

# Spotlight



discover what all the applause is about . . .

June, 2017

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

June 4, 5, 11 and 13 – AUDITIONS for **WAIT UNTIL DARK** (More Info, Page 3)

June 9 – OPENING NIGHT for **HARVEY** in the outdoor Amphitheatre! (Fun Photos on Page 4!!)

June 12 – BOARD MEETING, 6:30 p.m. @ Cobblestone Theatre, Volcano

June 14 – Chamber of Commerce Mixer at Volcano Amphitheatre, 5:30-7:30

## Opening June 9th


THEATRE UNDER THE STARS!

The Volcano Theatre and the St. George Hotel are pleased to welcome Mary Chase's *Harvey* to the outdoor amphitheatre! *Harvey* has been an American favorite since it was first brought to Broadway in 1944, running for four years (1,775 performances!) and winning the Pulitzer Prize for drama. It has continually been revived around the globe since that time and was adapted to film in 1950 starring Hollywood legend Jimmy Stewart. It became one of his most memorable and best-loved films.

The story follows Elwood P. Dowd, a good-natured, mild-mannered eccentric who is known in all of the cafeterias and saloons in his small town. He is polite and cheerful and always friendly toward any

strangers he might encounter. He has just one little problematic character trait: his best friend Harvey is an invisible six-foot-tall rabbit! (Yes, RABBIT!). Where ever Elwood goes, he brings an extra hat and coat for Harvey. He buys theater and railroad tickets in twos so that he and Harvey can go everywhere together. Being an embarrassment to his social-climbing relations, his sister and niece try to have Elwood committed to the local sanitarium, where confusion reigns supreme as to who is more dangerous to society: the easy-going dreamer with a vivid imagination or the people who want him to conform to THEIR accepted version of reality.

Volcano Theatre Company Presents  
Mary Chase's  
**HARVEY**  
Directed by Jim Estes  
June 9 to July 8  
Volcano Amphitheatre  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY  
EVENINGS  
Doors open at 6:30  
for picnicking  
Curtain at 8



Tickets Online:  
volcanotheatre.net  
**BOX OFFICE:**  
Hein & Co. Booksellers  
204 Main Street in Jackson  
Cash or Check only  
or 209-419-0744

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## HARVEY CAST

Robert Schell—Elwood Dowd  
Kimberly Pearlman—Veta Louise Simmons  
Alana Hein—Myrtle Mae Simmons  
Gina Serna—Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet  
Alyssa Rehart—Nurse Ruth Kelly  
Shawn Fourby—Dr. Lyman Sanderson  
Sid Cohen—Duane Wilson  
Rocky Lane—Dr. William Chumley  
Jessica Blankenship—Miss Johnson  
Alex Sharp—E. J. Lungren  
Shannon Whitaker—Nurse Dumphy  
Calvin Clements—Judge Omar Gaffney  
Roxanne Fausett—Betty Chumley

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The *Harvey* cast and crew is a who's-who of VTC award winners and fan favorites. Robert Schell (Elwood P. Dowd) won Best Actor in 2015 as the evil villain in the *Great Amador Carnival of 1886*; Rocky Lane (Dr. Chumley) won Best Actor last year for *Anne of Green Gables*; Kimberly Pearlman (Veta) returns from last years'

Best Production winner, *Lost in Yonkers*. Also from last year, *Tom, Dick and Harry's* Alyssa Rehart (Nurse Kelly) and Alex Sharp (E. J. Lundgren) came back to play with former cast member, now new Director, Jim Estes. The set has been decorated by another *Green Gables* winner, Alicia Barber and the costumes created by always-winning Perley Tyson and Kathleen Rich. Other cast members include: Alana Hein, Gina Serna, Shawn Fourby, Sid Cohen, Jessica Blankenship, Shannon Whitaker, Calvin Clements and Roxanne Fausett.

