

## Rosebud Theatre & School of the Arts – 2023 Season

### Performing on the Opera House Stage

#### Jake's Gift

Written & performed by Julia Mackey

**Runs March 17 – 18**

#### Guest Production - A Spirited Remembrance Story

While revisiting Juno beach, a WW II Veteran encounters a precocious 10-year-old and confronts the story behind his brother's grave.

*Betty Mitchell Award for Best Actress – Calgary*  
*"a jewel of a show you simply can't afford to miss." —*  
*Louis B. Hobson, The Calgary Sun*  
*"Jake's Gift. Mark it down. Get your tickets right away."*  
*—Colin Maclean, The Edmonton Sun*

#### The Trip to Bountiful

By Horton Foote

**Runs March 31 – May 20**

#### Spring Show - Finding Home Again

A spirited old woman finally summons the courage to escape the crowded city apartment she shares with her son and his sharp-tongued wife to return to her childhood home town of Bountiful—a place of wildflowers and freedom. But will she make it?

*"a not-to-be-missed treasure" —Erik Haagensen,*  
*Backstage Magazine*  
*"A sweet play that captures an era that feels so far*  
*away, ... The Trip to Bountiful is a theatrical treat."*  
*—Pauline Adamek, Los Angeles Theatre Review*

#### The Sound of Music

Music by Richard Rodgers

Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II

Book by Howard Lindsay & Russel Crouse

Suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp

**Runs June 2 – September 2**

#### Summer Show – The Beloved Family Musical

A young nun is sent off to be governess to seven mischievous children. She teaches the children to sing, bringing a fleeting moment of happiness in the shadow of the rise of the Third Reich. A summer musical for the whole family!

*Tony Award for Best Musical*

THE SOUND OF MUSIC is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of The Rodgers & Hammerstein Organization.  
[www.concordtheatricals.com](http://www.concordtheatricals.com)

**Magic Lies: An Evening  
with W.O. Mitchell**

By Orm & Barbara Mitchell

Based on the Works and the Life  
of W.O. Mitchell

**Runs September 15 – October 21**

**Fall Show – Spell-Binding Storytelling**

W.O. Mitchell, known as Canada's Mark Twain, stampedes onto the Opera House stage to regale us with his telltale ramble of stories, characters and impressions in this **World Premiere** written by his son and daughter-in-law.

**All is Calm: The Christmas  
Truce of 1914**

By Peter Rothstein

Vocal Arrangements by Erick  
Lichte & Timothy C. Takach

**Runs November 3 – December 23**

**Christmas Show – Music Overcoming Conflict**

The remarkable true story of the Christmas truce of 1914—an extraordinary night of camaraderie, music, and above all peace, told in the words and songs of the men who lived it.

*"The joy of "Peace on Earth" rarely has seemed so real as it does in this sweet story of a Christmas Day when enemies embraced each other." —Graydon Royce, Star Tribune*

**Performing on the Studio Stage**

**The Syringa Tree**

By Pamela Gien

**Runs July 7 – September 2**

**Summer Studio Stage show - Overcoming Division**

A middle-aged woman recollects a story of abiding love between two families, one black, one white, and the two children that were born into their shared household in early 1960's South Africa. A story of two families separated by racism, but connected by love.

*Winner of the 2001 Obie Award for Best Play  
"Astonishing...affecting...A deceptive sweet simplicity  
haunts The Syringa Tree" —Associated Press*

## Artists In Training presents...

### **Say Hello, Wave Goodbye**

Devised & Choreographed by  
Deanne Bertsch

Poetry by Judite Vold &  
Rebecca Orion

Featuring the music by  
David Gray

**Runs February 10 – 11 on the Opera House stage**

#### **Hope-Filled Dance Show**

The true story of a Rosebud student's courageous journey from an orphanage in Haiti to a new life in Canada, told through music, poetry, and dance, and featuring the music of David Gray.

Every ticket supports RSA students on their theatre study trip to Canada's West Coast and London, England.

*Devised by the creator of New Blood.*

### **The Glass Menagerie**

By Tennessee Williams

**Runs April 14 – 29 on the Studio Stage**

#### **On the Studio Stage – Timeless Family Memory Play**

When a gentleman caller arrives for dinner, the Wingfields are flooded with hope for shy daughter Laura. But will this mysterious visitor change things for the better?

### **RSA Christmas Show - TBA**

**Runs November 24 – December 16 on the Studio Stage**

A spirited and youthful Christmas performance hand-picked for RSA students and our Rosebud audience.