

March-May 2016 Calendar

Mar

1	Board Meeting	6:00 PM
4-5	Performance - <i>The Underpants</i>	8:00 PM
6	Performance - <i>The Underpants</i>	2:00 PM
8	Auditions - <i>Trip to Bountiful</i>	7:00 PM
10-12	Performance - <i>The Underpants</i>	8:00 PM
13	Performance - <i>The Underpants</i>	2:00 PM
15	Director's Resume Due	
23	Membership meeting - elections	6:30 PM

Apr

5	Board Meeting	6:00 PM
16	Bob Baker's Improv Group	7:00 PM
19	Auditions Youth Theatre Summer Fundraiser	7:00 PM
23	Spring Cleaning at the Guild	10:00 AM

May

3	Board Meeting	6:00 PM
6-7	Performance - <i>Trip to Bountiful</i>	8:00 PM
12-14	Performance - <i>Trip to Bountiful</i>	8:00 PM
15	Performance - <i>Trip to Bountiful</i>	2:00 PM

Theatre Guild of Webster Groves

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Telephone: (314) 962-0876
 Website: www.theatreguildwg.org
 General Info. Email: tgwg.info@gmail.com
 Tickets: \$15 Adults
 Rates may vary for fundraiser productions. \$12 Students/Seniors

Sorry, we do not take reservations.

The Underpants

Director's Notes

Welcome to our production of Steve Martin's adaptation of Carl Sternheim's THE UNDERPANTS. We hope it's a lot of fun for you. Disguised as an innocent farce of sexual obsession and indiscretion, it uses laughter to gently skewer the unexamined morals and mores of a hypocritical middle class.

But the credentials and impact of the play's creators run deeper than that.

The playwright Sternheim was a bit of a Renaissance man in early 20th century Europe. An avid art collector, he also published significant literary journals, introducing the first works of Franz Kafka. And his plays and short stories, comic assaults on the perceived moral corruption of the German bourgeoisie, were hard-hitting enough for the Nazis (aware of his Jewish bloodline) to ban them during their reign.

Enter Steve Martin, a true (and rare) Renaissance man of our times. Let's remind ourselves of his body of work.

Everyone knows him from his comic career – breakthrough stand-up, and classic Saturday Night Live appearances. He turned to movies, with outstanding results, including PENNIES FROM HEAVEN, ALL OF ME, PLANES, TRAINS AND AUTOMOBILES, PARENTHOOD, and his scripts of ROXANNE and LA STORY, resulting in an Honorary Oscar in 2013.

As a writer, he's also produced novels, SHOPGIRL (also a film), THE PLEASURE OF MY COMPANY and AN OBJECT OF BEAUTY, plays (PICASSO AT THE LAPIN AGILE, and BRIGHT STAR, a musical written with Edie Brickell, aiming for Broadway later this year), and for readers of The New Yorker, several short comedic gems.

Like Sternheim, he's been a prominent art collector, but unlike Sternheim, he's also a prominent banjo player. His albums (in collaboration with Brickell) have garnered him Grammy Awards (he already had Grammys in his closet from his comedy work.)

So, while both Sternheim and Martin were and are serious and eclectic artists, we should all be happy that, ultimately, at the end of the night, their main goal was to entertain us, and to leave us laughing.

Joe Hanrahan
Director

Up Next!

The Underpants

By Carl Sternheim adapted by Steve Martin
Directed by Joe Hanrahan

Tickets \$15 Adults
\$12 Senior and Students
March 4-6; 10-13, 2016

Performance time 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday
2:00 p.m. Sunday

All Guild members are invited to attend an
Opening Night Performance Party
Friday, March 4th!

We hope to see you there!



Scenes from *The Underpants*



Photos courtesy of R. Stevens

Cast

Theo Maske: Brad Kinzel
 Louise Maske: Britteny Henry
 Gertrude Deuter: Gwyneth Rausch
 Frank Versti: Todd Crippin
 Benjamin Cohen: James Wamser
 Klingelhoff: Larry Zerega
 Man at door: Terry TenBroek

Word Search! *The Underpants*



- Scandal
- Theo
- Louise
- Mortified
- Unruly undies
- Chaos
- Room rental
- Lodgers
- Puritanical
- Social outcast
- Besotted
- King's parade

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Join us for our **90th Season!**

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

September 2016

Wait Until Dark

November 2016

Sylvia

January 2016

The Death of Sneaky Fitch

March 2017

Doubt

May 2017

Director's Take Note!

Director submissions are due by **March 15!**

Please indicate if you have any preferences (certain shows or time slots) check the website in early March for the 2016-2017 season.

Send resumes to tgwg.info@gmail.com or by mail to 517 Theatre Lane, Webster Groves, MO 63119



Spring Cleaning!

Many hands make light work!
 Please join us on
April 23, 2016 @ 10:00 AM
 To spruce up The Guild!



Youth Theatre Auditions!

April 19, 2016 @ 7:00 PM
 Show dates in June!

Congratulations to all of our 2015 Theatre Mask Awards nominees!

Check out www.theatreguildwg.org for a full list of nominees!



Audition Notice! Audition Notice!

Trip to Bountiful

March 8, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Show Dates:
May 6-7; 12-15, 2016

Director:
Britteny Henry

Cold readings from script.
No appointment necessary.

Look for more info on upcoming auditions online
www.theatreguildwg.org



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