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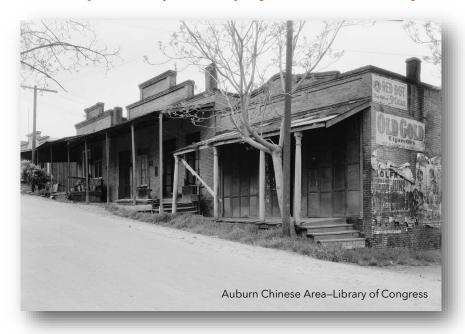
Placer Repertory Theater

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Help develop a new play for Placer County



Play development sponsored in part by



Featuring

- A stage reading of Ghosts of Placer County
- Music by Matthew Kaiser
- Comedy by Funny Robert

Includes a post-show Q&A Meet the actors and playwright, Provide your feedback!

Thurs, June 23—Lincoln Civic Center, Lincoln CA
Wed, June 29—Parkview Rm, Johnson-Springview Park, Rocklin CA

Outreach Director Notes: Kevin Foster

Welcome! As the Outreach Director, I am so proud to be representing Placer Repertory Theater and its mission to provide performing arts relevant to the residents of Placer County. As a performing artist who lived in NYC, when I returned to California, I used to miss that quality of theater and depth of engagement I experienced in New York. But then I found Placer Rep. *Ghosts of Placer County* is an hilarious dark comedy that shares not only key history of almost every Placer County population area, but also depicts archetypal relationships and existential questions that can open the mind and heart.

Playwright Notes: T. S. Forsyth

Placer Rep's theme for season 2022 is "The Other," and *Ghosts of Placer County* definitely embodies that theme: observing or discovering something or someone separate or different from ourselves and either engaging with fear or with love.

While this play depicts 30 years of a relationship between a mother and daughter, it also explores how our individual and community history haunts us, and how we haunt history to define ourselves both individually and as a community.

The goal of this play, as a playwright, is to bring our Placer County community together, to explore and embrace our shared history and common human experience. And hopefully, the play will not only engender conversation and healing, but also make area residents **Placer County Proud**.



T.S. FORSYTH, Director / Playwright

MFA, MS, is Producing Artistic Director for Placer Repertory Theater. Previously, the artistic director for two San Francisco theater companies, high-tech VP, and founder of an economic development nonprofit, her performing arts background includes international tours as a performer, as well as director/playwright for national and international touring productions with renown performing artists and professional theater companies. She has instructed/directed at numerous universities. Projects on which Forsyth worked performed at venues such as the Kennedy Center & received Dramalogue & BWW Awards, Critics Circle Awards, NEA, NEH & CAC grants.

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2022 WEEK-FOUR PROGRAMS

Fourth Wednesday & Fourth Sunday each month







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...is 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

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Haunting History

FEATURING

the new play in development

Ghosts of Placer County

By T.S. Forsyth

Act I: Placer County

- Lost in the Granite Chief Wilderness (30 years ago)
- Learning to Lead in the Granite Chief Wilderness (20 years ago)

INTERMISSION

(refreshments, door prizes)

Act II: Placer County

- Bear River Campground & Park (Present day)

<u>Time</u>

Time and the nature of the universe are up for debate in this play. However, for staging purposes, since we tiny humans live in three dimensions and perceive time as linear and progressive, this play takes place 30 years ago, 20 years ago and in the present, but not always in that order.

SUPPORT TEAM

Producer/Crew: T.S. Forsyth

Box Office/Crew:
Robert Bruce

House Manager/Crew: Hunter Davidson

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CAST



ANNE MERINO - Dr. Dessa Dagmar

Merino danced for the American Ballet Theatre and London Festival Ballet, and won the Vanguard Award for Choreography. Merino's traditional theatrical training was received at Chicago's Goodman Theatre, Second City with Del Close and Jim Belushi and under Alan Rickman at the British American Drama Academy. As an actress, and former member of AEA, SAG/AFTRA, Ms. Merino performed with The Groundlings and Tim Robbins' The Actors' Gang and is a member of the theatre faculty at William Jessup University.



KATHERINE STROLLER - Aubrey Emersyn Dagmar

Katherine is thrilled to be joining Placer Rep for this new work, *Ghosts of Placer County*! She received her B.A. in Dramatic Art from UC Davis and is a graduate of Foothill Theatre Conservatory. Favorite past roles include Portia from *The Merchant of Venice*, Mindy from *Five Women Wearing the Same Dress*, Cathleen in *Long Day's Journey into Night*, and The Woman from *The Woman in Black*. When she is not acting, Katherine is a character movement coach and writer. Learn more at katherinestroller.com. MEMBER, Actors Equity Association.



KEVIN FOSTER - Kenny Greene

B.A. in Music Performance (UC Davis). After graduation, Kevin performed with Sacramento Theatre Company, then moved to NY to pursue performing arts. When Kevin returned to California, he taught youth performing arts at STC and the Rockstar Music Academy, and currently teaches for PRT. Kevin played Dr. Watson in the 2020 & 2021 Placer Rep Sherlock Holmes productions and digital series, as well as roles in *Persuasion*, winning a Broadway World award for best supporting actor. Kevin is currently developing his solo show.



BRENNAN VILLADOS - Guide-Master Jack / Liam

Brennan's most recent acting credits include *The Picture of Dorian Gray* with Freefall Stage, *A Soldier's Play* with Celebration Arts, and *Marat/Sade* with Falcon's Eye Theatre. Brennan made his directorial debut in 2019 with *Romeo and Juliet* for Freefall Stage's Shakespeare in the park. He attended The American Academy of Dramatic Art and has worked for the UC Davis School of Medicine Standardized Patient Program for eight years. One of his favorite roles is Patrick Stone in *Inventing Van Gogh* with Big Idea Theatre. This is his first performance with Placer Repertory Theater.



ARIE KNYAZEV - Narrator / Damon / Raymond

Ghosts of Placer County is Arie's first opportunity to work with Placer Repertory Theater. Recently he starred as the character William Gillette in Ken Ludwig's play *The Game's Afoot*, produced by the State Theatre Acting Company at the Auburn State Theatre in Auburn, CA. Arie has performed with Theatre in the Heights, plays several musical instruments, fences and speaks Russian. A software engineer by day, Arie claims he would happily give up his lucrative high-tech career to become a starving professional actor. Welcome Arie!

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