



CONEJO PLAYERS
THEATRE

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Welcome to CONEJO PLAYERS THEATRE



I want to welcome you to Conejo Players Theatre. This has been a very special place in my life for the past 33 years! I'll never forget receiving an audition notice for *Evita* when we first moved to Agoura Hills; I had no idea then how enriched our lives would be with our amazing CPT family.

I have learned so much from these special people who support our theatre in so many ways: producers, directors, choreographers, actors, technical crew, stage crew, orchestra members, staff, and the incredible volunteers who make this all possible.

We are truly blessed to have Conejo Players Theatre in our community. CPT not only brings the best of theatre to us, but each volunteer has also helped build an inspiring and magical place where everyone can take a journey that will enhance and change their lives forever. **Whatever your passion is — whether it be seeing a great show, building sets, costuming, performing, directing, producing, ushering, etc. — we invite you to take this journey with us and become a part of our family.**



Devery Holmes
President

Proud Member of



Mission Statement

The mission of Conejo Players Theatre is to share in providing the community with a year-round schedule of affordable live theatre produced to serve the cultural, educational, and entertainment needs of the community; and to welcome and provide an avocational opportunity for all volunteers interested in the theatre arts to participate in the many activities of community theatre.

CONEJO PLAYERS THEATRE
presents

**CAR PARK
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Conejo Players Theatre • Thousand Oaks, CA

Aug 15 - 16, 2020

Sat & Sun at 4:30pm & 7:00pm

Production **STAFF**

Gabriel Vega	Director/Visionary
Beth Eslick	Producer
Carla Ames	Stage Deputy
Elena Mills	House Manager
Kathy Gallarza	Decorating Diva
Julia Kirkpatrick	Production Intern
Renee Delgado-Rose	Fundraising Chair
Jacqueline Epner	Assistant to Mr. Vega
Jeremy Zeller	Sound Engineer
Robert Chambers	Sound Technician
Mark Suarez, Andy Ames, Jesse Ames	Parking Lot Assistants
Stacy Mills	Donations Assistant

Special **THANKS**

Mark Holstrom (local show accompanist and longtime collaborator with our Director), Karen Graham-Hanna (helpful hands galore), Rita McCaffrey (again with all the help!), and all of the friends and families who have put up with us during the creation of this amazing project.

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The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) REVISED!
 by Adam Long, Daniel Singer and Jess Winfield
 **Aug 28 - 30, 2020**
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 THEATRE

Mark Twain's The Diaries of Adam and Eve
 by David Binney and Mark Twain
 **Oct 9 - 11, 2020**
 CONEJO PLAYERS Fri & Sat at 8:00pm
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Mark Twain's The Diaries of Adam and Eve is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concordtheatricals.com

Meet THE CAST

Adelle Ramirez is so happy to be performing with her husband and loving being a new mommy! Thank you Conejo Players for putting on this awesome event. Enjoy and stay safe!

Angelica Smith has performed in the Ventura and Los Angeles counties in a variety of productions, most recently Olivia in *Night Must Fall* at the Ojai Art Center and Helene in *Sweet Charity* at Conejo Players Theatre (earning a Broadway World Nomination). When not acting, she works as a music director (K-5th grade) and Spanish teacher. A special word of thanks for coming out to the show! thereangelicasmith.com

Ashley Park originated and starred as 'Gretchen Wieners' in *Mean Girls* on Broadway in 2018, which garnered her a Tony Award nomination, as well as Drama League, Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle, and Chita Rivera Award nominations. In the same season, she starred in the award winning KPOP and won the esteemed Lucille Lortel award for Lead Actress in a Musical, and second Drama League and Drama Desk nominations. Park made her Broadway debut in *Mamma Mia!*, originated the national tour of Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Cinderella* as stepsister 'Gabrielle,' was Lincoln Center Theater's 'Tuptim' in the Tony-Award-winning Broadway revival of *The King and I*, and appeared in Broadway's recent revival of Stephen Sondheim's *Sunday in the Park With George*. Park most recently starred as 'Jess' in Bess Wohl's *Grand Horizons* on Broadway.

Brent Ramirez is so excited to be performing with his wife. Brent owns Born to Perform Studio, a training outlet for youth performers in the Conejo Valley. MUAH to Chaisson, Phoenix, and Ryder @brent.ramirez @borntoperformstudio

Bryce Hamilton is thrilled to be in this concert! Past credits: Emma Goldman in *Ragtime* (Chance Theater), Miss Dorothy Brown in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (Studio C Performing Arts), and Mabel in *The Pirates of Penzance* (Art-In-Relation).

