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Dear Asolo Rep Family,

This week's **Monday Musical Moment** is a close look at ["He Wanted to Say"](#) from RAGTIME through the lens of our current moment. Before viewing the moving rendition from our 2018 production, watch director Peter Rothstein and Choreographer Kelli Foster Warder put it in context and raise some important questions. You can also check out ["Make Them Hear You"](#) from RAGTIME, also mentioned in the interview.

Ground Floor Making Musicals:
JOHNNY AND THE DEVIL'S BOX

TONIGHT!



The **GROUND FLOOR SERIES: MAKING MUSICALS** continues tonight at 6pm with a preview of **JOHNNY AND THE DEVIL'S BOX**, a new bluegrass musical with book, music and lyrics by Douglas Waterbury-Tieman. In the dark days of the Great Depression, a beacon of hope shines from the depths of the Georgia foothills: Johnny Baker plays the meanest fiddle the world has ever seen. When a mysterious preacher rolls into the small town of Crossings and threatens to destroy what little they have, Johnny teams up with the no-nonsense Abigail to wage the next war in the ultimate battle of Good versus Evil with nothing but his fiddle for a weapon. Infused with American folk and bluegrass, this gripping tale will have you stomping your feet and clapping your hands in no time.

How does it work? Over the next few weeks, we'll preview fifteen minutes of each musical. After all four musicals have aired, we'll ask you to vote for your favorite and the winner will receive a complete staged reading next season. For more info and to register to vote, click [here](#).

To add to the fun, we're incorporating a Virtual Happy Hour into each presentation.

Here are this week's cocktail and mocktail recipes:





Note: most ginger beer is non-alcoholic but double check before you buy it! If your store doesn't have ginger beer, ginger soda or even fresh-pressed ginger will work.

Cheers!

Engage On Air | A.K. Murtadha

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ENGAGE: ON AIR



If you missed us on Wednesday at 6pm on WSLR 96.5, you can listen to Michael Edwards' conversation with A.K. Murtadha, who played Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Asolo Rep's productions of ALL THE WAY and THE GREAT SOCIETY – as well as all past episodes, on our [website](#).



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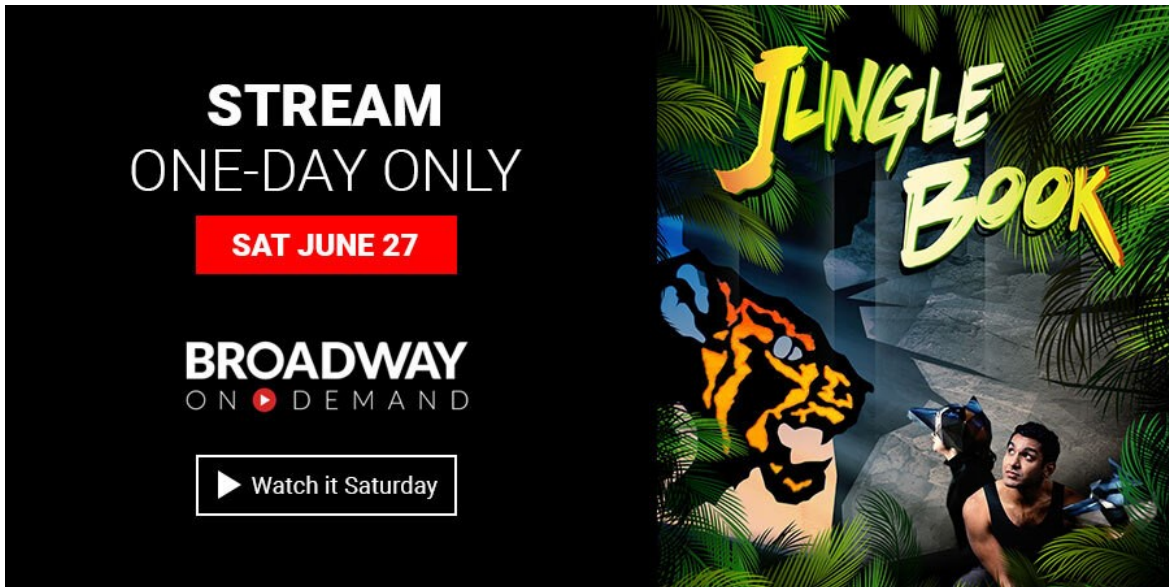
Online Classes



Jump into Adventure with Asolo Rep's Online Classes in July! Young artists ages 8-18, can join us on an epic expedition from their living room, create a thrilling radio drama, or learn auditioning from the pros! These classes will spark your young artist's imagination and help to hone their theatrical technique.

[Registration](#) is open NOW.

