



## *Olympic Theatre Arts Center* **2023 Season**

### **March 10th-26**

*The Mystery of Edwin Drood - MUSICAL*

Based on Charles Dickens' final unfinished novel, this hilarious whodunit invites the audience to solve its mystery by choosing the identity of the murderer. The tale is presented as a show-within-a-show, as the Music Hall Royale - a delightfully loony Victorian theatre company - presents Dickens' brooding mystery.

### **April 28th to May 14th**

*Calendar Girls (Members' Choice) - COMEDY*

When Annie's husband John dies of leukemia, she and best friend Chris resolve to raise money for a new settee in the local hospital waiting room. They manage to persuade four fellow Women's Institute members to pose nude with them for an "alternative" calendar, with a little help from hospital porter and amateur photographer Lawrence.

### **June 2nd - 18th**

*The Nerd - COMEDY*

Set in Terre Haute, Indiana in late 1979, *The Nerd* centers on the hilarious dilemma of a young architect who is visited by Rick Steadman, a fellow ex-GI whom he has never met but who saved his life after he was seriously wounded in Vietnam. Willum is delighted when Rick shows up unexpectedly at his apartment on the night of his thirty-fourth birthday party. However, Rick's awkward manner and inappropriate behavior throw the occasion into shambles.

### **July 7th - 23rd**

*Lavender Lawlessness - MELODRAMA*

Cheer the Hero, boo the Villain and sigh for the damsel in distress in this hilarious, over-the-top melodrama based on the mythical history of the Pacific Northwest and Sequim, which is considered the Lavender Capital of the World. This is sure to become a new annual tradition getting more convoluted year after year as the myths live on.

### **August 4th - 13th**

*Robin Hood (Youth Theater) - COMEDY*

It sure is hard to be humble when you're a swashbuckling, egocentric super-hero. But our gallant guy-in-green tries his best as he swaggers through The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood, a frantically funny, Monty Pythonesque retelling of the classic. This time around, the legendary hero, in his never-ending quest to aid the needy, encounters such an eclectic cast of characters that you've got an irreverent jaunt through Sherwood Forest you won't soon forget!

### **September 15th - 30th**

*John and Jen - MUSICAL*

A truly original musical that honors brothers and sisters, as well as parents and children, set against the background of a changing America between 1950 and 1990, John & Jen is a gem of a show, brimming with intelligence, wit and beautiful melodies.

### **October 20th - 31st**

*Night of the Living Dead - DRAMA*

A desperate group seeks shelter in an old house to barricade themselves from a horde of the undead! No one is safe! Not for the faint of heart! Leave your loved ones at home and see if you can survive the zombie apocalypse.

### **November 17th - 19th**

*New Works - VARIOUS*

Olympic Theatre Arts Center's annual New Works Showcase is a series of original, short plays highlighting the written voices of our community. It is an opportunity not only for entertainment, but for local inspiration and education as well.

### **December 1st - 17th**

*Holmes for the Holidays - COMEDY*

It is December 1936, and Broadway star William Gillette, admired the world over for his leading role in the play Sherlock Holmes, has invited his fellow cast members to his Connecticut castle for a weekend of revelry. But when one of the guests is stabbed to death, the festivities in this isolated house of tricks and mirrors quickly turn dangerous. It is then up to Gillette himself, as he assumes the persona of his beloved Holmes, to track down the killer before the next victim appears.