


Village Playhouse of Wauwatosa

proudly presents

A Benefit Fundraiser for its 2013 AACTFest Entry



The Actor's Nightmare

by Christopher Durang

Having casually wandered onstage, George is informed that one of the actors, Eddie, has been in an auto accident and he must replace him immediately. Apparently no one is sure of what play is being performed but George (costumed as Hamlet) seems to find himself in the middle of a scene from *Private Lives*, surrounded by such luminaries as Sarah Siddons, Dame Ellen Terry and Henry Irving. As he fumbles through one missed cue after another the other actors shift to Hamlet, then a play by Samuel Beckett, and then a climactic scene from what might well be *A Man for All Seasons*—by which time the disconcerted George has lost all sense of contact with his fellow performers. Yet, in the closing moments of the play, he rises to the occasion and finally says the right lines.

On February 23rd, the Village Playhouse will perform *An Actor's Nightmare* in Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin at the Wisconsin State Theatre Festival. The show will be competing against other community theatres for the privilege of representing the state at the Great Lakes Regional Community Theatre festival which could lead to the chance to perform at national and international festivals. Come see great theatre while helping to offset the many expenses associated with representing the Village Playhouse at the state festival.

February 15 & 16, 2013 — 7:30 PM

February 17, 2013 — 2:00 PM

Walker's Point Center for the Arts - 839 S. 5th Street, Milwaukee

\$15.00

Tickets available in advance or at the door

For more information: www.villageplayhouse.org / (414) 207-4VPW (4879)

The Actor's Nightmare is produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service