See JUNGLE BOOK on Broadway On Demand this Saturday



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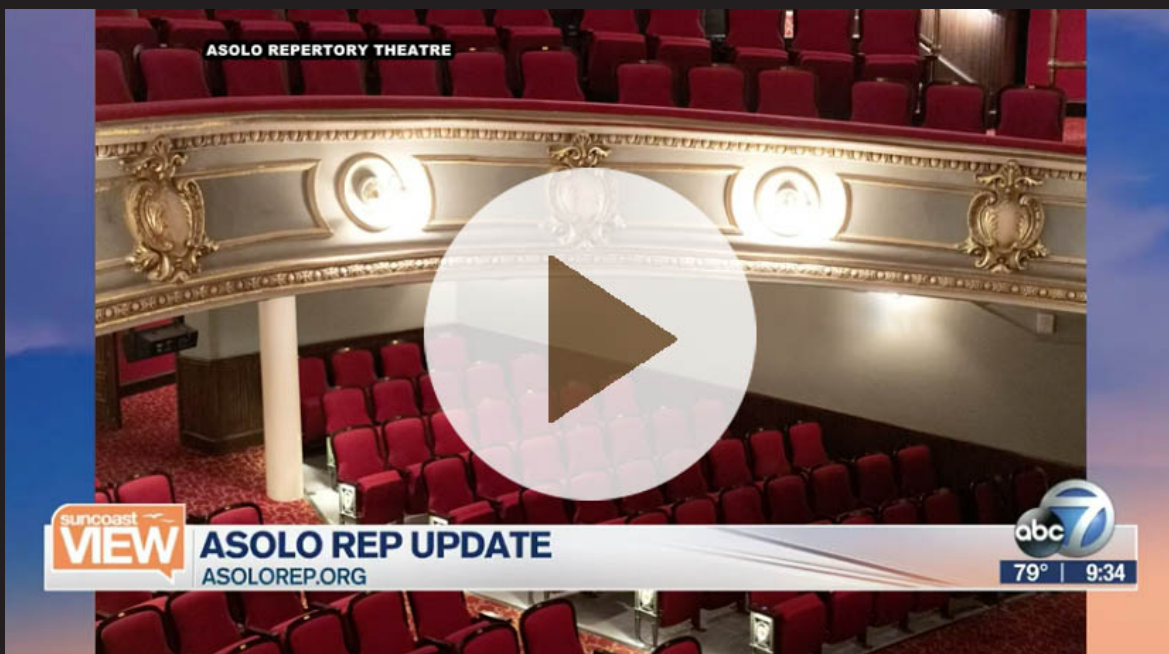
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JUNGLE BOOK

In June, 2018, Asolo Rep presented the world premiere of JUNGLE BOOK, a multi-media feast for the senses that thrilled audiences of all ages. Created by Craig Francis and Rick Miller, the show has gone on to have several productions across the US and Canada. Visit [this link](#) to stream JUNGLE BOOK on [Broadway On Demand](#) FREE this Saturday!

Catch Michael Donald Edwards on THE VIEW



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In case you missed last Wednesday's episode of THE VIEW on ABC7, click [here](#) as Michael Donald Edwards talks about everything Asolo Rep is up to these days and shares insight about what it will take to welcome audiences back to the theatre.



Keep connected with what others are doing in our community

SAACC



Be sure to follow the newly established Sarasota African American Cultural Coalition, INC. SAACC was formed to create a place in Sarasota where African American art, history, culture and heritage can be celebrated. Like them on Facebook to explore their educational resources and check out their website [here](#).



Support Asolo Rep Now on AmazonSmile

With so many people visiting Amazon during these stay-at-home times, we wanted to remind you that you can help support Asolo Rep with every Amazon purchase. AmazonSmile is a program that donates 0.5% of all eligible purchases on Amazon to the charity of your choice. All you need to do is start your shopping at smile.amazon.com, then choose Asolo Rep as your charity. The donation will be made at no extra cost to you.

Or consider donating directly to the Asolo COVID-19 Fund:

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With the cancellation of 109 performances, Asolo Rep could have possibly lost \$1.6 million in ticket revenue. Thanks to ticket donations and contributions from our

philanthropic community, the loss will be significantly less.

Asolo Rep is proud to announce the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation will match every dollar donated to Asolo Rep's COVID-19 Assistance Fund up to \$50,000 beginning immediately. This matching challenge will help redress the financial repercussions of Asolo Rep's truncated 2019-20 season. Asolo Rep extends our gratitude to the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation for their vital support and unwavering leadership during this time.

Please consider a generous donation at this time so that we can continue to fulfill our mission of presenting artistic excellence and meaningful education and engagement programs to Southwest Florida. You can donate to our Covid19 fund by visiting AsoloRepCovid19.givesmart.com OR by texting AsoloRepCovid19 to 76278.

Until next week! **Stay well and STAY ENGAGED.**

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