



Dose this sound good?

Two sweet old ladies, a brother who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt and yellow fever victims in the basement.... what else could go wrong for newly engaged Mortimer Brewster? Oh yes, his murderous older brother could come back to town.

All theses shenanigans can mean only one thing, "Arsenic and Old Lace" is back, opening this Friday, Oct. 11, at the Barn Community Playhouse in Tillamook.

Written by Joseph Kesselring, this classic comedy has been performed to rave audience reviews since its Broadway opening in 1941.

Tillamook Association of Performing Arts director Kelli McMellon has assembled a cast of stage veterans and newbies, led by Karen Downs and Sandra Koops as the murderous Brewster sisters, Abby and Martha. Chris Chiola is Mortimer Brewster, with Mallary Staudinger playing his love, Elaine Harper, and Mary Allen playing Elaine's mother, the Rev. Dr. Harper. Mortimer's brothers make an appearance, with Cody Mann as Teddy Brewster, who thinks he is Teddy

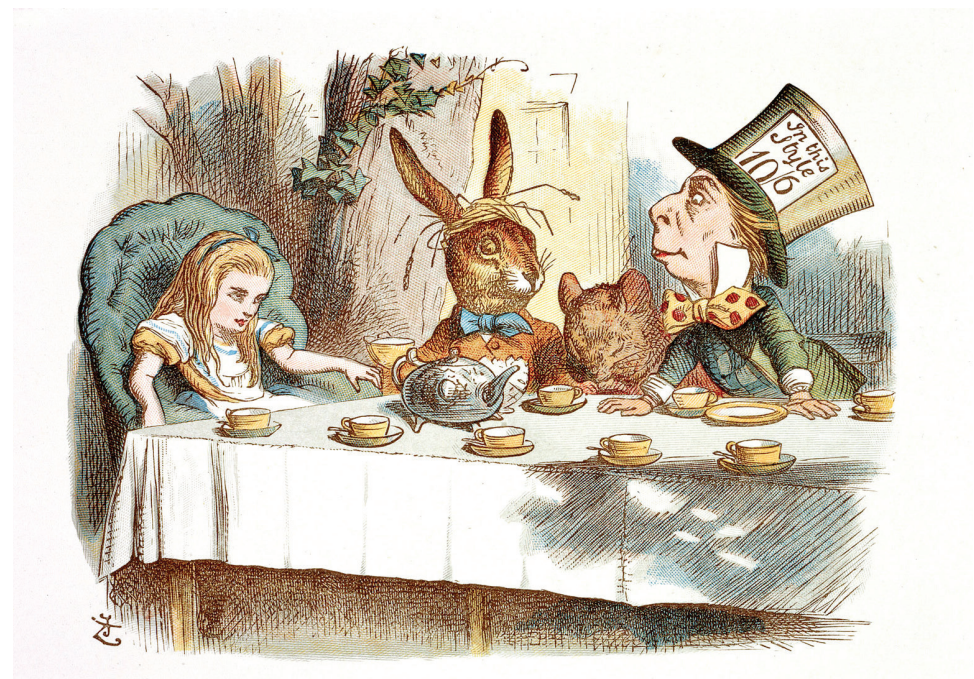
Roosevelt, and Sid Givens as Jonathon, who has had plastic surgery to conceal his identity. Jonathon's plastic surgery was performed by the alcoholic Dr. Einstein, played by Lynn Lothman. The local police force gets involved (of course), with officers played by Robin Ehley, Janice Bentley, Rachael Caldwell and Gerry Cortimilia. Rounding out the cast is John Rogan playing Mr. Witherspoon, the superintendent of Happy Dale Sanitarium.

The show opens this Friday, Oct. 11, with a gala celebration, where each ticket purchase includes a free beverage of choice and hors d'oeuvres.

The run will continue through Sunday, Oct. 27, with 7 pm performances every Friday and Saturday and 2 pm matinees each Sunday.

The Barn Community Playhouse is located at 1204 Ivy Street, on the corner of 12th and Ivy, adjacent to Les Schwab Tires.

Tickets, \$15 for adults and \$10 for kids 12 and under, are available at tillamooktheater.com or by calling 503-812-0275.



Don't be late for this very important date

Newport's Red Octopus Theatre Company will hold open auditions for the world premiere of "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland: A Curious Rock Musical" on Saturday, Oct. 19.

From the director behind 2018's wild and whimsical adaptation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," this groundbreaking new rock musical adaptation of "Alice's Adventures Underground" features 33 musical numbers.

Director Darcy Hogan and music director Milo Graamans have again joined forces for promises to be an incredible, innovative, magical, mystical, musical journey.

A large cast of actors, vocalists and dancers are needed to help bring this adventure to life. All roles are open.

"Forget what you think you know about these characters," Hogan said, "especially with regard to role size and importance — because this is unlike any 'Alice' you've ever seen."

Roles up for grabs include Alice herself, Ms. Liddell, Louis, Carol, White Rabbit, House Mouse, Dodo, Lory Bird, Squirrel, Crab, Caterpillar, Mushrooms, Mock Turtle, Tweedledum, Tweedledee, Duchess, Cheshire Cat, Nine of Hearts,

Deuce of Hearts, Ace of Hearts, Five of Hearts, Queen of Hearts, King of Hearts, Mad Hatter, March Hare, Dormouse, Jabberwock (Knave of Hearts), Bandersnatch, Mome Raths, Mimsy Toves, Borogove, Queen of Clubs, Executioner and others.

Most roles are open to any gender and all roles are open to any ethnicity. Many of the major roles require strong vocal skill, however there are non-singing, non-dancing roles available, as well as roles which require only singing or dancing.

While there are no dedicated roles for children in the production, experienced younger performers aged 10 and over are welcome to audition.

The Saturday, Oct. 19, auditions will begin at 10 am at the Newport Performing Arts Center. Auditioners should be prepared to stay until 1 pm, though many will be released earlier than that. Callbacks will be held the following evening — Sunday, Oct. 20, at 5:30 pm.

Rehearsals will begin on January 2, and the final production will run April 3 to 19, in the Alice Silverman Theatre at the Newport Performing Arts Center.

For more information, go to www.AliceTheRockMusical.com