



FPAA Newsletter

SUMMER 2023

A “picture” from the President

Don't let summer go by without enjoying local FPAA events! We have scheduled many exciting events for the next few months (see Events below).

We are planning to host a “Members Only” party for Saturday, October 21st so now is the time to join the Forest Park Arts Alliance at www.forestparkarts.org. Members also get discounted tickets for many of our events.

Our 48-Hour Film Festival program was a great success and plans are in the works to do it again in 2024, hopefully with even more filmmakers. View the film that won the “Peoples’ Choice Award” named the Heist by team Pfaff and P furious. View the video [here](#).

Don't miss the 3rd anniversary of Shakespeare in the Park – continue reading...

Karen Rozmus

Forest Park Theatre

The Forest Park Theatre is excited to announce the summer production of Measure For Measure. This will be the 3rd summer of free Shakespeare in the Park.

The performance will be hosted at the Grove at the Altemheim. There will be 6 shows. August 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th and 13th. All performances start at 5pm.

We believe that high-quality art should be available to all, regardless of economic circumstances and that art should be seen as a gift to the community.

To keep our performances free, we are currently looking for sponsors for this summer's performance. Sponsors are a critical part of bringing theatre to Forest Park. In addition, our sponsors gain valuable marketing exposure through our print, digital and event marketing.

We expect to host 1,000 - 1,500 people during our 6 performances.

Available sponsorship levels are as follows:

Producer - \$5,000

Sponsorship recognition (logo) on signage, programs, posters, flyers, social media and email. Reserved seating at performances. Producer sponsors also receive a framed poster signed by the cast and a framed costume design signed by the costume designer. Producer sponsors are invited to meet the cast after the performance

Playwright - \$1,000

Sponsorship recognition (name only) on event signage, programs, flyers, social media and email. Playwright sponsors also receive a framed poster signed by the cast. Playwright sponsors are invited to meet the cast after the performance.

Actor - \$500

Sponsorship recognition (name only) on programs and social media. Actor sponsors also receive a framed poster signed by the cast. Each Actor sponsor will be attached to an actor. They are invited to meet the cast after the performance, and connect to the actor they sponsored.

If you are interested in sponsoring but do not see something that fits your needs or budget we would be happy to work with you directly. Please email us directly at forestparktheatre1@gmail.com. One time donations are also always welcome - [Forest Park Theatre Donation](#)

About *Measure For Measure*

Temporarily left in charge by the Duke, the upright and uptight Lord Angelo has decided to crack down on the city's debauchery, arresting young Claudio for impregnating his fiancée Juliet before their wedding. When virtuous Isabella, Claudio's sister, hears of his death sentence, she begs Lord Angelo for mercy. But hypocritical Angelo propositions her instead, leaving Isabella with an impossible choice: save her soul or her brother's life.

Using our powerful storytelling style, Forest Park Theatre brings its attention to one of Shakespeare's most beautiful and unsettling plays. In this timely production, lovers and leaders in disguise reveal how those in power take advantage of those without it – asking the question, can the law be both just and merciful?

About the Forest Park Theatre

Forest Park Theatre (FPT) was founded in Forest Park, Illinois by graduates and faculty of the University of Illinois, Chicago School of Theatre and Music in the spring of 2021. In that inaugural year, our free production of Shakespeare's great comedy "As You Like It" was performed outdoors at the Roos Pavilion with a multi-racial, cross-gender cast to an audience of over a thousand people.

In August of 2022, we presented an adaptation of Shakespeare's Cymbeline centered around the character of Innogen; our performances, at The Grove at Altenheim, again served over a thousand people.

Forest Park Theatre is dedicated to language-centered, meta-theatrical, multi-disciplinary, multi-lingual, and multi-cultural performances that invigorate the classical canon and create new classics for the 21st century. We are also dedicated to bringing theatre arts to the

community of Forest Park through readings, educational programs and partnerships and productions of local scripts.

FPT operates with support from the Village of Forest Park and the Park District of Forest Park. FPT has the full support of the Mayor as an integral part of bringing arts and culture to Forest Park and its neighboring communities.

We are a non-profit company through our affiliation with the Forest Park Arts Alliance. We are proud members of the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce.

GarageGalleries

Garage Galleries is yet another 'unique to Forest Park' event featuring 87 artists in 32 Garages and a fabulous mix of art from photography, pottery and wall art to jewelry, sculpture and more.

New hours! Noon-6 pm. One hour longer than previous years.

New special attractions: Food vendors Smokey Joel's Red Hots, Brown Cow ice cream treats, Ashley Simone cooking demonstrations every 30 minutes, Taco cart and lemonade/water booth. Invasion of the Scarecrow kit pickup from Noon to 4:00 at

Maps of the Galleries and special attractions will be available by August 15 online at www.garagegalleries17.wixsite.com and in print at Centuries and Sleuths Book Store.

You can support Garage Galleries by choosing one of the sponsorship options listed below. Restaurants and shops, please email Garage Galleries if you're interested in collaborating with them on how to bring attendees to your restaurant or shop! garagegalleries17@gmail.com

EVENTS

Tuesday, July 11 – Stoop Session, 7 pm, Marie Alexandre, 1041 Thomas Avenue

Tuesday, July 25 – Stoop Session, 7 pm, Shannon Adams & Chris Palmerin, 505 Thomas Avenue

Tuesday, August 8 – Stoop Session, 7 pm, Grzelak & Medina, 633 Marengo Avenue

NOTE: Stoop Session Rain dates are on the following Thursdays.

Weekends, August 4 – 6 and 11 – 13 Shakespeare in the Park

Saturday, August 26 – Garage Galleries, Noon until 6:00 pm

SAVE THESE DATES

Tuesday, September 12 – Tellers' Night, 7 pm

Tuesday, October 17 – Tellers' Night, 7 pm

NOTE: Tellers' Nights are at Exit Strategy Brewing Co. 7700 Madison Street

Doors open at 6:30. Tickets \$15 / \$10 for FPAA members

Saturday, November 4 – Makers' Market

Visit www.forestparkarts.org for more information.