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Village Playhouse and Brookfield Players Plan Joint Season

The upcoming 2004-05 season will be a joint venture between the **Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa (VPW)** with the **Brookfield Players (BP)**. Each group will retain it's own corporate identity and financial structure, but will be sharing in the production costs of three major shows. Both groups bring a wealth of resources and talent to this project.

The season shapes up as follows. VPW lent person power (set construction, stage creww, etc.) to the Brookfield production of *Sweet Charity*, July 9– July 25 on the main stage of the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center fir the Arts.

Our first joint production will be Agatha Christie's *Murder On The Nile* with performances scheduled for October 1-3, 15-16, 22-24, 2004 at the studio theatre at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center. (see auditon notice on page 2)

VPW will again be producing a Children's show for the Wauwatosa Children's Theatre program, with plans to tour the show to sev-

eral other locations. Brookfield Players will lend their assistance.

The second joint production will be the *20th Annual Wisconsin Playwrights Original One Act Festival* to be performed in March 2005 at the Studio Theatre at Sharon Lynne Wilson Center. The One Acts are a long time VPW project and this year will mark the 20th anniversary. We plan to pull out all stops to make this a truly memorable year.



Last, but not least VPW and BP will join together in producing the musical *Oliver!* slated for the summer of 2005 (July) on the Main stage at Sharon Lynne Wilson Center.

Stay tuned for more details or better yet, GET INVOLVED!

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AUDITIONS!

Murder on the Nile

August 9-10

7:00 PM

Brookfield Senior Center

2000 N. Calhoun Rd., Brookfield,
WI

Located between Gebhardt Rd.
and North Ave.



HELP NEEDED FOR *MURDER ON THE NILE*

The following jobs need to be filled for our fall production of *Murder on the Nile*: **Stage manager, Costumer/Wardrobe master or mistress, Photographer, Light design/tech, Sound tech., Props acquisition/manager, Set designer/set build director Set building crew & Stage crew.**

Help is always needed in the publicity and marketing of our shows, people who are willing to pass out flyers and posters., design programs., collect and print up cast bios.

We already have people volunteering for publicity and marketing, but anyone interested in helping in these fields is more then welcomed.

The position of Tech director has not been officially filled yet, but I think we have someone in line. As always, anyone interested in volunteering in ANY capacity is more than welcome.

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Larry Beckley – Producer

19th Annual Wisconsin Playwrights Festival Wrap Up

The VPW 19th Annual Wisconsin Playwrights Original One Act Play Festival completed a successful two weekend-two location run in May. Having a first weekend at Lincoln Elementary School in Tosa and the second weekend at the Boulevard Ensemble performance space in Bay View presented a number of challenges as did having 6 shows!

A big thanks to our playwrights: Ludmilla Bollow, Patricia Gaborik, Patrick Fogarty, Deborah Hershkowitz, Jody McIntyre and Christian Williams. Chirstian's show was presented as a staged reading due to health considerations with the cast and a special thanks to Christian for his understanding.

Finally, a big VPW ENCORE to our directors, casts, and crew!!!! EVERYONE WENT BEYOND SANITY TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.