

THE INDIANA PLAYERS PRESENT

**LOVE AND
INFORMATION**

written by Caryl Churchill

directed by Sam Sherburne



**OCTOBER 25, 26, 27
& NOVEMBER 1, 2, 3**

INDIANA PLAYERS, INC
@ THE PHILADELPHIA STREET PLAYHOUSE
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2024-2025 SEASON

INDIANA PLAYERS, INC.
2024 - 2025
SEASON SCHEDULE



SEPTEMBER 13, 14, 15 & 20, 21, 22	OUR TOWN WRITTEN BY THORNTON WILDER DIRECTED BY VANESSA ARVIDSON AUDITION DATES: AUGUST 5TH AND 6TH
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LOVE AND INFORMATION WRITTEN BY CARYL CHURCHILL DIRECTED BY SAM SHERBURNE AUDITION DATES: SEPTEMBER 16TH AND 17TH	OCTOBER 25, 26, 27 & NOVEMBER 1, 2, 3
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DECEMBER 6, 7, 8 & 13, 14, 15	MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET ADAPTED BY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY THEATER FROM THE NOVEL BY VALENTINE DAVIES DIRECTED BY BILL & SHARON HERRING AUDITION DATES: OCTOBER 28TH AND 29TH
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CAUGHT IN THE VILLAIN'S WEB WRITTEN BY HERBERT SWAYNE DIRECTED BY SHARON E. SMITH AUDITION DATES: DECEMBER 9TH AND 10TH	FEBRUARY 7, 8, 9 & 14, 15, 16
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MARCH 21, 22, 23 & 28, 29, 30	VANYA & SONIA & MASHA & SPIKE WRITTEN BY CHRISTOPHER DURANG DIRECTED BY JOHN HENRY STEELMAN AUDITION DATES: FEBRUARY 10TH AND 11TH
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THE 14TH ANNUAL ONE-ACT FESTIVAL AUDITION DATES: MARCH 24TH AND 25TH	APRIL 24TH - 27TH
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MAY 30, 31 & JUNE 1, 6, 7, 8	THE DINING ROOM WRITTEN BY A. R. GURNEY DIRECTED BY KATHLEEN KERNS AUDITION DATES: APRIL 14TH AND 15TH
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You can support live, local community theater by becoming a member! Your membership dues go towards staging year-round shows. The Indiana Players is a non-profit, all volunteer organization, so your help is vital to keeping the Philadelphia Street Playhouse alive and active.

Membership gives you regular newsletters about upcoming shows and special events and allows you to run for and elect the Board of Directors at our annual meeting each May.

To become a member, visit www.indianaplayers.com and click "Become a Member" to join and pay online. Or fill out the form below and submit it with a check by mail or to the box office. Your patronage is greatly appreciated!

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We are so pleased that you are joining us on our journey to bring high-quality community theater to Indiana! We're looking forward to another four decades of all-volunteer service, but we cannot do it without you!

Like all theaters, ticket sales do not cover the costs of operation and so we ask for your generosity.

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We want to recognize those who make charitable gifts. Members of our donor society will receive recognition in this season's programs, and are categorized as follows:

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The Board of Directors presents the highest recognition and their profound gratitude to **Diane Duntley** for her generous support of and bequest to the Indiana Players

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LOVE AND INFORMATION

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Love and Information contains 51 unique scenes divided into 7 sections. There will be NO intermission for this performance.

SCENES AND CAST OF CHARACTERS

- Cast Members Play Different Characters in Every Scene -

SECTION 1

Remote..... Sarah Brandle* and David Tabish
Lab..... Meghan Cronin and Mint Both*
Sleep..... Luke Summerfield and Eric Witmer
Fan..... Alivia Adams* and Megan Slater*
Census..... Patricia Bowser* and Finn Lonjin*
Torture..... David Cuff* and Jonathan Smith
Secret..... Jesse Chovanec and Andrew Shingledecker

SECTION 2

Irrational..... Megan Slater and Jacob Breslawski
Affair..... David Cuff and Eric Witmer
Message..... Sarah Brandle and Luke Summerfield
Fired..... Jeff Adair and Mint Both
Grass..... Jesse Chovanec and Jonathan Smith
Terminal..... Finn Lonjin and Andrew Shingledecker
Mother..... Meghan Cronin and Alivia Adams

