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About TheatreWorks Silicon Valley

Welcome to TheatreWorks Silicon Valley and our 49th season of award-winning theatre! Led by Founding Artistic Director Robert Kelley and Executive Director Phil Santora, TheatreWorks Silicon Valley presents a wide range of productions and programming throughout the region.

Founded in 1970, we continue to celebrate the human spirit and the diversity of our community, presenting contemporary plays and musicals, revitalizing great works of the past, championing arts education, and nurturing new works for the American theatre. TheatreWorks has produced 70 world premieres and over 160 US and regional premieres. In the 2018/19 season, we add the world premiere of Hershey Felder: A Paris Love Story and five more regional premieres to our résumé.

TheatreWorks' 2017/18 season included the world premieres of The Four Immigrants: An American Musical Manga and The Prince of Egypt, as well as regional premieres of Constellations, Our Great Tchaikovsky, Skeleton Crew, and Finks. In the course of the year, shows that debuted here were produced at theatres around the world.

With an annual operating budget of \$9 million, TheatreWorks produces eight mainstage productions at the Lucie Stern Theatre in Palo Alto and the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, and a special add-on holiday production at the Lohman Theatre on the campus of Foothill College in Los Altos. Seventeen years ago, we launched the New Works Initiative, dedicating ourselves to the development of new plays and musicals. The Initiative has since supported over 160 new works through retreats, workshops, staged readings, developmental productions, and the annual New Works Festival, inspiring The Mercury News to call us "a premiere breeding ground for new musicals, which has put the company on the national map."

TheatreWorks believes in making theatre accessible to the entire Silicon Valley community. Our Education Department reaches on average 20,000 students from 70 schools in 7 counties annually. It sponsors outreach programs that include the Children's Healing Project at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, the Young Playwrights Project, specially-priced student matinees, extensive school tours, post-show discussions, theatre camps, and programs for youth.

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From the Board Chair



If you are someone who enjoys travel, I bet you have fond memories of Paris. It's one of those places that lives first in the imagination, and rarely disappoints when you finally get to see what you imagined for so long. It has a unique romance that inspires and enchants and never fails to create memories. Paris is my favorite place to wander, knowing that whichever way I go I will find something wonderful—a view or a tasty sweet or a glimpse of a couple kissing in a doorway—triggering a memory

of a long past visit to my favorite city and creating a new picture to take home to savor

So I'm looking forward to revisiting Paris in our theatre with our dear friend, Hershey Felder. Hershey, like Paris, draws us into a story uniquely his and yet also ours, and wraps that story in music. As I write this, several weeks before publication and the opportunity to experience this tender memoir, I don't know which of DeBussy's beautiful works Hershey will incorporate, but I am confident that we'll be wrapped in the warmth and joy that this composer always brings. I take great pride in knowing that TheatreWorks brings you this lovely combination of memory, unique talent, and beautiful music. Enjoy!

As this 2018/19 season approaches its end (only one more play, *Archduke*, in this thought-provoking season!), I hope you too are looking forward to next season, and are as excited as I am about the thoughtfully chosen selections that will define our 50th Anniversary. Many subscribers have already chosen to be a part of it, and I hope you will join that special and much-appreciated group. As board chair I was privileged to witness the process of putting a season together. I know what care and pride has gone into creating a 2019/20 season that will thrill and inspire us all as founder Robert Kelley concludes five decades at the helm of the company. This next year will also provide a myriad of other activities to honor the past and celebrate the future. But for this moment, lean back, breathe deeply, and be in and of Paris...

Sincerely,

Judy Heyboer

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By Randal Myler and Dan Wheetman

Directed by Randal Myler WEST COAST PREMIERE

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Book, music, and lyrics by Paul Gordon Based on the novel by Jane Austen Directed by Robert Kelley

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To ring in the holidays, the Tony-nominated creator of TheatreWorks hits Emma, Daddy Long Legs, and Jane Eyre debuts an unforgettable musical of Jane Austen's beloved classic. This romantic comedy for the ages brings a witty, satirical edge and a contemporary beat to its engaging score. Let the battle of the sexes begin as a delightfully liberated Lizzie Bennet and a dashing, disdainful Mr. Darcy discover the irresistible power of love.

