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Placer Community Theater Welcomes New Director



PCT is extremely pleased to introduce our new director, Leslie Holland. Leslie comes to us with years of theater experience and will be directing our August production of *A Musical Voyage Through Time*. Having recently moved to Auburn with her boyfriend to be closer to his children, she is very excited about the opportunity to work with our non-profit theater group.

Leslie grew up in Southern CA working at the La Habra Community Theatre and began performing at the age of ten in choruses and in starring roles such as Wendy in *Peter Pan*. Her love of the theater compelled her to pursue an education in theater arts receiving her Bachelor of Arts in Theater Education from Cal State Fullerton. She taught high school theatre arts for 4 years in Riverside, CA and then for 2 years in Reno, NV during which time she received her Master's in Theatre Directing from Roosevelt University in Chicago, IL.

Her directing experience began in 1996 directing *Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat* at Camp Canadensis, PA and continued up to 2004 with *Rumors* and *Working* in Reno, NV.

She currently works as a Project Manager in the Learning & Development department for Wells Fargo, focusing most of her time on projects to support the classroom learning.

PCT would like you to join us in welcoming Leslie to our community and our local theater group. Chris Lash will be joining Leslie as Musical Director and Amy Linden as Choreographer. You won't want to miss it!

Audition Details

Audition Date: Sunday, May 7 starting at 2:00 p.m.

Audition/Performance Location: Theatre Pamelot, 540 Wall Street Auburn, CA.
More Information: (530) 886-8569 or visit www.placercommunitytheater.org.

Performance Dates: August 11, 12, 18 and 19 (must be available to audition).

Please come prepared with any Broadway style song (16-bars), or a 1-2 minute comedic monologue. A CD player will be provided. You may be asked to participate in improv and come prepared to move as a short dance number will be taught. If you are a member and cannot make the Sunday audition, please call Leslie at 530-886-8569 to schedule a private audition.

Volunteers Needed

Stage Manager, Prop Master, Costumer, light, sound, and backstage hands. Please contact Leslie Holland if you are interested at (530) 886-8569.

If you would like to submit an article for publication, it must be received no later than May 31, 2006. Please submit to PR@placercommunitytheater.org.



Meeting Highlights

Updates to the PCT website have been made including additional pages for information, community, policies and links. Be sure to check it out.

The Arts Building Capacity Initiative Grant Application has been submitted.

A motion was made and approved to give two \$500 scholarships for 2006.

Additional lights and a dimmer pac have been ordered.

Thanks to all who helped with PCT's inventory list.

Welcome to PCT's newest Gold Sponsor, Dr. Paula MacDonald of MacDonald Chiropractic in Auburn.

PCT now has a brochure to hand out to anyone who is interested in our group.

Friend of PCT, Devin Jewett “Noises Off”

Members of Placer Community Theater met Devin Jewett through his dad, Gregg, in last fall’s production of *Sing On!* This was the first performance PCT had done that required lighting cues, and Devin, with a bit of persuasion from his dad, volunteered himself as well as his personal dimmer pac to do the lighting in the show.

This past month, Devin was not only a cast member of the play, *Noises Off*, but he also co-directed it. Devin had originally wanted to perform *Little Shop of Horrors*, but since the national touring company came through Sacramento this winter, he wasn’t granted rights for that show. Choice number two, then, was *Noises Off*. In retrospect, it appears that Devin chose one of the most difficult productions possible. However, the actual success of the performances has given him an enormous boost of self-confidence. He was extremely fortunate in having a strong, enthusiastic cast as well as several talented and devoted crew members.

Devin has been passionate about theatre since he was five or six years old. His primary source of performance entertainment being stage plays and musicals. His interest wasn’t limited to acting alone, though, and he pursued lighting design, set design and construction, stage management, and marketing. Quite naturally, Devin eventually wanted to start his own theatre company. With financial backing from his mom and dad, in addition to their ever-present emotional support, this dream came to life and Sphere Theatre Productions was born.

Devin and his family recently returned from a week-long tour of colleges in southern California that have strong dramatic arts departments, and are planning a northern swing next fall. Meanwhile, Devin continues to be involved in community theatre with Colfax High School and Magic Circle, as well as assisting other local theatre groups. Sphere Theatre Productions, of course, will continue to stage a variety of performances. Devin will probably also attend theatrical camps and workshops while in high school. Fortunately, his theatre interests are broad in scope and that should increase his chances of finding a career in performing arts.

Placer Community Theater Joins the Auburn Chamber of Commerce

The many benefits include a hyperlink to PCT’s website under Theater on their membership directory, direction of calls from the community to PCT, and allowing PCT to have brochures on hand at the Chamber office. We can also advertise on their website and in their newsletter. They also have a networking lunch at Sizzler Restaurant on Lincoln Way the first Wednesday of every month and hold a Business After Hours Mixer the third Thursday of each month from 5:30-7:30. The mixer dates are listed on Tuesdays in the Chamber Page in the Auburn Journal. This will give us a place to display flyers and to meet people who might be interested in becoming a member or sponsor.

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