SECTION 3

Recluse..... David Tabish, Patricia Bowser
and Jacob Breslawski
Schizophrenic..... Jesse Chovanec and Eric Witmer
Dream..... Meghan Cronin and David Cuff
Spies..... Jonathan Smith and Andrew Shingledecker
Star..... Finn Lonjin and Jeff Adair
God's Voice..... Mint Both and Alivia Adams
The Child Who Didn't Know Fear..... David Tabish

**indicates an IPI debut (only actor's first appearance is denoted)*

SECTION 4

Memory House.....	Jesse Chovanec and Jacob Breslawski
Flashback.....	Luke Summerfield and David Cuff
Wedding Video.....	David Tabish, Patricia Bowser, Sarah Brandle, and Megan Slater
Ex.....	Jonathan Smith and Meghan Cronin
Dinner.....	Finn Lonjin and Alivia Adams
Savant.....	Luke Summerfield and Patricia Bowser
Piano.....	David Tabish, Jesse Chovanec, and Andrew Shingledecker

SECTION 5

Sex.....	Eric Witmer and Meghan Cronin
Rash.....	Megan Slater and David Cuff
Shrink.....	Jonathan Smith and Luke Summerfield
Math.....	Sarah Brandle and Mint Both
Linguist.....	Alivia Adams and Eric Witmer
Children.....	David Cuff and Andrew Shingledecker
God.....	Jacob Breslawski and Jeff Adair

SECTION 6

Earthquake.....	Mint Both and Finn Lonjin
Climate.....	Meghan Cronin and Sarah Brandle
The Child Who Didn't Know Sorry.....	Patricia Bowser and Jeff Adair
The Child Who Didn't Know Pain.....	Alivia Adams and Megan Slater
Decision.....	Jonathan Smith and David Tabish
Censor.....	Jacob Breslawski and Andrew Shingledecker
Wife.....	Jesse Chovanec and Luke Summerfield
Depression.....	Eric Witmer

SECTION 7

Stone.....	Megan Slater, Finn Lonjin and Jeff Adair
Grief.....	Mint Both and Meghan Cronin
Fate.....	David Cuff and Sarah Brandle
Manic.....	Jesse Chovanec and Eric Witmer
Chinese Poetry.....	David Tabish and Patricia Bowser
Virtual.....	Andrew Shingledecker and Luke Summerfield
Small Thing.....	Jesse Chovanec and Jeff Adair
Facts.....	Meghan Cronin and Jacob Breslawski

PLEASE NOTE

Content and Trigger Warning: This production contains mature themes and language as well as one use of firework sound effects

Flash photography and video recording are **prohibited**. As a courtesy to the actors and audience members, please **silence** all cell phones and other electronic devices. **Restrooms** are located at the back of the theater, down the hall to the right of the stage; last doors on the right.

PRODUCTION STAFF & CREW

DIRECTOR.....	Sam Sherburne
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.....	Brett Mack
STAGE MANAGER.....	Alyssa Wright
PRODUCTION DESIGNER.....	Via Galeno
LIGHTING DESIGNER.....	Xander Vivirito
LIGHT BOARD OPERATOR.....	Xander Vivirito
COMPOSER.....	Andrew Shingledecker
SOUND BOARD OPERATOR.....	Sam Sherburne
PROPS MASTER.....	Peggy Buckley
COSTUME DESIGNER.....	Meghan Cronin
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PHOTOGRAPHY.....	Liz Silvis and Nicole Lorelei Photography
BOX OFFICE MANAGER.....	Kathleen Kerns

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Lena Adair, Abeer Affaneh, Emily Canavan, Carrie Cole,
The Indiana Gazette, Todd Marino and Renda Broadcasting

CAST BIOS

JEFF ADAIR lives in Indiana. This is his second play with the Indiana Players and his first speaking role! He enjoys playing Pokémon Go and Marvel movies. He would like to thank his family for their support.