> "We are all fools in love." -Jane Austen Dec 4-29, 2019

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Hershey Felder presents Mona Golabek in

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Adapted and Directed by Hershey Felder
Based on the book The Children of Willesden Lane by
Mona Golabek and Lee Cohen

Holding fast to dreams of concert success, a young Jewish pianist escapes Vienna via the Kindertransport, arriving in England at the outset of World War II. In a stunning, nationally-acclaimed performance, concert pianist Mona Golabek recounts her mother's poignant saga of hope and resilience, underscored with extraordinary music from Bach, Beethoven, and many more. Created by TheatreWorks favorite Hershey Felder, it celebrates the power of music to transcend even the darkest of times.

"Astonishing. Stunningly good!" –San Francisco Chronicle

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FIGHTING TO FLY

THEY PROMISED HER THE MOON

By Laurel Ollstein

Directed by Giovanna Sardelli

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"I tumbled out of that airplane... with the stars in my eyes."

—Jerrie Cobb, The Mercury 13

Mar 4-29, 2020

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A MUSICAL CELEBRATION OF THE AMERICAN DREAM

RAGTIME

Book by Terrence McNally Music by Stephen Flaherty Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens From the novel by E. L. Doctorow Directed by Robert Kelley

TONY AWARD-WINNING MUSICAL

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"A colossal hit!" -New York Post

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A LOVE LETTER TO THE THEATRE

THE BOOK OF WILL

By Lauren Gunderson Directed by Robert Kelley

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What if Shakespeare's lines had disappeared forever? Amidst the clamor and color of Elizabethan London, this touching celebration of the theatre is a funny, heartwarming tale of lifelong collaborators struggling to assemble and publish the Bard's life's work—a lasting memorial to a lost friend. Facing a devious publisher, a cantankerous competitor, and their own insecurity, they illuminate this tale of love, loss, and laughter, the soaring finale of Artistic Director Robert Kelley's 50th season at TheatreWorks.

"Hilarious and poignant." -Chicago On Stage

June 3-28, 2020

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From Artistic Director Robert Kelley

A BIRTHDAY GIFT

The brilliant Hershey Felder has a very precise ritual before each performance: several hours of rehearsal, alone at the piano, the theatre empty with only a few exceptions. I was honored to be such an exception and loved slipping into the auditorium to listen to astonishing music played with immense passion and consummate skill. One night in June 2017, during the early performances of *Hershey Felder Beethoven*, Hershey interrupted his practice, turned from the piano and said, "Kelley, I want to play you something special, something I've been thinking about." He began an exquisite version of *Clair de lune*—beautiful, soft, haunting—then segued into another piece, then another, each as thrilling as the one before.

"I love Debussy" I said, "Is it your next show?"

"Perhaps, but different this time," he replied. "His music, of course, but also something very personal, something about the way he influenced my life."

"I hope you'll let me know."

Hershey smiled and turned back to Beethoven with his usual passion.

In January of 2018, Hershey was back at TheatreWorks with his profound and powerfully honest portrait of Tchaikovsky, and also with some stunning news. He was indeed working on a Debussy play, and wanted to have its world premiere here at TheatreWorks in recognition of the company's 50th anniversary and my impending retirement. I was thrilled, grateful, said yes immediately, and would later schedule A Paris Love Story to open the very week that our 50th year would officially begin. TheatreWorks was born on April 1, 1970, and we are honored to debut Hershey Felder's latest work as the starting point of the incredible 50th year of theatre that lies ahead.

Like many of us, I grew up playing the piano. What began as classical studies segued into pop, then rhythm and blues in a series of local bands. It's no wonder that TheatreWorks has done many shows with the piano at its center, from *Ain't Misbehavin'* (inspired by Fats Waller), *Tapestry* (Carole King), and 33 Variations (Beethoven) to *Two Pianos Four Hands* and four Hershey Felder shows, including his loving portrayal of the American icon Irving Berlin. The intersection of music and drama has been a primary focus of the company for almost half a century, and I am fiercely proud that *A Paris Love Story* is launching this 50th year.

Claude Debussy is one of my favorite classical composers. To me his works are like films, something I see as well as hear. Debussy's ravishing music conjures visual images that are haunting, romantic, captivating, aching, and much more. In the hands of Hershey Felder that music tells not only Debussy's story but his own deeply personal one, a story told from the heart and played out across the enchanted impressionist landscape of a shimmering Paris. It is a treasured birthday gift to all of us.

