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Auditions Announced for Placer Rep Fall Productions

All roles are available for a Sherlock Holmes world premiere, three stage readings of contemporary works, and a one-night-only murder mystery play as Placer Repertory Theater hosts open digital auditions for its Fall 2021 productions. The works are to be performed live onstage in the South Placer County area between September and November and the audition notice is posted on Placer Rep's website (https://PlacerRep.org). Nonunion performers with COVID vaccination and experience/training are encouraged to submit audition materials for these open roles and will be paid to rehearse and perform.

Placer Rep's Fall 2021 offerings include a one-night-only murder mystery play on October 1, stage readings of three new contemporary plays in September, October and November, and the World Premiere of T.S. Forsyth's *Sherlock Holmes: The Sign of the Four* in October. *Sherlock Holmes: The Sign of the Four* is a comedic detective story based upon the works of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and the playwright uses this story to explore the passive-aggressivity characteristic of close relationships, including the inherent power and status shifts, in-part, through the use of dueling narrators as performed by an ensemble of six actors playing multiple roles.

The audition notice is posted on Placer Rep's website and includes all the digital audition requirements and recommendations. Callbacks are anticipated to be held the week of Monday, August 23. Those invited to call-back auditions shall receive further instruction in Mid-August. Rehearsal schedules for each of the productions are based upon each cast's availability. Digital submissions for those who are not cast are saved and reviewed for future casting opportunities.

Placer Repertory Theater (https://PlacerRep.org) is a professional performing arts 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. Follow Placer Repertory Theater on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram:

@PlacerRep, and subscribe to our YouTube Channel to access our digital recordings.

Contact: Kevin Foster, Outreach Director at Outreach@PlacerRep.org.

TERESA STIRLING FORSYTH – Producing Artistic Director

MFA Dramatic Arts, MS Business Management & Leadership, this critically acclaimed professional director/playwright plays the role of Producing Artistic Director for Placer Repertory Theater. Previously, the artistic director for two San Francisco theater companies, 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 her work 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 is a member of the professional organizations: The Dramatists Guild, The Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE), TCG and NNPN/New Play Exchange.

KEVIN FOSTER - Outreach Director

Kevin Foster is a Rocklin local and Sacramento area native, excited to work at Placer Repertory as Outreach Director and in various other capacities. He began training in acting at UC Davis while earning his B.A. in Music Performance. After graduation and his return from a professional stint in New York, 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 taught youth theater

classes, and currently teaches at Rockstar Music Academy in Lincoln, CA. You may see him in Placer Rep's new digital series *Sherlock Holmes: Domestic Mysteries* on YouTube.



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SPENCER T GAYDEN - Digital & Social Media Director

Spencer T Gayden moved to Placer County at the age of seven, where he discovered his love of theatre while attending Horizon Charter School. For five years, Spencer has been an instructor and director with Royal Stage Christian Performing Arts; he also manages social and digital media for local education non-profit IntelliBricks and has worked for the character company Sevilla Magic FX. Recently, audiences saw Spencer in Placer Rep's history play event "New Beginnings," and an original musical with Curious Theatre Works.

THE EVENT

OPEN AUDITIONS
August 8 through August 16, 2021
See audition notice at https://PlacerRep.org

DETAILS

WHAT:

Placer Repertory Theater hosts open auditions for its Fall 2021 stage productions:

- Sherlock Holmes: Sign of the Four (World Premiere)
- Three stage readings (one per month) in September, October & November
- A one-night-only Murder Mystery play (October 1, 2021)

WHERE:

Visit https://PlacerRep.org to see the audition notice. Materials are to be submitted to info@placerrep.org. Anticipate Rehearsals & Performances to be held in South Placer County (Roseville/Rocklin/Lincoln area).

WHEN:

Submissions Due EOD Monday, August 16.

TICKETS:

N/A. Open Auditions.

WHO:

Outreach Director: Kevin Foster

Digital & Social Media Director: Spencer T Gayden

Producing Artistic Director: T. S. Forsyth



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