ALIVIA ADAMS is a freshman at IUP and is excited to be in her first play since elementary school. She has always had an interest for acting and now she can really explore that interest since she lives on campus, close to this local theatre. She is happy to meet some new people, make some new connections, and broaden her horizons. We'll see where this path takes her!

MINT BOTH is so excited to be in his first play with the Indiana Players. They are a freshman at IUP and a Theatre major. He has previously been in productions at FaceTime Theater and Phoenixville Area High School, and was nominated for a Cappie (Critics and Awards Program) award for best comedic actor.

PATRICIA BOWSER is a newcomer to Indiana, having lived in the area only about a year. She earned her BA in Theatre from Slippery Rock and has acted and directed on three continents. She has had the privilege of studying under some of the most well-known of British theatre including the National Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Company. While she has thoroughly enjoyed traveling throughout her life, she is now delighted to be enjoying this next passage and being back on stage once again as part of this talented group of performers. Patricia is currently relaxing in the country life and renovating the house she shares with her Briard, a hundred pound French sheep dog who serves as her service dog. She has two grown children and three grandchildren.

SARAH BRANDLE is excited to be participating in their first production with the Indiana Players. Sarah is a current senior at IUP, studying History and Musical Theatre. Outside of theatre, they like to read and be outdoors. They want to thank their mom for all of her support and their roommate, Jessie, for all of the rides to and from rehearsal.

JACOB BRESLAWSKI is feeling the love (and the information, he supposes) in this production with the Indiana Players. An Indiana local, he has appeared in several IPI productions, most recently as George Gibbs in *Our Town*. He would like to extend his thanks to all those involved in making this fascinating text come to life, as well as to the audiences who want to share in it. He hopes they feel loved (and informed, he supposes).

CAST BIOS (cont'd)

JESSE CHOVANEC earned a BFA in Theatre Arts from Point Park University with a self-directed concentration in Directing, Playwriting, Movement, Cinematography, and Technical Theatre Design. As a multifaceted theatre and film artist, she prioritizes mental safety first with a Chekhovian approach through Devised Theatre elements. You may have recently seen her on Carnegie Stage in Elsewhere's production of *Angels in America* as the Company Manager, a teaching artist for Footlight Players over the summer at IUP, or perhaps teaching at Sue Hewitt's Dance Studio. Currently, she is the Vocal Director and Assistant for Homer Center's Fall musical, *Shrek*, showing at the end of November. Jesse is thrilled to be back on this stage collaborating with so many talented artists and is grateful for Sam and this opportunity.

MEGHAN CRONIN is a Literature and Criticism PhD candidate at IUP and proud to serve on the Indiana Players Board of Directors as Secretary. This is her fourth production as an actor and sixth production as costumer. She also works as a cataloguer and researcher for the IUP Historic Clothing Collection. In her (little) spare time, she likes to read, sew historical clothing, and help spread her passion of Shakespeare through assisting the Indiana Players Shakespeare Team.

DAVID CUFF is a 5th year Theatre major at IUP performing in his first IPI production. David comes from the Philadelphia area and has been performing in theatre since elementary school. David has performed as a pirate in *The Pirates of Penzance*, Richard Hannay in *The 39 Steps, Abridged*, Wiesel in *Newsies*, Buck Wiley in *Memphis the Musical*, and in ensembles of other various musicals.

FINN LONJIN is thrilled to be performing in his second stage production. Building on the experience of their first play, he is excited to continue growing as a performer and exploring new characters. Finn would like to thank the cast and crew for doing a spectacular job.

ANDREW SHINGLEDECKER is pleased to return for his second show with the Indiana Players, following his role as Musical Director for the IPI's last production of *The Rocky Horror Show*. A

graduate of IUP's music department, Andrew has performed as a solo artist and a past member of the Austin, Texas-based dance band, Safety Patrol, and the international touring Americana band, The Bourbon Kings.

MEGAN SLATER is from Greensburg, PA and is currently a student at IUP majoring in Conservation Biology. She has been involved in multiple theatre productions before at Hempfield Area High School, such as being a Stage Manager for *Seussical*, Run/Build Crew for *The Addams Family*, Rumors, and *Almost, Maine*, as well as acting in *Onions in the Stew* and several one-act plays. This is Megan's first show with the Indiana Players and she is happy to be here. She would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her and wishes her cast mates much luck and love.

