

THEATREWORKS SILICON VALLEY PRESENTS

It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play

Adapted by Joe Landry

From the screenplay by Frances Goodrich, Albert Hackett, Frank Capra, and Jo Swerling

Directed by Giovanna Sardelli

December 1-26, 2021 (opening night: December 4)

LUCIE STERN THEATRE, PALO ALTO

WHAT: TheatreWorks Silicon Valley celebrates the holidays with *It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play*. This heartwarming holiday production, adapted by Joe Landry from the screenplay by Frances Goodrich, Albert Hackett, Frank Capra, and Jo Swerling, offers the beloved 1946 film as a 1940s era radio play, complete with live Foley-style sound effects. Presented in a fun and theatrical style, this live radio-play version of the holiday favorite, told by five nimble actors who take on dozens of roles and provide all of the live sound effects, immerses audiences in the iconic story of George Bailey's iconic tale of love, loss, and redemption on Christmas Eve. *It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play* has been applauded by media including *The New York Times*, which said the holiday play "added another layer of nostalgia. It's easy for the audience to get caught up in the fun of creating reality from obvious artifice." *The Chicago Sun-Times* deemed it "One of the best holiday shows around. This is a fresh and inventive way of reconnecting with a classic story of love and redemption," and *The Chicago Tribune* called it "A well-loved tale told with style, charm and a heart so big it could burst the ribcage of the harshest Grinch." This yuletide hit will be helmed by TheatreWorks Artistic Associate and Director of New Works **Giovanna Sardelli**.

WHEN: Previews: Wednesday, December 1 – Friday, December 3, 2021
Opening: Saturday, December 4, 2021
Closes: Sunday, December 26, 2021

SHOWS: Previews: 8:00pm
Tuesdays: 7:30pm
Wednesdays: 2:00pm, 7:30pm
Thursdays: 8:00pm
Fridays: 8:00pm
Saturdays: 2:00pm, 8:00pm
Sundays: 2:00pm, 7:00pm

WHERE: Live performances at **Lucie Stern Theatre**, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA

ALSO Online. Video streaming will additionally be offered for *It's a Wonderful Life*, for patrons who prefer to watch from home. Audiences who purchase a streaming ticket will be emailed a link to watch the program at home on their computer, SmartTV or other device.

TICKETS: Ticket prices start at \$30; savings available for educators, seniors, and patrons 35 and under. Pricing subject to change.

SAFETY: Patrons must present a vaccination card, a photo of the card, or a digital vaccine record (myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov) with matching ID. Patrons who are legally exempted from

being vaccinated must reach out to the TheatreWorks Box Office at least four days prior to their performance. All attendees must remain masked while indoors. For more information and specifications for vaccination and mask requirements the public may visit **TheatreWorks.org**.

INFO: For information or to order tickets visit **theatreworks.org** or call **(650) 463-1960**

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PHOTOS: Downloadable high-res photos are available here: <http://cbpr.co/press/itsawonderfullife>