunities to highlight the problems caused by marine debris.

Taking inspiration from a children's toy turtle, Asolo Rep properties artisan Jeffrey Dean designed the sculpture and worked with the shop staff to complete the construction. The end result is a sculptural turtle with a tightly woven, mesh-covered interior cavity designed for holding and displaying recyclables. The sculptures are made of outdoor-grade aluminum to help them hold up to the elements and any over-enthusiastic handling from their human viewers. "As tough as actors are on scenery, the public is a lot tougher on statues," says Victor Meyrich, director of production and operations at Asolo Rep and part of the project team.

## THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME



The coronavirus pandemic has had overwhelming economic implications for Asolo Rep and our ability to continue to bring you stellar performances. We invite you to join the special company of those who sustain and encourage excellence on-stage and off-stage with a contribution to <u>Asolo Rep's "There's No Place Like Home"</u> <u>campaign</u>.

Your unrestricted gift will:

- + Support artistic excellence and new play development
- + Sustain important and deeply integrated education and community engagement programs
- + Support local artists, artisans and administration
- + Allow us to plan for tomorrow

While we keep you engaged with little-to-no-cost virtual and socially distanced programming (such as Asolo Rep Engage and our upcoming performances in alternative outdoor spaces) know that your gift will make a critical difference as we navigate the challenging months ahead.

With your support, and three heel taps, we look forward to roaring back soon, stronger than ever. Afterall, there's no place quite like Asolo Rep. There's No Place Like Home.

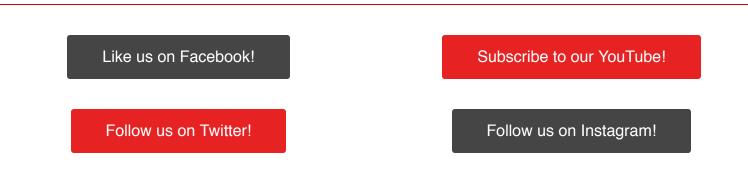
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