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Joe Theissen, Kevin Cook (aka Poison Waters) and Leif Norby star in Lakewood Theatre Company's production of *La Cage aux Folles*, Friday, May 3 through June 9.

## *Family Pride* Musical comedy brings lots of laughs

The critically acclaimed *La Cage aux Folles* by Harvey Fierstein and Jerry Herman opens at Lakewood Theatre in Lake Oswego on Friday, May 3 with shows continuing through June 9.

The musical is based on farce by Jean Poiret and tells the story of Georges, a glitzy

nightclub owner in a same-sex relationship, whose son Jean-Michael has recently become engaged to the daughter of ultra-conservative and political family.

Jean-Michael's family tries to masquerade as "normal" when meeting the family of the bride to be. Jacob the butler (played by

Portland's Kevin Cook, aka Poison Waters), who really wants to be called the maid, has to learn to behave. But Georges' partner has other plans.

The play is the winner of multiple Tony Awards, including, best musical, score, book and revival. In 1996, the *Birdcage*, the Ameri-

can film with Robin Williams, Nathan Lane and Gene Hackman, debuted featuring the same story line but transferred the location from the French Riviera to Miami.

Tickets can be purchased at 503-635-3901 or online at [lakewood-center.org](http://lakewood-center.org); discounts available for seniors, students, and groups.