

2008 PLAYBILL

All MAINSTAGE performances at the Port Theatre
125 Front Street 250-754-8550

Friday, July 4th – 7:30 pm

Arms & The Man by George Bernard Shaw

Presented by Nanaimo Theatre Group, North Island Zone Festival

All's fair in love and war, or is it? One of Shaw's frequently performed classic comedies, it chronicles with his wit as it illuminates the humour of both heroic and romantic ideals turned on their heads.

Saturday, July 5th – 12:00 Noon Matinee

The Good Game by Roy Teed

Presented by Kersley Players, Central Interior Zone

Four hockey players re-unite with their championship team of thirty years ago to play a charity game.

Saturday, July 5th – 8:00 pm

A Lie of the Mind by Sam Shepard

Presented by Terrace Little Theatre, Skeena Zone

Told in three acts, set in the gritty American West, the story alternates between two families after a severe incident of spousal abuse leaves their lives altered.

Sunday, July 6th – 7:30 pm

Wit by Margaret Edson

Presented by Powerhouse Theatre (Vernon), Okanagan Zone

Wit tells the story of a woman struggling with ovarian cancer. In the words of the Pulitzer Prizewinning playwright herself, "It's a play about love and knowledge. And it's about a person who has built up a lot of skills during her life who finds herself in a new situation where those skills and those great capacities don't serve her very well. So she has to disarm, and then she has to become a student. She has to become someone who learns new things."

Monday, July 7th – 7:30 pm

8X10 Glossy by Sara Dreher

Presented by Leaping Thespians, Greater Vancouver Zone

When one thinks of the gay rights movement it usually conjures up images of inaccuracies, which unfortunately do not reflect the struggles of the diverse segments of our community – especially within the lesbian community. It is against this background of lesbian activism that we see a play about love and family dysfunction, as the story unfolds about a lesbian activist and photojournalist who returns home to the family farm for the one-year anniversary of her father's death.

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Tuesday, July 8th – 7:30 pm

Criminal Hearts by Jane Martin

Presented by Cranbrook Community Theatre, Kootenay Zone

*Audiences will delight in the quirky humor of this cross between **Thelma and Louise** and **The Grifters**.*

Wednesday, July 9th – 7:30 pm

'night Mother by Marsha Norman

Presented by Langley Players, Fraser Valley Zone

*night, **Mother** is a full length play with two characters on stage, Jessie Cates, late thirties to early forties, who lives with her mother, Thelma. The play opens with Jessie asking her mother where a hand gun is kept. Jessie finds the gun with Thelma's help. As Jessie cleans the gun, she quietly announces she's going to be kill herself at the end of the evening. Jessie's announcement sets off a fierce struggle between mother and daughter, with Thelma using every strategy she can conceive of to talk Jessie out of her plan. As the evening progresses, Thelma becomes so desperate, she resorts to telling Jessie the truth about a number of issues that have affected Jessie's life.*

Thursday, July 10th – 7:30 pm

Proposals by Neil Simon

Presented by Deep Cove Stage Society, North Shore Zone

A charmingly nostalgic memory play recalling the summer of 1953 and the last time the Hines family gathered at their retreat in the Poconos, complete with romantic entanglements.

Friday, July 11th - 12:00 noon *Matinee*

It Had to be You by Renee Taylor & Joseph Bologna

Presented by Yellow Point Drama Group, South Island Zone

After another failed audition, a 'B' class actress takes producer home with her for what turns out to be a surprising evening.

Friday, July 11th – 8:00 pm

American Buffalo by David Mamet

Presented by Stage North Theatre Society, Peace River Zone

In a Chicago junk shop, three small-time crooks plot to rob a man of his coin collection. Its existence came to light when the collector found a valuable 'buffalo nickel' in the shop. The three plotter punks fancy themselves as businessmen pursuing the legitimate concerns of free enterprise.

Warning: Language, adult themes and smoking.

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All WORKSHOP PLAYS at new venue, 25 Victoria Road

#1: **The Fetch** by Samantha Wright

Presented by **Space On The Floor Theatre**, Kootenay Zone

1st Performance – **3:00 pm Friday, July 4th**

2nd Performance – **3:00 pm Sunday, July 6th**

Shortly after returning from a holiday, Victor's wife Lila goes missing. Lila's twin sister tries to help solve the mystery. Will Victor crack under the pressure?

#2 : **Legoland** by Jacob Richmond

presented by **Stage North Theatre Soc.**, Peace River Zone

1st Performance – **3:00 pm Monday, July 7th**

2nd Performance – **3:00 pm Wednesday, July 9th**

Penny and Ezra, the infamous Lamb siblings, are extradited to Canada after a brutal attack on one of America's most beloved pop stars. A contemporary Vaudeville routine with ukulele, puppets, and gangster rap presented by the "Gruesome Twosome," Canada's youngest drug cartel.

#3 : (TBA)

1st Performance – **3:00 pm Thursday, July 10th**

2nd Performance – **3:00 pm Saturday, July 12th**