JONATHAN SMITH is a resident of Indiana Borough, where he serves on the Borough Council. In his daily life he champions opportunities for innovation through place-based systems as Indiana County Thrives' Program Coordinator. Jonathan was in his first Indiana Players show in high school where he met all his best friends doing *Bye Bye Birdie*. He is happy to be back on stage, amongst family, and building stronger connections through Indiana County.

LUKE SUMMERFIELD is in his second show with the Players following his debut in the One-Act Festival earlier this year. Luke is a lifelong Indiana County native and wants to give special thanks to his mother - Donna - for her support. He would also like to thank Eric Witmer and Sam Sherburne for their continued encouragement as well as the rest of the cast and crew.

DAVID TABISH has performed professionally for almost fifty years in both small and great regional theaters, from the Mississippi to Atlantic, as well as over 15 seasons locally with IUP's professional resident companies. Favorite roles include Bottom, Polonius, Big Daddy, Bellomy, Chasuble, several Neil Simon folks, and many wonderful roles created for him by playwright Ed Simpson. More recently he has begun writing and performing his own one-person pieces, which he titles Somewhat Imagined Memoir. These experiences combined with thirty years of teaching high school and university Theatre, English, and Speech, and directing educationally and professionally, have fed his creative urges.

CAST BIOS (cont'd)

ERIC WITMER first became involved with the Indiana Players in 2014 for the free parking space and somehow kept getting invited back for auditions. His most recent IPI project was in *Our Town*. He's also recently acted in the short film *Harvest Hospital* as part of the Pittsburgh 48 Hour Film Project.



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UPCOMING AUDITIONS

Miracle on 34th Street the play

Adapted by Mountain Community Theater
from the novel by Valentine Davies
Directed by Bill & Sharon Herring

Come by the Philadelphia Street Playhouse on **October 28th or 29th**, any time **between 6pm and 8pm** to audition for ***Miracle on 34th Street, the Play*** - an updated version of a Christmas classic. No experience required or preparation needed to audition!

Miracle on 34th Street, the Play has a wide range of roles for a large cast of all different ages, backgrounds, and experience. The show features 6 central characters as well as many supporting characters within the adult ensemble and youth ensemble. **Must be 8 or older to audition.** For more information on auditions and to see a list of characters, visit the Auditions page of our website: www.indianaplayers.com/auditions

ABOUT THE SHOW:

Miracle on 34th Street, the Play
Adapted by Mountain Community Theater
from the novel by Valentine Davies
Directed by Bill & Sharon Herring
Show Dates: December 6, 7, 8 and 13, 14, 15

The play opens at the 1995 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. By chance, Kris Kringle, an old man in a retirement home, gets a job working as Santa for Macy's. Kris unleashes waves of good will with Macy's customers and the commercial world of New York City by referring parents to other stores to find the exact toy their child has asked for. Macy's vocational counselor sees Kris as deluded and dangerous and plots to have him sent to Bellevue Psychiatric Hospital. Kris ends up in a court competency hearing. Especially at stake is one little girl's belief in Santa. In a dramatic decision, the court confirms Kris as the true Santa, allowing Susan and countless other children to experience the joy of childhood fantasy.

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34th Street**
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DECEMBER 6, 7, 8 & 13, 14, 15

FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS @ 7:30PM | SUNDAYS @ 2:30PM
House & Box Office open 30 minutes before each performance

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INDIANA PLAYERS, INC. is a nonprofit community theater group located in Indiana, Pennsylvania. Since their first show in 1977, the Indiana Players has continued to offer western Pennsylvania audiences the very best of dramas, mysteries, comedies, and musicals. With a strong focus on community involvement, the Indiana Players encourages anyone with an interest to join or get involved with a show.

Community theater is more than acting and directing! We are always looking for talented people with broad interests and backgrounds. From builders and painters and electricians to media specialists or grant writers, a donation of your time and skill is highly appreciated. If you have an interest, but lack the know-how, The Indiana Players prides itself on training beginners in all things theater. If you're not already a member, sign up today!

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