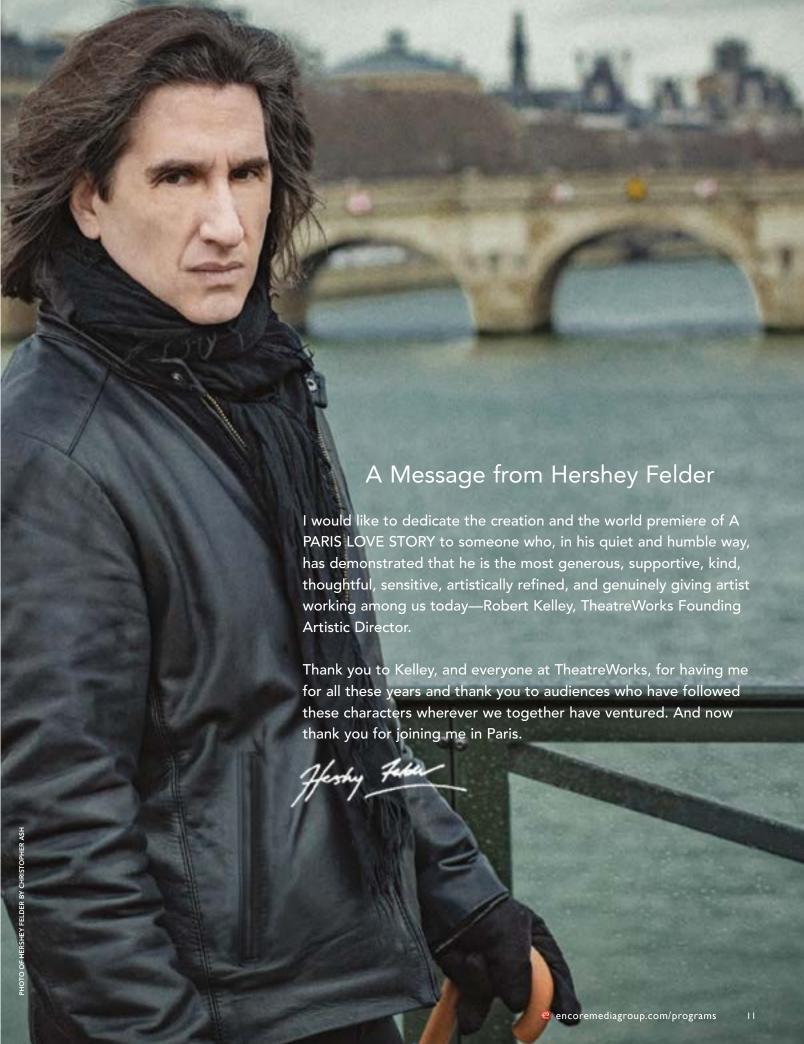


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A heartfelt thank you to my team of devoted artists without whom none of our work would be possible, especially Karen Racanelli, Erik Carstensen, Trevor Hay, Meghan Maiya, Stacey Nezda, Christopher Ash, Erik Barry, Diego Fuñes, Brian McMullen, Samantha and the entire Greek Family.

Robert Kelley, Phil Santora, Scott DeVine, Jeffrey Lo, David Milligan, Ev Shiro, Peter Chenot, Elizar Ivanov, Steve Muterspaugh, Frank Sarmiento, Carla Befera, Lauren Goldfarb, the box office and patron services staff, and everyone at TheatreWorks.

A special thank you to Candice and Joel Zwick, and Joel Zwick "Alone."

My father Jack, my sister and brother-in-law Tammy and Kevin, and their children Avery and Kiley. And of course, Leo and Kim.

The production thanks Steinway & Sons for their courtesy in providing the concert grand piano.



Artistic Director Robert Kelley once believed it took a handful of people to put on a show, but now, after 48 seasons, he knows it takes a village. Among TheatreWorks' many dedicated supporters are a few key individuals known as our Producers, whose leadership made this special production possible. We salute and thank them—for we couldn't take to the stage without them.

