

BACK STAGE

A NEWSLETTER OF THE FLINT COMMUNITY PLAYERS, INC.

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Upcoming Events

**Auditions! December 4 at 7:00pm
and December 5 at 4:00pm** for

TopDog/UnderDog. Character

Descriptions (2 Males):

LINCOLN: The topdog. African-American male in his 30s. Guitar skills an asset.

BOOTH: The underdog. African-American male in his 30s.

- * Please arrive early to fill out an audition form.
- * Be prepared to list any conflicts you may have during the rehearsal period.
- * Please prepare a 3 - 5 minute dramatic/serious monologue.
- * Cold readings from the script are also expected.

The play chronicles the adult lives of two African American brothers, Lincoln and Booth, as they cope with women, work, poverty, gambling, racism, and their troubled upbringings. This two-person drama is filled with gritty dialogue and age-old themes, rooted in a long tradition of fraternal rivals: Cain and Abel, Romulus and Remus, Moses and Pharaoh.



Welcome To The Re-emergence Of The FCP Newsletter!

Scott Augé

Apparently there was a newsletter in the past, but it has been on hiatus for some years I am told.

What I want to do with this is announce activities and opportunities – and most importantly give dates for this stuff.

If you have something to add to future newsletters – let Scott Augé know at scott_auge@yahoo.com! Believe me, help will be welcomed! Audition dates, activity dates, stories about shows, etc.!

Picasso at Lapin Agile Crew Needed!

Scott Augé

We need crew help! Are you interested in Costuming, Make-up/Hair, Set Design/Construction, Stage Crew (crew members during performance), Sound, Light, or Props? Drop admin@flintcommunityplayers.com a note to find out performance/rehearsal times and times crew can get into the building! Usually any time after 4:00pm is an OK time to drop in. If there are cars in the lot and the doors are locked, call the number found on the right side of the doors and someone will get ya in!

This a comedy written by Steve Martin of film and television fame.

Performances: February 10, 11, 12.

December 15, 2016 The next board meeting will take place at 6:00pm. The membership is welcome to view but not to take part in.

December 18, 2016 (Sunday) There will be an **Annual Christmas Celebration** with a basket available for **Toys for Tots**. The dinner will run from 3:00pm to 5:00pm (a dish to pass is not required but welcome!) An entree will be provided by the organization. Please RSVP with a text at 810-397-8986 (Karla's phone)!

March 26, 2017 (Sunday) The **Chicken Dinner** to raise money for a theater **scholarship** is planned at the Masonic Temple in Flint from 11:30am to 2:30pm. Prices are \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids. Do you want to volunteer? Show up at 11:00am to help set things up and meet people! Applications for the scholarship will be on the web site in January.

Resources

The main **Facebook** group for everyone is here
<https://www.facebook.com/TheatreFCP/>

Twitter is also available here
<https://twitter.com/TheatreFCP> Often it is used to announce auditions!

Did you know *membership and volunteers* have a **Facebook** group? It can be reached here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/93247976483/>

Wiki Formed For Process Improvement and Management

Scott Augé

There has been a need to share processes and procedures – and the “let's sit around the campfire and tell stories” method is not working. So, I have built a wiki on my domain to act as a reminder for folk and as a source for folk who are doing things. Better than paper cuz you can read it from home or wherever!

Such topic areas include front of house (ushers), backstage position descriptions, on stage things-to-know, etc. to a check list for program printing. Let's learn from each other!

Contact me if you want something added to the wiki – it would be best if you write it out in an email or if you're lucky, I will set up a user for you and you can edit away!

The wiki is a work in construction and often down, but when it is available, it can be reached at <http://fcp.amduus.com/wiki/>.

Why Become An Active Member?

Scott Auge

FCP doesn't require you to become a member to work in or on a show.

So why become one?

- Membership rates for educational workshops;
- Choose the leadership of the organization by the annual vote;
- Get involved in various committees to prepare for the upcoming season;
- FCP may be non-profit, but that doesn't mean FCP doesn't need money to operate in the real world – the US is a capitalist system and getting things done requires capital!

Upcoming Shows

<p style="text-align: center;">Main Season</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Picasso at the Lapin Agile</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Steve Martin</p> <p>Performances Jan 12, 13, 14, 20, 21 at 7:30pm & Jan 15 & 22 at 2:30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Already Cast!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ghost Light</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Topdog/Underdog</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Suzan-Lori Parks</p> <p>Performances Feb 10, 11, 12</p> <p>Auditions December 4 @ 7:00pm and 5th @ 4:00pm</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Curious Savage</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By John Patrick</p> <p>Performances Mar 2, 3, 4, 10, 11 at 7:30pm & Mar 5 & 12 at 2:30pm</p> <p>Auditions Jan 16th and 17th at 7:00pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Stop Kiss</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Diana Son</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Staged Reading)</p> <p>February 5th @ 4:00pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Already Cast!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">9 to 5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Musical</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Music and Lyrics by Dolly Parton</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Book by Patricia Resnick</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Based on the 20th Century Fox Picture</p> <p>Performances May 4, 5, 6, 12, 13 at 7:30pm & May 7 & 14 at 2:30pm</p> <p>Auditions March 6th and 7th at 7:00pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The House of Yes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Wendy MacLeod</p> <p>June 16, 17, 23, 24 @ 7:00pm</p> <p>June 18 & 25 @ 2:30pm</p> <p>Auditions April 23 @ 7:00pm & April 24 @ 4:00pm</p>

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