

Press Release



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Mountain Community Theater Presents:

New Works Weekend

Produced by Ian S. Dyer

August 16-18, 2024

ALL PERFORMANCES WILL BE HELD At Park Hall in Ben Lomond, 9400 Mill Street

FRIDAY @ 8 PM	SATURDAY @ 8 PM	SUNDAY @ 2 PM
August 16 All Tickets Two for \$10 Talkback after the performance	August 17 All Tickets Two for \$10 Talkback after the performance	August 18 All Tickets Two for \$10 Talkback after the performance

New Works Weekend is Mountain Community Theater's celebration of our entire theater community presenting staged readings of new plays from playwrights around the region. This year we're presenting three one act plays as a set each night, and we are so excited to see how our audiences receive, enjoy and interact with these debut pieces. All tickets are 2 for \$10 for the entire weekend. We hope to encourage lovers of theater to take this chance to introduce new people such as friends, family, lovers and strangers into this beloved art form. The production takes place at Ben Lomond's historic Park Hall, 9400 Mill Street. There will be a talkback with the writers, directors and readers of one script after each performance. Subscriber reservations open July 19th, 2024 and tickets go on sale to the public August 2nd, 2024

All three plays will be read at each performance. We will be debuting "***Uprooted***" by Camilo Snyder-Alaniz and Mathew Chipman, two new young playwrights from Santa Cruz. This is a fantastical work following the travails of a newly broken-hearted tree spirit whose sorrow influences the fates of some of history's finest creative souls. "***Vodka Cran***" by Daniel Martinez, a playwright from San Jose, tells a story about love across time and space, while managing to fit the absolutely mythical into the everyday. Finally, MCT is proud to present "***Giving Up Smoking***" by Harvey Linda, playwright from Western Stage, in a story of love, loss, dance, and wine.

Featured readers include MCT veteran actors, **Amy Carlson, Jaden Fenn, Stephen Phillips, Kendra Kannegard, Sarah Marsh, Em Stewart, and Christina Wise**, as well as newcomers to MCT, **Sophia Alexander-Sidhom, Mathew Chipman, Michael Douglass and Luke Thornley**.

Directing the staged readings are Sue Ann Guilderman (***Giving Up Smoking***), Ian S. Dyer (***Uprooted***), and Jeff Dinnell (***Vodka Cran***).

MCT's New Works Weekend is proud to present a lineup of thought-provoking and intellectually stimulating new scripts that will get people talking and wanting more—come be a part of the magic of theater!

For more information or to order tickets visit: www.mctshows.org