



43 years at play

Since 1974 DSP's non-profit objectives have been all about quality and accessibility: to present challenging and entertaining plays with an emphasis on innovative acting, directing and design, and to produce these plays keeping costs low so that live theatre in downtown Oshawa can be accessible to all members of the community. Committed to producing many Canadian plays, DSP also supports the work of local playwrights. Our shows are always chosen by the director, not by a committee, so there's passion for the piece right from the beginning.

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Auditions

DSP auditions are designed to be a comfortable experience. No fees, experience, monologues or appointments necessary, but it's advisable to read the script to determine your interest and suitability. People wanting to work backstage or front of house are always welcome.

Please call 905-725-9256 or email DSP to borrow a script for a couple of days.

Wyrd Sisters

by Terry Pratchett, adapted by Stephen Briggs
directed by Douglas Craven
November 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 2016 8 pm

Audition: Mon. Aug. 29, 2016 7:30 – 10 pm
Characters:
Playing Male 4 (Verence, Fool, Tomjon, Felmet)
Playing Female 4 (Granny Weatherwax, Nanny Ogg, Magrat, Lady Felmet)
Ensemble 7-9 people playing various males and females

Good People

by David Lindsay-Abaire, directed by Carolyn Wilson
January 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 2017 8 pm

Audition: Tues. Oct. 11, 2016, 7:30 – 10 pm
Characters:
Margaret about 50
Stevie about 30
Dottie about 60
Jean about 50
Mike about 50
Kate African/Canadian, early 30s

Dead Metaphor

by George F. Walker, directed by John Lunman
March 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, April 1, 2017 8 pm

Audition: Wed. Dec. 7, 2016, 7:30 – 10 pm
Characters:
Dean Trusk a returned soldier, 20-35
Oliver Denny an employment counsellor, 45-55
Jenny Trusk Dean's wife, 20-35
Hank Trusk Dean's father
Frannie Trusk Dean's mother
Helen Denny Oliver's wife, 40-55

Tickets

DSP Subscriber Benefits

Purchase a \$30 DSP Subscription and save 33% off regularly priced Shoestring single tickets. Subscribers may exchange tickets at no charge (subject to availability).

New this season! You can purchase subscriptions and single tickets online. Please visit DSP's website at durhamshoestring.org for details.

You can still connect with DSP directly to buy your subscription using the form on the reverse.

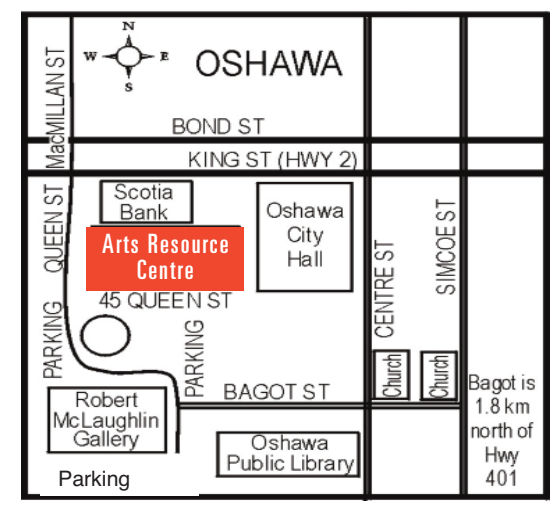
Single DSP tickets (\$15 cash) are also available two weeks before each opening at the United Way Information Services kiosk in the Oshawa Centre.

Like DSP's Fan Page at <https://www.facebook.com/DurhamShoestring>

Our Location

Attend DSP events at the 100 seat air-conditioned, fully accessible Arts Resource Centre, 45 Queen St., operated by the City of Oshawa. Plenty of free evening parking; doors open at 7:30; curtain at 8:00 p.m.

DSP does not admit latecomers until intermission due to the stage layout.



Brochure design + art: David Schembri Design 905.235.3730



2016-2017

"You'll learn there is another rule...
When you break rules, break 'em
good and hard."

"Lucky you. You made some
wise choices. But you're wrong
if you think everyone has 'em."

"...it's not always about what I believe.
It's sometimes about what
I'm expected to believe."



Wyrd Sisters

by Terry Pratchett
adapted by Stephen Briggs
directed by Douglas Craven



A true king murdered by a treacherous duke and his wicked wife. The land in turmoil. Sound familiar? But this isn't Scotland. It's Lancre on the Discworld, a world balanced by four elephants on the back of a giant turtle. Now, three very different witches must team up to restore the true heir to the throne. But first they must rescue him from life as an actor. Thoughtful satire by Britain's foremost humorist, Terry Pratchett.

Nov. 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 2016

8:00 p.m.

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Good People

by David Lindsay-Abaire
directed by Carolyn Wilson



In South Boston, where money is tight and entertainment means a few games of bingo, Margie Walsh has lost her job. Scrambling for a break, Margie thinks an old fling who's made it out of Southie as a doctor might be her ticket to a fresh start. But is success climbing over the class divide, or making the rent from the card you've been given? Margie is about to find out whether strength of character or a lucky break makes good people.

Jan. 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 2017

8:00 p.m.

Photographic Art by Phil Ireland

Dead Metaphor

By George F. Walker
Directed by John Lunman



Poor Dean. His only useful, admittedly awesome, skill is killing people from a distance. Great in Afghanistan, not so hot on the mean streets of Toronto. He's unemployed, his father is losing his mind, and his ex-wife/new bride is pregnant. Then the politicians come calling. This is acerbically funny theatre spinning left and right wing views, asking where will you make your stand? Deadly serious, seriously funny. Not for the easily offended.

Mar. 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, Apr. 1, 2017

8:00 p.m.

Strong language and mature content

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To purchase a subscription of 3 plays for \$30, you have three options:

- 1. Connect to online ticketing at durhamshoestring.org
- 2. Select your play dates, send DSP this form + payment and pick up your tickets at the first show.
- 3. Keep your schedule flexible, send DSP this form + payment and book your seats later by phone or email.

For options 2 and 3 send a cheque payable to Durham Shoestring Performers for:

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Or arrange with us by phone or email to pay cash at your first show.

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