Cameron Warren is excited to sing as Tony with his Maria once again! Credits: Prince Eric in *The Little Mermaid*, Tony in *West Side Story*, Sir Harry in *Once Upon A Mattress*, and Lucas Beineke in *The Addams Family*.

Dan Tullis, Jr. first sang Ol' Man River just months after Paul Robeson, (for whom the song was written), died. . . no pressure. 1 of 20 *Show Boats* worldwide. He's been Officer Dan on *Married with Children*, Quixote, rafted with Huck and played Craps with Murphy, Pryor and Foxx.

Devery Holmes is the President of the Conejo Players Theatre, and is a lifetime member and a golden sweatshirt recipient. Devery is thrilled to be a part of CPT's first drive-in show with this amazing cast and production team. Favorite shows at CPT include *Camelot*, *Hairspray*, *Chess* and *Miracle on 34th Street* Radio Show!

Francis Cabison is so excited to be making his return to the Conejo Players Theatre Stage. "No other path, no other way, no day but today..." - *Rent*

Gary Saxer has been performing in the Conejo Valley for over 40 years. He's delighted to be on this stage with his wife Shelley again. The first time that happened was 38 years ago in *The Music Man* when he met her. Gary is nothing without her!

Ian Wolf has been performing since the age of seven and is currently a working actor in the Los Angeles area! He's super excited to be performing alongside the Conejo Players!

Jade McGlynn is excited to be back at Conejo Players Theatre! Even though the run of *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* was postponed, she can't wait for you to get a taste of the show!

Jennifer Scott is so thrilled to be able to sing alongside her Tony once again! Hoping to bring joy in such uncertain times :)

Jim Holmes is a proud life time member of Conejo Players Theatre and a recent Golden Sweatshirt Award winner. Jim enjoys being on the CPT stage as well as behind the scenes. He has performed in *Miracle on 34th Street*, *Teahouse of the August Moon*, *Me and My Girl* and *Bye Bye Birdie*. Jim has worked as musical director on shows including *West Side Story*, *Sweeney Todd* and *Wizard of Oz*. Jim is excited to be singing today alongside his wonderful wife and fantastic friends. Thanks for coming!!

Joanna Lynn Bert has been in *Sweeney Todd* (Johanna), *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* (Philia), *Singin' in the Rain* (Lina Lamont). Proud owner of Smile and a Song Princess Parties (since 2012), providing singing characters for children's events.

Joey Grady is happy to be outside! Stage credits: *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Gangster 2), *Songs For A New World* (Man 1), *Miracle on 34th Street* (Quartet Singer). He gives his socially distant love to his mom and sister.

John Eslick (Emcee) is a pre-show announcer at CPT, and is also an aspiring voiceover artist. He also performs onstage, most recently as Franz Liebkind in *The Producers*.

Jonalyn Saxer is currently starring as Karen in the first national tour of *Mean Girls* after appearing in the original Broadway cast in the ensemble. She will be seen as a Jet girl in the upcoming *West Side Story* movie remake directed by Steven Spielberg. Other Broadway credits include *Cats*, *Holiday Inn*, *Honeymoon In Vegas*, and *Bullets Over Broadway*. Other credits include *Moonshine: That Hee-Haw Musical* and *Gotta Dance* (now known as *Half Time*). Proud graduate of Syracuse University.

Kayla Bailey is thrilled to be performing LIVE this evening! Kayla has performed all over the world, in shows aboard Silversea Cruises, and at Carnegie Hall in New York! She currently resides in Woodland Hills and teaches private voice lessons via Zoom. Instagram: @kaylabaileymusic & @kbvoicestudio.

Lex Gonzalez is making her debut for a Conejo Players performance. The most recent role she has played was Phoebe in *A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder*. A special thanks to our director and producer for making this show happen! Hope you enjoy!

Lisa Evans Powell has been performing her whole life: solo, theatre, and choral. This is her first CPT production. Lisa's career is in social services and she recently earned her Doctorate in Social Work. She loves singing Sondheim!

Nicole Spadaro is thrilled to make her Conejo Players debut with this unique production. She can usually be found gracing the stages of the Simi Valley and Hillcrest Arts Centers.

