

THEATREWORKS SILICON VALLEY PRESENTS

## The Heart Sellers

By Lloyd Suh

Directed by Jennifer Chang

Northern California Premiere

Co-Production with Aurora Theatre Company and Capital Stage

April 2-27, 2025 (opening night: April 5)

Regional Premiere

MOUNTAIN VIEW CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

**WHAT:** TheatreWorks Silicon Valley presents the engaging new play *The Heart Sellers* by 2023 Pulitzer Prize finalist **Lloyd Suh** (*The Chinese Lady*, *The Far Country*). This humorous and heartwarming work takes its title from the 1965 Hart-Celler Act, which paved the way for thousands to become U.S. citizens. Set in 1973, *The Heart Sellers* centers on two Asian women navigating their first American Thanksgiving. Starting out as strangers who meet in the grocery store, Luna from the Philippines and Jane from South Korea find common ground in their shared experience, including their often-absent medical resident husbands, missing families and friends back home, and discovering the joys and challenges of life in America. As the women attempt to cook Thanksgiving dinner, they dream of discotheques, Disneyland, and the future in a timely celebration of the human spirit. *The New York Times* called *The Heart Sellers* “beautiful” and “politically astute.” *Boston Globe* said “Theater-makers talk often about telling stories that merge the epic and the intimate. There aren’t many contemporary playwrights better at that tricky balancing act than Suh.”

Acclaimed director/actor/playwright **Jennifer Chang**, who directed the World Premiere of *The Heart Sellers* at Milwaukee Repertory Theater, reunites with Suh to direct this co-production, which opened at Sacramento’s Capital Stage in Fall 2024 and will be presented at Berkeley’s Aurora Theatre Company before its run at TheatreWorks. *San Francisco Chronicle* called the play “a fitting tribute. Mines glistening jewels of humanity” while *BroadwayWorld* deemed it “a poignant look at friendship and courage.” **Nicole Javier** plays Luna and **Narea Kang** plays Jane in the TheatreWorks run of this play.

**WHEN:** Previews: Wednesday, April 2 – Friday, April 4, 2025  
*Opening: Saturday, April 5, 2025*  
Closes: Sunday, April 27, 2025

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

Sundays: 2:00pm, 7:00pm

**ACCESS:** **ASL Interpretation:** 7:30pm Tuesday, April 15, 2025  
**Open Captioning:** 2pm and 7pm on Sunday, April 20, 2025; 2pm on Wednesday, April 23, 2025  
**Audio Description:** 8pm Saturday, April 26, 2025; 2pm Sunday, April 27, 2025  
*Please register in advance, as service includes a pre-show talk 30 minutes before the performance.*  
**Masks Required:** 8pm Friday, April 11, 2025; 2pm Saturday, April 12, 2025; 2pm Sunday, April 20, 2025  
**Assistive Listening Devices available at every performance**

**EVENTS:** **Pre-show discussion with artists:** 6:30pm Thursday, April 3, 2025  
**Post-show discussions with cast:** 7:30pm Wednesday, April 9, 2025; 7:30pm Wednesday, April 23, 2025

**WHERE:** **Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts**, 500 Castro Street, Mountain View, CA

**TICKETS:** Single tickets (\$34-\$115) and Season 54 subscriptions currently available. Pricing subject to change.

**INFO:** For information visit [theatreworks.org](http://theatreworks.org) or call **877-662-8978**

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