

Holiday Memories

The Quarantine Edition

Directed by Maggie Mixsell









Group A

Gary Delanoeye, Kathy Marden, Brian Silsbury & Jonathan Young

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A Note from the Executive Director Teri Ball

During these strange and challenging times, we may not be able to open our doors for live performances, but that doesn't mean we can't bring you wonderful entertainment from the artists of Santa Barbara. Since May we have produced several different digital offerings in our ongoing Digital Arts Festival. Visit our website to learn about the other Holiday Memories Videos, our Pianos on State Street Concert and the other great events. We have some more fun surprises coming up. Your support of this series, and all these digital events, will help us survive this intermission and be ready to welcome all our artists and audiences back hopefully very soon! We are doing everything we can to keep our staff employed and the theater lights on, and we appreciate your help in making that possible. Enjoy the show, tell your friends, and please stay safe and healthy. (Don't forget to wash your hands, stay 6 feet apart and wear your mask!)

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We are celebrating our 30th Birthday this year and would love to see & hear about your memories of your Center Stage adventures. Share your photos and stories on Facebook or Instagram, or email them to us and we will share them. While we can't gather at least we can enjoy some fun shared memories!

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The Choirboy
by Brian Silsbury

Thanksgiving in Uganda by Kathy Marden

Bad Hare Dayby Gary Delanoeye

Father's Day Forever by Jonathan Young

A Center Stage Theater Prodution

Directed by Maggie Mixsell

Lighting by Antonio Cruz Ventura

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Production Consultant Vickie Scott

Performers



Gary Delanoeye returns to Center Stage Theatre with a story, *Bad Hare Day*, that will be one of a dozen stories in his next anthology, *Romeo's Breakfast*. Gary's other anthology, *Clean Shorts*, includes humorous and poignant recollections from his varied experiences and some stories that are just out-andout fiction! Gary spent about 25 years as a special education teacher and administrator at a co-ed high school within a youth correctional facility. He learned a lot there, and his experiences and insights yielded *Checking in at the Crowbar Hotel* and *Letters from the Outs*... novels about the extraordinary char-

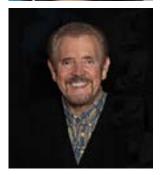
acters and events that could only happen when young adults are locked up! Currently, Gary is a faculty member at Antioch University in Santa Barbara. He works with teacher candidates and teaches Educational Research and Creativity courses. Gary lives in Carpinteria with his wife, Jill, and their cat, Vetbill.



Kathy Marden was last seen at Center Stage Theater in Copenhagen. Also at Center Stage she's been in Drama Dog's productions of Dance me to the end of Love, and The Boondawgle Estate in addition to 154 and Paradise, Mornings at Seven, Bill W and Dr. Bob, and Speaking of Stories. She was also in Ensemble Theater's production of City of Conversation. With the SBCC Theater Group she has been in productions of Dead Man's Cell Phone, and Harvey. For 11 seasons she was part of the Circle Bar B theater company. When not acting, Kathy is a psychotherapist and voracious reader.



Brian Silsbury, born in London grew up in the Isle of Wight; a small island, due south of mainland Britain. Later computer software assignments took him to Africa, Europe and the USA. He eventually hit the jackpot; a job in Santa Barbara and a naturalized US Citizenship. Once retired, Brian joined a local writing group and began documenting his memoirs. Now, it is one of his retirement passions because he enjoys trying to paint pictures with words hoping that his readers can enhance the story. In 2011 Brian hit the jackpot again when he met and married Roberta, a local girl.



Jonathan Young is a psychologist and storyteller who has performed in festivals from Los Angeles to Sydney to Edinburgh. His campus presentations have included Notre Dame, Harvard, and Oxford. He is featured in several documentary series on the History Channel. His background includes assisting mythologist Joseph Campbell, and later curating Campbell's papers. Jonathan is a professor of psychology who also trains therapists to use stories in counseling.



Maggie Mixsell, (Director) teaches performance and directing classes at SBCC. For seventeen years she was the Artistic Director & Director of Education Speaking of Stories. She previously taught in the BFA Acting program and for the Orientation division at UCSB. She received her Masters Degree in Dramatic Art with a directing emphasis in 1995 from UCSB. Her most recent productions as a director include Kate Cortesi's *LOVE at* Center Stage, Sam Shepherd's *Back Bog Beast Bait* at UCSB, *Lady and the Clarinet, Burn This* and *Camping with Henry*

and Tom for which Maggie won the Independent Theatre Award for Directing. Other local shows directed by Maggie include Two Rooms, Keely and Du, Mark Twain: the Trouble Begins at Eight, Eleemosynary and The Glass Menagerie. Before concentrating on directing, Maggie worked as a lighting designer having credits with Maverick Players, Dramatic Women and the Santa Barbara Shakespeare Festival. Maggie will be teaching two performance classes through SBCC Adult Education starting in the fall semester of 2021.



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