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## Audition for Homegrown's 2016 season

Keizer Homegrown Theatre will hold auditions for all of its 2016 productions Nov. 12 through 14.

The auditions are being held together to make it easier for actors to consider and be considered for a wider variety of roles and plan for the year ahead. Auditions will be held by appointment on Nov. 12 and 13 between 6 and 8 p.m. There will be an open call on

Saturday, Nov. 14 from noon to 2 p.m.

Those wishing to schedule auditions should contact [homegrowntheatre@outlook.com](mailto:homegrowntheatre@outlook.com). Call-backs will be held on a per-show basis as needed.

The 2016 season features one reprisal of a 2015 show and four new productions: *Always Patsy Cline* in January, *Time Stands Still* in March, *Drop Dead!* in April, Shake-

speare's *Twelfth Night* in July, and *The Guys* in the fall.

Auditioners should bring a resume and prepare a monologue that is no more than two minutes long. Monologues can be provided at auditions. Hopefuls will have a chance to let producers know which show, or shows, they are interested in, so please consider that in choosing monologues.

Rehearsal periods will be approximately five weeks prior to the show dates listed. Exact rehearsal schedules will be determined by the directors.

A detailed character list can be found on KHT's website [www.keizerhomegrowntheatre.org](http://www.keizerhomegrowntheatre.org).

*Always Patsy Cline* is based on a true story. The revue tells the true story of the country music legend's unlikely friendship with a fan, cemented by years of letter-writing. Veteran performers Taylor Pawley and Carolyn Johnson will bring this remarkable story to life.

This is a reprise performance, so all roles are currently filled. *Time Stands Still* (cast of

four) by Donald Margulies focuses on Sarah and James, a photojournalist and a foreign correspondent trying to find happiness in a world that seems to have lost all moral bearings in the midst of war and its complications.

Theirs is a partnership based on telling the toughest stories, and together, making a difference. But when their own story takes a sudden turn, the adventurous couple confronts the prospect of a more conventional life. The director is Taylor Pawley, e-mail: [taylor.pawley@gmail.com](mailto:taylor.pawley@gmail.com).

*Drop Dead!* (cast of 10) by Billy Van Zandt and Jane Milmore is about a cast of has-been actors hoping to stage a comeback in their careers in *Drop Dead!*, a murder mystery directed by eccentric director Victor LePew. As the show

progresses, the mystery and murder extend to life beyond the stage, and these actors must save their lives in addition to the show and their careers.

The real director of the show is Molly Fitzsimons - e-mail: [mmfztsim@hotmail.com](mailto:mmfztsim@hotmail.com).

In William Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* (cast of 14 plus miscellaneous pirates), Viola, a young noblewoman and her twin brother, Sebastian, are shipwrecked and separated. Washing ashore to an island kingdom, Viola disguises herself as a young man and calls herself Cesario. She finds work in the household of Count Orsino who makes her his page and sends her to deliver love messages to Lady Olivia, but Olivia falls in love with Cesario who is really Viola. Viola, meanwhile, has fallen in love with her master,

Orsino, who is seriously concerned when he finds himself attracted to her even though he thinks she is the boy Cesario. Add a drunken uncle and a guitar-playing jester, both with a penchant for practical jokes, a returned brother who arrives with pirates and you have Homegrown's summer Shakespeare. The director is Linda Baker, e-mail: [ljb\\_jbs@msn.com](mailto:ljb_jbs@msn.com)

*The Guys* (cast of two) by Anne Nelson is a story set right after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks when everyone in New York is still in shock. Joan, an editor, receives a call from Nick, a fire captain who has lost most of his men in the attack. He wants to enlist Joan's help to write the eulogies he must deliver at the memorial services.

As they meet to discuss this project, they discover many different angles of humanity and an appreciation for the roles people play in each other's lives. The director is Dick McMahon, e-mail: [dickcmahon@hotmail.com](mailto:dickcmahon@hotmail.com).

## Trio brings home Crystal Apples

Three Keizer educators were honored with Crystal Apple Awards at a ceremony Thursday, Nov. 5.

Holly Rushton, a library media assistant at Clear Lake Elementary School, Terra Schiffer, an English teacher at Claggett Creek Middle School, and Kevin Wise, a teacher at McNary High School, were among 10 recipients of the annual award presented by the Salem-Keizer Education Foundation.

Rushton was nominated by both co-workers and parents who sung her praises in every endeavor.

"Holly has made the Clear Lake library a fun place for students to learn and grow from. Everything she does is for the better of the students," wrote Julie Ortman, a Clear Lake school counselor.

Rushton has taken an active role in the annual Battle of the Books competition at the school, teaches map reading during the annual Outdoor School, and volunteers with the Distinguished Young Women of Keizer Program for McNary High School junior girls.

Rushton was also called out for the ways in which she excites students about learning.

"I am honestly happy to say that (my son) frequently leaves me waiting in the car pick-up lane after school ... after yet another quick stop at the library. He knows that Mrs. Rushton will take the time to help him hunt down just the right book to satisfy his curiosity," wrote one parent.

Schiffer was cited repeatedly in nominations for her depth of caring.

"Whatever it is she is doing she does because, for her, the students and our school come first ... always," wrote colleague Noah Miles. "She knows that (our students) can be successful and she makes sure they know it too."

One former CCMS student also wrote in support of the nomination.

"Mrs. Schiffer is a perfect candidate ... because there is seldom a student who doesn't like her. Not only does she care

about her students and their academic career, she just cares in general. Her class helped me prepare for high school and life, and also helped me improve my writing skills," she said.

Wise, a special education teacher and head softball coach, was nominated by both his superior and students.

"Kevin has a special gift for building the confidence of struggling students and teaching them to believe in themselves. But he doesn't just build empty self esteem. He teaches his students job and life skills. Kevin brings in local businesses and community members to help his students explore different careers,

write resumes, and even practices interviewing for a job," wrote Rhonda Rhodes, Wise's supervisor.

He was praised by students in nomination letters for the way he bonds with them, "Mr. Wise is the type of guy that puts students first. He's a type of guy that protects the people that need to be protected. The only thing I've heard from any student (about Mr. Wise.) is 'Can I be in your class forever?'"



H. Rushton



T. Schiffer



K. Wise

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