

### Welcome to our 37th Anniversary Season!

We were grateful to return to live performances in 2021, and now as we embark on a new year of storytelling, we invite you to join us for *A Season of Comedy and Contemplation*. The season includes shows that will help us laugh and escape our trying times but also shows that will provide thoughtful ideas and greater perspectives into the human condition, human struggles and human triumphs! Coming together under one roof for these stories can provide hope and healing as we triumph over isolation and fear. We will remain vigilant regarding safety protocols and adjust as needed. In the meantime, let's share time together and celebrate our shared humanity! Your presence makes a difference and I look forward to greeting you at ICT!

My warmest regards,

caryn desai, Artistic Director/Producer



# Marry Me a Little

by Craig Lucas and Norman René

The music of Stephen Sondheim

"If you're missing live theatre, it's a tonic" – The Guardian, London

The story of two single strangers who unknowingly live one floor apart is told entirely through songs written early in Sondheim's career or cut from his groundbreaking Broadway musicals.



# Valley Song

by Athol Fugard

"This extraordinary play is what theatre should be." – The Wall Street Journal

A young girl seeks the courage to embrace the future while her grandfather searches for the wisdom to let go of the past. The first post-apartheid play by one of the greatest playwrights in South Africa and the world, Valley Song is a poignant and hope-filled coming-of-age story that transcends politics.



# A Doll's House, Part 2

by Lucas Hnath

8 Tony Award nominations!

"A door that was once slammed so hard that the noise could be heard around the world is now being knocked upon, most insistently." – New York Times

Ibsen instantly propelled world drama into the modern age when his leading lady, Nora Helmer, slams the door on everything in her life, making the shocking decision to leave her husband and children and start again on her own. In Hnath's stand-alone sequel, Nora has returned with a knock on that very same door, but why?



### Ken Ludwig's

## Lend Me A Tenor

A tribute to the Ackerman Family for their longtime ongoing support

"A furiously paced comedy
... A marvelous
combination of wonderful
farcical moments and
funny lines." – Time Out
New York

Tito Mirelli, set to perform the starring role, arrives late and passes out. Believing their star is dead, the opera manager taps his hapless assistant, Max, to suit up and replace Mirelli. Together, they must save the Opera Company's big night while navigating from one mishap to the next in grand, farcical fashion. A sensation on Broadway and in London's West End, this madcap, screwball comedy will leave audiences teary-eyed with laughter.



# The Legend of Georgia McBride

By Matthew Lopez

"GEORGIA MCBRIDE is by turns sweet and salty and deceptively deep... confirms Lopez's status as a writer worth hearing from." – New York Daily News

A heartfelt, feel good comedy "Stitch-inyour-side funny...full of sass and good spirits." – The New York Times

He is young, broke, the landlord is knocking on his door and now his wife is going to have a baby! Casey is an Elvis impersonator who gets fired in a run-down, small-town Florida bar. The bar owner is bringing in a B-level drag show to replace his act. Casey is about to learn a lot about show business and himself.

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Take Long Beach Freeway 710 South to the end of the freeway which becomes Shoreline Drive. Go East on Shoreline Drive to Pine Avenue. Turn left onto Pine, and turn right at second signal light (Seaside Way) to parking (and follow signs to the theatre).

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