Paul Panico is very grateful to Conejo Players for this fun event! Thanks to all the theater lovers for supporting. Enjoy the show.

Renee Delgado-Rose is thrilled to be performing again! You may have seen her here at Conejo Players in *Spamalot*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, *How To Succeed In Business...and Chess*. She is also the Business Director of CPT! When off stage, Renee is a Conejo Valley Realtor®.

Romy Sperling has performed alongside many stars in shows like *Best Little Whorehouse in Texas* and *Evita*. But her favorite co-star is her husband Ronnie. Her favorite role is mom to Cameron and Sarah.

Ronnie Sperling is a familiar face of Stage, Film, and Television. He started his film career working with Billy Wilder and co-starring opposite Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau. A director of over 50 Broadway musicals, this last summer he successfully launched his virtual "Artisan Theatre Company". Hugs and kisses to Romy, Cameron, and Sarah.

Sage McNeely is a 19-year-old vocal artist, performer, and songwriter. Sage received the Music Centers 2019 Spotlight award for non-classical voice. Sage also won the 2020 National Young Arts award for Popular Voice. Sage is currently recording an album of original songs.

Shelley Saxer has been a part of local community theater for more than thirty-five years. She has performed with Conejo Players, Cabrillo Theater, the Moorpark Melodrama, and Horizon Players. She has been the musical director for several Conejo Players productions, including *Carnival*, *Once Upon a Mattress*, *Gypsy*, *Wizard of Oz*, *Chess*, *West Side Story*, and *Sweeney Todd*. Shelley has also performed in numerous Conejo productions as an ensemble member, most recently in *Miracle on 34th Street* and *Chess*.

Stacy Hunter is a mother, teacher, and lover of all things performing arts! She has been seen on stage all over Ventura County for almost 20 years and is thrilled to be joining Conejo Players for this wonderful event.

Meet THE STAFF

Beth Eslick (Producer) is very proud of all the hard work that everyone working on this production has poured into its creation. She has done everything at CPT from working Front of House to designing costumes to running lights, but producing this amazing piece of work has been one of the biggest challenges of all! Enjoy the show, my friends.

Carla Ames (Stage Deputy) is excited to work behind the scenes at CPT this time, instead of on the stage. She hopes you enjoy the show!

Elena Mills (House Manager) is thrilled to be a part of the first CPT Car Park Show! As a long-time volunteer she is very proud of CPT for moving forward and giving people an opportunity to see and enjoy live theatre. Thank you everyone who is involved, you are amazing!

Gabriel Vega (Director) has been a member of CPT since 1992, and has appeared in five productions there, most recently as Nicely in *Guys & Dolls*, and Kolenkhov in *You Can't Take it With You*. Gabriel currently serves as the CPT Media Director. In 1996 he founded Comedy Tonight Productions and has produced over 75 musicals, plays, and revues. For nearly 20 years, he has run large (1400+ person) tabletop gaming conventions. Gabriel has performed on stages from Carnegie Hall to the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion. Gabriel thanks Kathy for her love and support, and thanks his CPT mentor Beth Eslick.

Jason Kirkpatrick (Parking Lot Marshall) is a litigation attorney by day, but a theater dad by night to his daughter Julia. He has participated in two shows at Conejo Players Theater, *To Kill a Mockingbird* and *Miracle on 34th Street*. Jason is grateful for the Conejo Players Theater and is truly honored to participate in a wonderful production with such an amazing and diverse group of talented people who come together and devote considerable time and energy to bring a magical experience to our community.

Julia Kirkpatrick (Production Intern) is excited to be a part of Car Park Theatre. She has previously appeared in the CPT productions *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Miracle on 34th Street*, *A Midsummer Camp's Dream*, *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Jr.* and *The Phantom Tollbooth Jr.*

Kathy Gallarza has theatre experience at Conejo as a strike volunteer, dressing room cleaner, bookcase builder, and front usher. In high school she sang in Chorus and Ensemble and performed in musicals. She held music classes at an Assisted Living Home and coordinated Holiday Events and singing shows for work. She learned patience, compassion and people skills raising two sons, being sister 7 of 7, and working over 30 years with doctors, staff, and clients as the Manager in a Medical Management Office. She enjoys singing at karaoke, going for walks at the park, and helping others in need. Thanks so much to Gabriel Vega for introducing me to this fun world!