*Harvey* runs Friday and Saturday nights from June 9 thru July 8 in the Volcano amphitheatre. Door open at 6:30 for picnicking on the beautiful new sod (!!!) and a good time with friends prior to the show which begins at 8. Tickets are \$18/general, \$16/senior and \$14/children and can be purchased online at [www.volcanothatre.org](http://www.volcanothatre.org) or at Hein & Co. Booksellers, Main Street, Jackson. Be sure to bring your picnic basket, bottle of wine, favorite lawn chair and a warm coat or blanket, as evenings in Volcano can be chilly. Oh, and don't forget to bring your own Imaginary Friend! *Harvey* would like that!

## HARVEY CREW

Director—Jim Estes  
Producer—Paula Bibby  
Tech Design/Operation—Bob Duzdevich  
Script Supervisors & Stage Managers—  
Shannon Whitaker & Jessica Blankenship  
Costumes—Kathleen Rich, Perley Tyson,  
Robin Rehart & Dana Hein  
Set Design—Jim Estes  
Set Construction—David Bibby, Dave Fredericks,  
Chuck Hagyard, Mark Clinton & Paula Bibby  
Set Decoration—Alicia Barber  
Set Painting—Alicia Barber, Kathleen Harmon, Kate  
Hicks, Amber Adams, Judy Elliott, Kimberly  
Pearlman, Jessica Blankenship,  
Perley Tyson and Sue Haldane  
Poster Design—Sarah Tullus  
House Manager—Patti Fredericks  
Hair & Make Up—Jenny Oxier  
Opening Night Party Gals—Debbie Robinson  
& Toni Linde

**SEE LOTS OF FUN PHOTOS ON PAGE 4**

Volcano Theatre Company is holding

# AUDITIONS!

Sundays, June 4 & 11 @ 2 p.m.

Monday, June 5 and Tuesday, June 13 @ 7 p.m.

at the Cobblestone Theatre, Volcano

## Wait Until Dark

By Frederick Knott, Adapted by Jeffery Hatcher and Directed by Marty Brifman

*An electrifying, breath stopping crime thriller!*

*A blind woman matches wits with her con artist assailants by using her disability to her advantage.*

### PARTS AVAILABLE:

Susan—Our Heroine. Brave, resourceful, determined and sightless

Gloria—Bratty adolescent

Sam—Susan's husband. Condescending and controlling

Roat—The Criminal Mastermind. A true sadist

Carlino—A Con-Artist, ex-cop, did time. Not real bright

Mike—A Con-Artist but with a streak of good

### ALL ARE WELCOME—NO EXPERIENCE REQ'D!

For More Info, Contact Marty, 245-4200,  
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For Scripts, see Kathleen @ Amador Com.  
Foundation, Motherlode Plaza



## Suspenseful Auditions!

Merriam-Webster defines “suspense” as the state of being uncertain or a pleasant excitement as to decision or outcome. Volcano theatre Company defines “suspense” as edge of your chair excitement in a theatre so dark that the sightless are on equal footing with the sighted, as illustrated by its fall presentation of the iconic Broadway play “Wit Until Dark” written by Frederick Knott and adapted by Jeffrey Hatcher.

Auditions for the spectacular show will be held on Sundays, June 4th and 11th at 2 p.m. and Monday, June 5th and Tuesday, June 13th, both at 7 p.m. All auditions will be held in the historically unique Cobblestone Theatre in Volcano.

Volcano Theatre Company, the ONLY all-volunteer community theatre in the county, is actively seeking a new generation of actors, artists, designers, craftspeople, organizers, directors and creative thinkers to augment the legions of volunteers who have lead the theatre to award winning seasons since 1974.

“Wait Until Dark”, sponsored by Jeff Holman Auto Center and directed by Marty Brifman, is seeking 4 male and 2 female actors. Ages are flexible, with the exception that one female role is an adolescent. No prior experience is required. The show will run from September 16th to October 15th, Friday and Saturday nights with Sunday matinees. Scripts may be obtained from Kathleen Harmon at the Amador Community Foundation in the Mother lode Plaza, Jackson. For more info, call Marty Brifman at 209-245-4200 or email to him at: [brifman@volcano.net](mailto:brifman@volcano.net)



### Can You Find Us Now?

Our Volcano Amphitheatre has

**A NEW SIGN**

and it is a beautiful thing!

Many thanks to Kam Merzlak for the work and Kathleen Harmon for spearheading the project!!

# Having Fun with Harvey