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HERSHEY FELDER A Paris Love Story

FEATURING THE MUSIC OF CLAUDE DEBUSSY

Written and performed by Hershey Felder

Scenic Design Hershey Felder

Lighting and Projection Design Christopher Ash

Sound Design/Production Management Erik Carstensen

Costume Design Stacey Nezda

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Historical and Biographical Research Meghan Maiya, M.A.

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Assistant Video Design Brian McMullen

Additional Movement Diego Fuñes

Assistant to Mr. Fuñes Louisa Pancoast

Consulting Producer Joel Zwick

Directed by **Trevor Hay**

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HERSHEY FELDER: A PARIS LOVE STORY PLAYS APRIL 3–MAY 5, 2019

Who's Who



HERSHEY FELDER (Claude Debussy/ The Boy/Playwright) Named to *Time Magazine's* 2016 Top 10 Plays and Musicals, Hershey

Felder has played

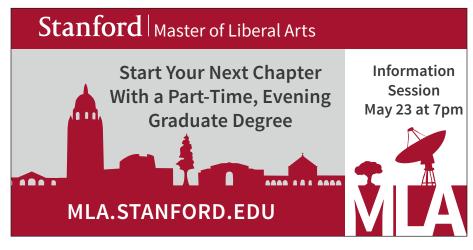
over 5,000 performances of his selfcreated solo productions at some of the world's most prestigious theatres and has broken box office records consistently. American Theatre Magazine has said, "Hershey Felder is in a category all his own." His shows include: George Gershwin Alone (Broadway's Helen Hayes Theatre, West End's Duchess Theatre); Monsieur Chopin; Beethoven; Maestro (Leonard Bernstein); Franz Liszt in Musik; Lincoln: An American Story; Hershey Felder as Irving Berlin; Our Great Tchaikovsky; and A Paris Love Story. His compositions and recordings include Aliyah, Concerto for Piano and Orchestra; Fairytale, a musical; Les Anges de Paris, Suite for Violin and Piano; Song Settings; Saltimbanques for Piano and Orchestra; Etudes Thematiques for Piano; and An American Story for Actor and Orchestra. Hershey is the adaptor, director, and designer for the internationally performed playwith-music The Pianist of Willesden Lane with Steinway artist Mona Golabek; producer and designer for the musical Louis and Keely: 'Live' at the Sahara, directed by Taylor Hackford; and writer and director for

Flying Solo, featuring opera legend Nathan Gunn. Upcoming projects include a new musical based on the award-winning book *Out on a Ledge* by Eva Libitzky. Hershey has operated a full-service production company since 2001. He has been a scholar-inresidence at Harvard University's Department of Music and is married to Kim Campbell, the first female Prime Minister of Canada.

TREVOR HAY (Director) directed the world premieres of An American Story for Actor and Orchestra, Abe Lincoln's Piano, Hershey Felder as Franz Liszt in Musik, Hershey Felder as Irving Berlin, and Our Great Tchaikovsky. He is Associate Director for Mona Golabek's The Pianist of Willesden Lane, Former member of the historic Old Globe Theatre in San Diego where, at the age of nine, his first position was selling Old Globe memorabilia. Over the next 32 years, Mr. Hay went on to various aspects of production on more than 80 presentations, including the Broadway productions of Jack O'Brien's Damn Yankees, How The Grinch Stole Christmas, and Twyla Tharp's The Times They Are A-Changin'. Included in his 23 seasons at the Old Globe were 11 seasons of the Summer Shakespeare Festival Repertory, as well as work on Tracy Letts' August: Osage County, directed by Sam Gold, and Hershey Felder's George Gershwin Alone, Monsieur Chopin, and Maestro Bernstein.

JOEL ZWICK (Consulting Producer) directed My Big Fat Greek Wedding, the highest-grossing romantic comedy of all time. Recent films include Fat Albert and Elvis Has Left the Building. Mr. Zwick directed the Broadway production of George Gershwin Alone at the Helen Hayes Theatre. He began his theatrical career at La Mama E.T.C., as director of the La Mama Plexus. He has directed on Broadway, Off-Broadway and Broadway touring companies. He and Hershey Felder have collaborated on Monsieur Chopin, Beethoven As I Knew Him, and Maestro. Currently, Mr. Zwick is recognized as one of Hollywood's most prolific directors of episodic television, having the direction of over 650 episodes to his credit. New York productions have included Dance with Me (Tony nomination), Shenandoah (Broadway national tour), Oklahoma (national tour), and Cold Storage (American Place Theater). He acted in the original New York production of MacBird. He directed Esther (Promenade Theater, NY), Merry-Go-Round (Chicago and Las Vegas), Last Chance Saloon, and Woycek (West End). Mr. Zwick has taught drama at Yale University, Brooklyn College, Queens College, Wheaton College, and the University of Southern California. He is a graduate (BA, MA) of Brooklyn College.

