

HOLMDEL THEATRE COMPANY

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HOLMDEL THEATER COMPANY presents STORY THEATRE

Holmdel, NJ — The Holmdel Theatre Company will present STORY THEATRE by Paul Sills April 16 through 24 at the Duncan Smith Theater in Holmdel. The play is a family friendly farce that is sure to delight audiences of all ages.

Highly acclaimed director Ken Wiesinger returns to Holmdel Theatre Company after directing several highly successful productions in the area including LE SUPERMACHE, which won the Samuel French festival in 2007 and the New Jersey premier of THE LARAMIE PROJECT at the New Jersey Repertory Company. This production features local actors Rachel Brudner, Ben Davis, Angela DeMatteo, Will Francis Elliott, Rebecca Harris Flynn, Hannah Friedman, Anna Oleinik, Nicholas Marchese, Geoff Shields*, and Volney Steffire. Mr. Shields is appearing courtesy of the Actors' Equity Association.

Performances will be held on Fridays and Saturdays, April 16-17 and 23-24 at 8pm with a matinee on July 18 at 3 pm. All performances are at the Duncan Smith Theater, 36 Crawfords Corner Rd., Holmdel, New Jersey 07733. Ticket prices are \$20 general public (\$15 for students and seniors). Reservations, which are strongly recommended, may be made by calling the box office at 732-946-0427 or on our website at www.holmdeltheatrecompany.org.

STORY THEATRE is a fabulous collection of famous fables and fairy tales based on the tales by the Brothers Grimm that's guaranteed to delight audiences. It was penned by Paul Sills, one of the founders of the improvisational comedy group "The Second City," which has turned out some of America's best-known comedians. STORY THEATRE was originally performed on Broadway in 1970 and 1971 and was nominated for a Tony award for Best Play.

The Holmdel Theatre Company was founded with the unique mission of offering dedicated high school theater students a chance to work alongside professional equity adult actors and directors. In accordance with this mission, Story Theatre features four current Holmdel Students: Rachel Brudner, Hannah Friedman, Volney Steffire and Nicholas Marchese. Another cast member, Angela DeMatteo, is a Holmdel High School alum.

There are many opportunities for Holmdel students to become part of the 2010 season. The Holmdel Theater Company will be casting some roles in each of the three main stage productions from students at the high school level. They will also be looking for assistant stage managers, running crew, lighting board operators and many other technical positions for students interested in apprenticeships. If you would like to learn more about the opportunities available at the Holmdel Theatre Company, please visit the website at www.holmdeltheatrecompany.org.

STORY THEATRE is being presented as part of its expanded line-up of three plays and two actor workshops. What began as a summer theater festival has broadened to span the entire calendar year thanks to a new heating system installed in the barn. Holmdel Theatre Company will now be offering a season of three shows a year with an annual spring show, summer show and fall show, as well as several workshops and readings throughout the year. Arthur Miller's masterpiece THE CRUCIBLE will be presented in July. Please see our website at www.holmdeltheatrecompany.org for more information.

ABOUT HOLMDEL THEATRE COMPANY

Holmdel Theatre Company provides artistic opportunities for students, alumni and community residents to perform in a professional environment. The Company seeks to integrate professional actors, technicians, designers and directors with non-professionals and young people in a synergistic artistic and educational exchange. The artistic philosophy of the Company is based on the commitment to presenting classical plays as well as rarely presented dramas and comedies. HTC's commitment to the challenge of providing artistic excellence, while staying true to its educational mission, has benefited not only the core group of the company, but any number of young thespians intent on learning the theatre trade, the New Jersey artists and technicians it employs, and the audiences, both loyal regulars and newcomers, who come to experience something different. For more information, please visit www.holmdeltheatrecompany.org.

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