



# Placer Repertory Theater

Performing arts, cultural & economic enrichment for Placer County

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***My Jekyll & Hyde* preview available on Pay-Per-View thru May 18 as part of Placer Rep Anniversary Fundraiser**

For a limited time only, a digital preview of *My Jekyll & Hyde* is being offered as a pay-per-view event on ShowTix4U through May 18, 2021, as part of the ***Placer Repertory Theater Anniversary Fundraiser***. *My Jekyll & Hyde* by T. S. Forsyth and Ryan Gerberding is a solo show performed by the co-author, Ryan Gerberding. *My Jekyll & Hyde* is a funny yet suspenseful and poignant play that tells Robert Louis Stevenson's popular tale while providing historical context and personal observation from the perspective of Ryan, who grew up in Rocklin, California. "Ryan Gerberding [BA UCD], the performer and co-author, has grown tremendously as an artist through the development, writing and staging of this work," said Producing Artistic Director for Placer Repertory Theater, Teresa Stirling Forsyth. EMH Productions' transformation of the Ooley Theatre to a three-camera-setup livestream facility provided *My Jekyll & Hyde* with a needed venue for live digital streaming of the preview, originally held in December 2020.

The ***Placer Rep Anniversary Fundraiser*** consists of the *My Jekyll & Hyde* digital recording pay-per-view, a direct email campaign, and a Facebook Fundraiser (Facebook.com/PlacerRep), all designed to drive sufficient tax-deductible donations to support existing programs and the upcoming historic new work about the Rocklin Roundhouse, written by Ryan Gerberding as his final project for the Mentorship program. The preview of the Roundhouse play early this Summer 2021 offers area residents an opportunity to "NAME THAT PLAY" as well as to provide local family history as color for the work's continued development. Visit Placer Repertory Theater on Facebook or visit their website (PlacerRep.org) for more details.

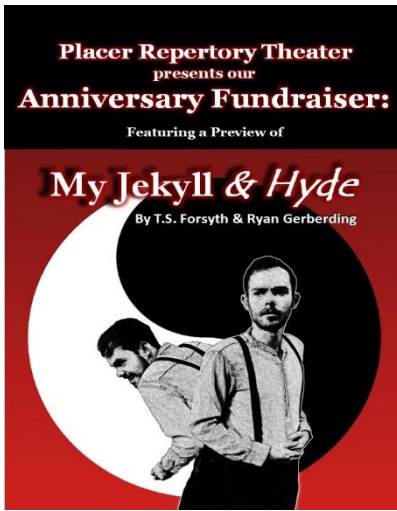
Placer Repertory Theater is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with the mission to offer educational and quality-of-life enriching professional performing arts and cultural programs relevant to the people of Placer County, while supporting local organizations and acting as an economic engine for the area. Anniversary Fundraiser ticket sales and donations to Placer Rep are fully tax deductible. You can follow Placer Repertory Theater on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram: @PlacerRep. Originally filmed at the Ooley Theatre in Sacramento in cooperation with EMH Productions, the Anniversary Fundraiser pay-per-view of *My Jekyll & Hyde* **will run through May 18, 2021 on ShowTix4U.**

**Pay-Per-View Event:** <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/52144>



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## THE PLAY

This is a twist on a classic tale of intrigue, drama, mayhem and mystery by local playwrights T. S. Forsyth and Ryan Gerberding. In this one-man powerhouse show, performed by Ryan Gerberding, you will witness a range of unique characters, from the comical and endearing to the wicked, as the protagonist struggles to save the life of his friend, Dr. Jekyll, from the scheming clutches of the malevolent Mr. Hyde. Dark humor, historical context and personal stories of modern relevance round out the work to ensure a rich theatrical experience. This new work is not to be missed!