CHRISTOPHER ASH (Lighting and Projection Designer) is a scenic, projection, and lighting designer based in Philadelphia, PA. His work has been seen in 13 countries and nominated for 14 awards. Broadway: Saint Joan, Sunday in the Park with George. Regional: Wilma, Bearded Ladies Cabaret, Guthrie, Yale Rep, Philadelphia Theatre Co., Bucks County Playhouse, Classic Stage Co., Hartford Stage, Soho Rep, Engeman, Paramount, Drury Lane Oakbrook, Chautaugua Institute, Old Globe, Geffen, South Coast Rep, San Diego Rep, Victory Gardens, Laguna Playhouse, Wallis, Theatreworks. Opera: Paris Opera, Lyric Opera Chicago, Canadian Opera, Houston



Who's Who

Grand. Dance: Charlotte Ballet, Heidi Latsky, Anadolu Ateşi (Istanbul), CoisCéim (Dublin). MFA Yale School of Drama. christopherash.com

ERIK S. BARRY (Assistant Lighting Designer) is a freelance Lighting Designer based in Chicago. His designs have been seen at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Carnegie Hall, Harris Theatre (Chicago), and the Detroit Music Hall. He is the Resident Lighting Designer for Underscore Theatre Company and the Chicago Gay Men's Chorus. His work has received multiple Joseph Jefferson Award nominations. He received his Masters of Fine Arts degree at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. eriksbarry.com

BRIAN McMULLEN (Assistant Video Designer) has recently worked as the Projection Designer of Smokey Joe's Cafe (Finger Lakes Musical Theatre Festival), Associate Projection Designer for From Here to Eternity, Treasure Island (Finger Lakes Musical Theatre Festival), Cabaret (Fredonia Theatre and Dance), as well as a Video Content Creator for the 70th and 71st Annual Tony Awards (CBS). Brian received his BFA in Theatrical Production and Design from The State University of New York at Fredonia. www.brianpmcmullen.com

ERIK CARSTENSEN (Sound Designer/ Production Manager) has worked for Hershev Felder Presents since 2008. He has served as sound designer on Hershey Felder as Irving Berlin, Jamaica Farewell, Baritones Unbound, Louis and Keely: 'Live' at the Sahara, Jack Lemmon's Son, Rockstar, An American Story, The Pianist of Willesden Lane (2012 Ovation Award Nomination), Maestro Bernstein, Our Great Tchaikovsky, and Beethoven As I Knew Him (2009 Ovation Award Winner). Formerly, he was the master sound technician at the Old Globe Theatre in San Diego and was production engineer on over 60 productions, including Allegiance, Robin and the Seven Hoods, A Catered Affair,

Hershey Felder's George Gershwin Alone, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, Chita Rivera–A Dancers Life, Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas!, The Full Monty, Dirty Blonde, and Floyd Collins. Erik is a member of IATSE Local 122.

STACEY NEZDA (Costume Designer) is an Orange County, CA native, and was a dresser and stitcher at Laguna Playhouse, South Coast Repertory, and other regional theatres for 20 years before joining Hershey Felder Presents. Her favorite credits include her nieces' and nephew's annual Halloween costumes, especially the Frodo Baggins complete with big, hairy hobbit feet.

DIEGO FUÑES (Additional Movement) studied at the School of American Ballet, and danced with Cincinnati Ballet, New York City Opera, Metropolitan Opera, Teatro dell'Opera di Roma, and Baletto del Sud. His credits also include Broadway, touring, and international productions of Cats; Hello, Dolly!; Riverdance; Anything Goes; A Chorus Line; and The Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular. He danced in videos for MTV and alongside artists such as Liza Minnelli, Whitney Houston, and Will Smith. Choreography credits include: Beauty and the Beast; Hello, Dolly!; And the World Goes Round; Zorba!; Leader of the Pack; Subways Are for Sleeping; shows for Tokyo Disney; and the film, P.S. I Love You. His filmmaking debut, the short film, "Rendez-vous," has been screened at film festivals all over the world, winning Best Dance Video at the Super Short Film Festival and the Love Film Festival in Barcelona. Diego lives in New York City, where he is the founder and artistic director of de funes dance, and is the Director of the Peridance Youth Ensemble.

