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Dear Asolo Rep Family,

We have some exciting new programs to share with you!



New!

Ground Floor: Making Musicals

On May 21st, the Ground Floor Series will launch a four-part new musical competition designed specifically for an online audience. Over the course of eight weeks, we will preview fifteen minutes of a new musical and then spend some time chatting with the writers about the creation process. After all four musicals have been aired, we'll ask the audience to vote for their favorite and the winner will receive an Asolo Rep workshop next season. Save the date: May 21st!



ENGAGE ON AIR – Tonight at 6pm!

Tune in every Wednesday at 6pm EST to WSLR 96.5 or visit<u>wslr.org/fogartyville/</u> to listen live to artist interviews discussing the upcoming season at Asolo Rep as well as new content designed specifically for audio.

In this week's installment of **ENGAGE: ON AIR**, we speak with former Asolo Rep Dramaturg Paul Adolphsen as well as Dramaturgy and Casting Apprentice Annie Dent to finally sort out the question: $Uf_rgB_{D_c}k_rspew$ = Tune in at 6pm EST to WSLR 96.5 to hear the show or check out the Asolo Rep website, where you can also find the <u>last two segments</u> with Michael Donald Edwards talking about *MSP RMUL* as well as the inaugural episode about *@GJWCJJGMR RFC K SQA? J* with director, Josh Rhodes.



Young Artist Audition Chat

Do you have a Young Artist in your life who wants to learn more about how the audition process works at Asolo Rep? Join Associate Artistic Director Celine Rosenthal and Young Artist Tyler Gevas for a Q&A where they will discuss what local young artists need to know to audition for the 20/21 season at Asolo Rep.



Watch LIVE and send us your audition questions on **Thursday, May 7th, at 6pm** on our <u>Facebook page</u> and the <u>Education and Engagement Youtube channel</u>.



What You Need to Know - Interviews on Monday Musical Moments

What you need to Know about Monday Musical Moments - If you've been enjoying exploring Asolo Rep's rich theatrical archives through Monday Musical Moments, be sure to check out the "What You Need to Know" Series, where Producing Artistic Director Michael Donald Edwards dives into the musical with each show's director. For / 554, Michael speaks with Frank Galati about John Adams and the American Character Project. Check out the interview clips on our Facebook and YouTube pages, as well as on our website.

This week's #MondayMusicalMoments on Facebook and YouTube features Fc Nj_wq rf c Tgrjd, beautifully sung by Andrea Prestinario as Martha Jefferson in our 2012 production of /554. The kick-off to Asolo Rep's five-year American Character Project, /554 was helmed by Asolo Rep Associate Artist Frank Galati.



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Are you keeping up with Sarasota Opera on social media? Check out their beautiful #SendMeTheSongs campaign here.



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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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