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Dear Asolo Rep Family,

Exciting things are happening at Asolo Rep. Check out our online classes, available for registration [on our website](#) NOW. Designed for ages 11-18, our classes invite young artists to explore performance with professionals and to get excited about creating theatre in new and exciting ways. **Give the gift of theatre today!**

And check out what else we've been up to:

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VIRTUAL DISCUSSION

VIEW THE KNOXVILLE VIRTUAL DISCUSSION SNEAK PEAK

“This was the moment when we turned it around,
when we discovered what Knoxville was going to be.”

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Members of Asolo Rep's Artistic Excellence Society were recently invited to an exclusive conversation with the artistic team of *I L M V T G J C*, the world premiere musical debuting at Asolo Rep in spring 2021. Director Frank Galati, Composer Stephen Flaherty, and Lyricist Lynn Ahrens were hosted by Asolo Rep Associate Artistic Director, Celine Rosenthal. The hour-long **Knoxville Virtual Discussion** includes extraordinary insights into the experience of developing a world premiere musical, the pause due to COVID-19 and the unique creative relationship between this legendary team.

Now, please enjoy [this sneak peek](#) of that conversation, to be released in full this fall.



EXCLUSIVE!
NEW VIDEO RELEASED FROM THE CAST OF HOOD

Friday, May 15 would have been opening night for the new musical *FMMB*. This past weekend, Lewis Flinn, composer for *FMMB*, released a video of “Kc p p v @”, the opening number of the show, sung by our cast from their homes. Please enjoy it [here!](#)



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You can make a difference in an emerging actor’s life today. Click [here](#) to learn more about the unique partnership between Asolo Rep and the FSU/Asolo Conservatory.



GROUND FLOOR: MAKING MUSICALS
Next Up: FOUNTAIN

If you missed last week’s broadcast of [QMNFC @?LAF?PBQF EF DJWG ÜPMAI ?LB PMJJ CVRP?T?E?LX?](#), you can find the 15 minute sample on our [YouTube channel](#).

The next **Ground Floor: Making Musicals** performance is **Thursday, June 4 at 6pm** when we present *DMSLR?G* by Christopher Anselmo and Jared Corak.

Andi was born on the night of the biggest hurricane Florida has ever seen. Raised by "Pop", her master storyteller of a grandfather in their roadside shop full of mystical relics and oddities, her imagination is topped only by her devotion to family. When forces nefarious and natural combine to threaten that family, Andi must journey to the ends of the Earth – or at least into the dankest swamp in Florida – to save the day. This joyful story of imagination will inspire audiences of all ages and reminds us that home is more than where we keep our stuff.



ENGAGE ON AIR – Tonight at 6pm

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

In this week's installment of **ENGAGE: ON AIR**, we hear from Frank Galati as we launch a two part episode on *I L MVTGJC*, the world premiere musical featuring Lyrics and Music by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty. You can also check out the Aso Rep [website](#), where you can also find all the past episodes.



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This week, our Monday Musical Moment celebrated Memorial Day with a little sunlight on the sand and moonlight on the sea. In special honor of our veterans, we shared “*Lmf dj %dj c _ B_k c*” from our 2014 production of *Qrsrf N_agã*. Enjoy it [here!](#)



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If you need a fun activity to get the family outside check out the [Marie Selby Botanical Gardens Plant Scavenger Hunt!](#) Then when you're ready, head over to the gardens which started phase one of reopening this week.



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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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