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Dear Asolo Rep Family,

We hope you are enjoying your summer! Here's what we've been up to recently (and if you like what we're doing, please forward this newsletter to your friends and family).

#### **GROUND FLOOR MAKING MUSICALS:**

**MĀYĀ - TONIGHT!** 



Asolo Rep continues its **Ground Floor: Making Musicals** series tonight at 6pm with a preview of MĀYĀ on our <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u> pages. With book and music by Cheeyang Ng, book and lyrics by Eric Sorrels, this new musical is set in 1930s India:

At the center of the story is Maya Mehta, a Cambridge-educated girl from India striving for recognition as a poet in the West, while her family plans her wedding to a wealthy prince. But in one life-changing moment, the Salt March, led by Mahatma Gandhi against the tyranny of the British Empire, arrives on Maya's doorstep. When Maya joins the thousands in their quest to shake the foundations of an empire, the

Mehta family's world changes forever. With a score that fuses Western pop and Indian Classical music, MĀYĀ is about the ties that hold us, the illusions that bind us and the truth that can finally set us free.

How does it work? Over several weeks, we'll preview fifteen minutes of four new musicals. After all 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, <u>click here.</u>

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

Here are this week's recipes:



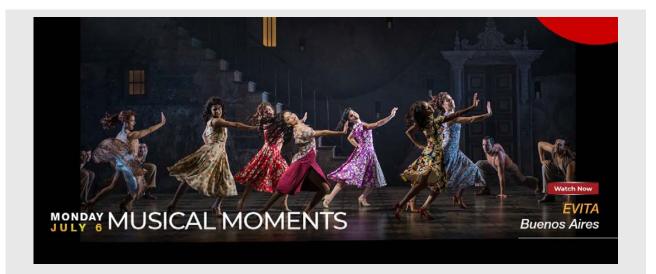






## **MONDAY MUSICAL MOMENTS**

**BUENOS AIRES | EVITA** 



<u>Click here to watch!</u> This week we travel to Buenos Aires with the stunning Ana Isabelle, who brought more than a touch of star quality to our 2017 production of EVITA.

And go behind the scenes of EVITA with Nia as she explains quick changes!

#### **ENGAGE ON AIR**

#### **E. FAYE BUTLER & MICHAEL JAMES LESLIE**





<u>Check our website for the latest episode</u>, a conversation with E. Faye Butler and Michael James Leslie.

You can catch **Engage On Air on WSLR**, <u>96.5</u> every Wednesday at 6pm.

#### **ONLINE CLASSES**

JOURNEY!



Have you thought about gifting one of our classes to a young artist in your life? The exciting thing about classes being online is that anyone around the world can learn and explore with us!

"Join this wonderful class and have loads of fun." - Young Artist

"This class is a great way for them to grow as artists in this new environment." - Parent

Join us next week for Journey! Ages 11-13, July 13 - 17 at 10am.

Jump into adventure as we discover universes, worlds, and stories of all sizes! In this hour-long class, students will create their own thrilling new adventures and use theatre to activate classic tales. Click here to find out more about Online Classes for ages 11-18 on our website!



## **CALLBOARD**



Keep connected with what others are doing in our community

We have been using the callboard portion of our newsletter to amplify and highlight other local organizations that partners with or national organizations who have missions that we want to highlight for our community.

Do you have a non-profit organization that you love and think we should highlight? Respond to this email and let us know all about them!

#### **Broadway On Demand**

Stream TWENTY THOUSAND LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA Free!



In June, 2017, Asolo Rep presented a thrilling new multi-media adaptation of Jules Verne's **TWENTY THOUSAND LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA** created by Craig Francis and Rick Miller.

Visit this link to stream the show on Broadway On Demand FREE this Saturday!

### 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.

Before you begin shopping, log onto smile.amazon.com then choose Asolo Rep as your charity. The donation will be made at no extra cost to you.

# ASOLO REP IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE TWO MATCHING CHALLENGES

The Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation will match every dollar donated to Asolo Rep's COVID-19 Assistance Fund up to \$50,000. This matching challenge will help redress the financial repercussions of Asolo Rep's truncated 2019-20 season.

Additionally, Judith and Andrew Economos will match new and increased gifts to the 2020-21 Season, up to \$50,000, beginning immediately. Asolo Rep extends our gratitude to the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation and Judith and Andrew Economos for their vital support and unwavering leadership during this time. The future is bright for Asolo Rep – please join us as we look towards tomorrow.

Click here to learn more!

Until next week! Stay well and STAY ENGAGED.