Directed by Teresa Stirling Forsyth

Starring: Ryan Gerberding

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## TERESA STIRLING FORSYTH – Producing Artistic Director

With an MFA in Dramatic Arts and an MS in Business Management & Leadership, this former Silicon Valley high-tech VP and critically acclaimed professional director/[playwright](#) also plays the role of



Producing Artistic Director for [Placer Repertory Theater](#). Previously, the artistic director for two San Francisco theater companies and founder/board president of an economic & workforce development nonprofit organization for Santa Cruz County, her performing arts background includes international tours as an actor/singer/dancer, and director/playwright for national and international touring productions with renown performing artists, such as Brenda Wong Aoki, and companies like Dell'Arte International. As an educator, she has instructed and directed at UC Davis, University of San Francisco, University of Minnesota and other educational institutions. Projects on which Forsyth worked performed at venues such as the Kennedy Center, the Smithsonian, Dallas Theatre Center, San Diego Repertory Theater and many other renown venues, and received Dramalogue Awards, Critics Circle Awards, Indy Award:

Best Spoken Word Album, as well as numerous grants from the NEA, NEH, CAC and corporations. She



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is a member of the professional organizations: The Dramatists Guild, The Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE), TCG and NNPN/New Play Exchange.



**Ryan Gerberding**  
**DIGIAL MEDIA**  
**DIRECTOR**

## **RYAN GERBERDING – Actor, Co-Author, Digital Media Director**

Ryan Gerberding is an actor from Rocklin, CA. He is proud to be a founding company member and Digital Media Director for Placer Repertory Theatre. Ryan studied at University of California, Davis, where he earned his bachelor's degree in Theatre and Dance. There, he performed in numerous plays and musicals, including *Urinetown the Musical*, *Lungs*, *Mr. Burns: A Post Electric Play*, and *Gospel According to the First Squad*. He also directed multiple shows for Studio 301, a student-run theatre club at UC Davis, including *The Pillowman*, *Swimmers*, and *Dogfight*. After graduating from college, he has performed in numerous productions in the Sacramento area, including *Amélie the Musical*, *Shakespeare in Love* and *The Rocky Horror Show* with *Green Valley Theatre*, and *Small Mouth Sounds* with *Big Idea Theatre*. Currently, he teaches youth classes for Sacramento Theatre Company and may be seen in episodes of Placer Rep's *Sherlock Holmes: Domestic Mysteries* series episodes on YouTube, for which he is on the writing and directing team, as well as performing duties as the Digital Editor, or in his solo show, *My Jekyll & Hyde*, which is available for preview.



## **KEVIN FOSTER - OUTREACH DIRECTOR, Collaboration LAB**

Kevin Foster is an area local, excited to work at Placer Repertory as Outreach Director and in various other capacities. He began training in acting at UC Davis whilst earning his B.A. in Music Performance. After graduating, he performed at Davis Musical Theater Company in *Peter Pan*, *The King and I*, *Damn Yankees*, and the Elly Award winning production of *Chicago*. His other credits include *The Importance of Being Earnest* at Chautauqua Playhouse and *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* at Sacramento Theater company, where he is currently teaching youth classes. You may see him in Placer Rep's new digital series *Sherlock Holmes: Domestic Mysteries* on YouTube.

## **THE PRODUCTION**

This pay-per-view preview of *My Jekyll & Hyde* written by T. S. Forsyth and Ryan Gerberding, who is not only the formidable talent who performs this one-man piece, but he is the co-author, as well.

The revenue from this pay-per-view allows Placer Rep to continue to provide live theater and digital performances like Ryan's tour de force performance of his solo show, *My Jekyll & Hyde*, and his upcoming production, a play to be named by the audience about the historic Rocklin and Roseville Roundhouses. Pay-per-view will be available May 1 through May 18, 2021. Original performance was



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at the Ooley Theatre, 2007 28th St., in Sacramento on December 4 & 5, 2020. Tickets for this Pay-Per-View fundraiser start at \$5 per viewer, and additional donations are encouraged!

Tickets can only be purchased at <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/52144>

## DETAILS WHAT:

The Anniversary Fundraiser, featuring a pay-per-view preview of My Jekyll & Hyde by T. S. Forsyth and Ryan Gerberding.

## WHERE:

Pay-per-view streaming via ShowTix4U: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/52144>

## WHEN:

May 1 through May 18, 2021

Starts at \$5 per viewer, donations are encouraged.

## TICKETS:

Online: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/52144>

All ticket questions must be directed to ShowTix4U.

## WHO:

Playwrights: T. S. Forsyth and Ryan Gerberding

Cast: Ryan Gerberding

Director: Teresa Stirling Forsyth

Stage Manager/Light and Sound Operator: Jenni Parcell

Camera/Live Stream Operator: Cody Parcell

Producers: Placer Repertory Theater, The Artist's Collective, EMH Productions

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