MEGHAN MAIYA (Historical and Biographical Researcher) is the Director of Research and Special Projects for Hershey Felder Presents (HFP). She has been doing biographical and historical research for HFP's new theatrical productions since 2013. Productions include: Hershey Felder as Franz Liszt in Musik; Hershey Felder as Irving Berlin; Our Great Tchaikovsky; Hershey Felder, Beethoven; and Hershey Felder: A Paris Love Story, featuring the music of Claude Debussy. Additional projects include Production Research & Imagery for Louis and Keely 'Live' at the Sahara. Formerly, Meghan worked in the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health at the University of California, San Diego as a Senior Program Evaluation Specialist and Project Manager. She coordinated multiple research projects in the fields of Integrative Medicine and Behavioral Health. Additionally, she spent 13 years as a psychology professor at San Diego State University and local community colleges and institutes.





Who's Who

KAREN RACANELLI (Executive Producer) comes to Hershey Felder Presents from Berkeley Repertory Theatre, where she worked as General Manager for 21 years, overseeing daily operations, and produced several shows performed and/or directed by Hershey Felder. She has represented the League of Resident Theatres during negotiations with both Actors' Equity Association and the union of Stage Directors and Choreographers, served on LORT's Executive Committee and served as a panelist at several LORT meetings. Prior to her tenure at Berkeley Rep, Karen worked as an independent producer at several Bay Area theatre companies and has served on the boards of Climate Theater, Overtone Theatre Company, Park Day School, and the Julia Morgan Center. Karen was named a 2016 "Unsung Hero of Arts Administration" by the national arts and culture organization. Fractured Atlas. She is married to Bay Area arts attorney MJ Bogatin.

SAMANTHA F. VOXAKIS (Producer/ Company Manager) spent 12 memorable years in the front office of the Baltimore Orioles prior to joining Eighty-Eight Entertainment in early 2004. Since soon after her first company assignment, she has been responsible for the day-to-day operations of Eighty-Eight LLC and Hershey Felder Presents. With special thanks to her family and Mr. Felder.

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PHIL SANTORA (TheatreWorks Executive Director) joined TheatreWorks in 2007. He has served as Managing Director of Northlight Theatre (Chicago) and Georgia Shakespeare Festival (Atlanta), as well as Development Director for Great Lakes Theatre Festival (Cleveland) and George Street Playhouse (New Brunswick). He holds an MFA in Theatre Administration from the Yale School of Drama and a BA in Drama from Duke University. He has served as Vice President of the National Alliance for Musical Theatre Board. Prior board service also includes the League of Chicago Theatres, Atlanta Coalition of Theatres, and the executive committee of the League of Resident Theatres (LORT). He was named 2000's Best Arts Administrator by Atlanta Magazine and received the Atlanta Arts and Business Council's 1998 ABBY Award for Arts Administrator.



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The Center is proud to serve as host to two Home Companies: TheatreWorks Silicon Valley and Peninsula Youth Theatre. We are also proud of our new SecondStage Home Company, Upstage Theater. These arts organizations perform a significant portion of their seasons in our theaters and contribute to the overall success of the Center.

PLEASE NOTE

- · All patrons, regardless of age, must have a ticket.
- Due to contract restrictions and the dangers posed to performers, cameras and recording devices are prohibited in the theaters during most events. Unauthorized cameras and recording devices will be removed and held by the Center until the close of the performance.
- Please do not bring food or drink (except bottled water) into the theaters.
- To avoid disruption of the performance, please set pagers to vibrate and disengage alarmed watches and cellular phones before entering the theater.
- Please become familiar with the exits. In an emergency, listen for instructions from Center staff. If instructed to do so, walk—do not run—to the exit. In the case of an earthquake, remain seated, or crouch below seats, then listen for instructions from Center staff.



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