



Item No. La

# TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA

## ROUNDTABLE ITEM REQUEST FORM

**Chris Vincent**

Department Submitting Request

**Town Commissioner**

Name/Title

**Meeting Date / Time**

- July 14, 2010 / 7:00 PM
- July 28, 2010 / 7:00 PM
- Oct 13, 2010 / 7:00 PM
- Oct 26, 2010 / 7:00 PM

**Deadline w/o Backup**

- July 8, 2010 / Noon
- July 26, 2010 / Noon
- Oct 11, 2010 / Noon
- Oct 24, 2010 / Noon

**Deadline w/ Backup**

- July, 2010 / Noon
- July 16, 2010 / Noon
- Oct 1, 2010 / Noon
- Oct 15, 2010 / Noon

**ITEM/ITEMS\*: Community Performing Arts Center Support**

**ACTION OR OUTCOME EXPECTED:** Discussion of Commission's interest in bringing back the Community Performing Arts Center and providing financial support for it in the 2010/2011 budget.

**SPECIAL NOTES:** In order to accommodate their stage setup needs for productions, we might have to reschedule a few Roundtable meetings.

**Exhibits:** Proposal from Community Performing Arts Center  
Newspaper article dated 7/23/2009  
2007/2008 Performing Arts Center Program



COMMUNITY  
PERFORMING ARTS  
CENTER Inc. of Lauderdale-by-the-Sea

4430 Sea Grape Drive, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, FL 33308  
Phone: 954-202-2666 Fax: 954-938-5312

REQUEST FOR PLAY DATES

FIRST PLAY

SET UP STAGE AND SET

EITHER NOVEMBER 30TH, 2010 TUESDAY

OR DECEMBER 1ST, 2010 WEDNESDAY

DRESS REHERSAL

FIRST PLAY PERFORMANCE

DECEMBER 2 - 3 - 4TH MATINEE AND EVENING

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SECOND PLAY

SET UP FEBRUARY 15TH OR 16TH, 2011

DRESS REHERSAL

PERFORMANCES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17 -18-19 TWO PERFORMANCES

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THIRD PLAY

SET UP APRIL 19TH OR 20th PLUS DRESS REHERSAL

PERFORMANCES THURSDAY, APRIL 21st, 22ND , 23RD

TWO PERFORMANCES



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Website: [www.LBTS-CPAC.org](http://www.LBTS-CPAC.org)

1. ~~DATES FOR PERFORMANCES: EX: WED, THUR, FRI. SAT.~~

~~SEASON STARTS THE END OF NOVEMBER:~~

~~SCHEDULE: NOVEMBER PLAY - 4 PERFORMANCES~~

~~DECEMBER VARIETY SHOW~~

~~JANUARY VARIETY SHOW~~

~~BEGINNING FEBRUARY PLAY - 4 PERFORMANCES~~

~~ENDING FEBRUARY VARIETY SHOW~~

~~MIDDLE MARCH VARIETY SHOW~~

~~MIDDLE APRIL PLAY FOUR PERFORMANCES~~

ALL VARIETY SHOWS TO BE HELD AT COMMUNITY CHURCH

2. GARAGE STORAGE UNIT FACING BOUGAINVILLIA DR.  
KEYS NEEDED FOR JARVIS HALL AND GARAGE UNIT

3. FREE ADVERTISING ON CHANNEL 78 AND TOWN TOPICS

4. GOAL: TWO (2) PLAYS FOR SURE, TRY FOR THREE OR A  
VARIETY SHOW IN IT'S PLACE.  
TICKETS \$20.00 EACH

5. TICKET GOAL: TO ENLIST NON-PROFIT TOWN ORGANIZATION  
TO SELL TICKETS AND RECIEVE 25% (\$5.00) FOR THEIR  
TREASURY

LBTS WOMENS CLUB  
LBTS GARDEN CLUB  
CATHOLIC CHURCH ALTERGUILD  
COMMUNITY CHURCH WOMENS CLUB  
OR CHILDREN GROUP

# NEWS

FALLAN PATTERSON FMPATTERSON@TRIBUNE.COM

## Town gives curtain call to LBTS theater troupe

For two years, the Community Performing Arts Theatre Troupe in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea has not heard applause, built a set or even memorized a line, as the town stopped its annual funding of the program.

Vincent Ragusa, founder of the nonprofit troupe, is beginning the program again and is researching fundraisers and possible sponsorships and looking at locations that could potentially host the shows, all while rehearsing for a new production.

"I don't know how, but we are certainly doing a play," Ragusa, 78, said. "People are aching for that kind of activity."

Reasons for the Town Commission's decision to stop funding of troupe vary,

depending on whom you ask. Ragusa said politics was the reason, while commissioners say Ragusa did not hold up his end of the bargain.

Commissioner Stuart Dodd said he is willing to look at a new proposal from Ragusa if he presents one to the commission.

"He didn't put on as many performances [in the past] as we would have thought," Dodd said. "It was costing ... more per seat than I would have liked."

The 12-year-old troupe previously used Jarvis Hall next to Town Hall, but Ragusa said his company is no longer allowed to perform there. Dodd, however, said Ragusa was not flexible with the scheduling of the multi-purpose facility, insisting on reserving the space entirely

for days to set up stage props.

"It was always a conflict, because if you look at the Jarvis Hall schedule, it's full," Dodd said.

Ragusa said he has contacted Holy Cross Hospital about using an auditorium and is thinking of contacting local condominiums about using their spaces.

"We haven't got an alternative," Ragusa said. "We need a home."

Ragusa also said he hopes to partner with local social clubs and businesses to gain sponsorship and get help selling tickets, with a portion of the ticket sales going to the clubs. "We need all the help we can get," he said. "Everybody's anxious to get started."

Lauderdale-by-the-Sea's beach pavilion has a sound-

board and can be used as a stage for concerts and variety shows, a possibility to which Dodd is open.

"I am 100 percent behind good performing arts and very supportive of amateur arts and productions," he said. "I'm in favor of anything that promotes tourism in town."

Ragusa, who has lived in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea for 14 years, said he chose to revive the troupe in hopes of training an apprentice who will replace him in the coming years. He also said he hopes young people who are interested in drama will take an interest in performing or participating in the behind-the-scenes work.

"I'm getting on [in years]," he said. "I want someone to leave this to."



**MONEY MATTERS** Producer Vincent Ragusa, 78, a 14-year resident of Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, is the executive director of the LBTS Performing Arts Center. Ragusa's nonprofit theater company is facing financial woes after the town dropped its annual funding of \$12,000. STAFF

PHOTO/KIMBERLY DIMARIE

Dear friends,

How time flies. This will be our 9th season of producing outstanding entertainment right here in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. We continue to grow and as we do, we continue to learn.

We've been quite fortunate in that we've received vital support from several sources. Our tireless dedicated board of directors continue to work hard to maintain the level of excellence in our entertainment programs. We are externally grateful for their commitment.

We are deeply grateful also, for the support received from our community. Plus, we are honored and we're extremely grateful to His Honor, the Mayor and to the commissioners of the town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea for their continuing, generous financial support of our programs.

All that said, we are most grateful to you who buy the tickets. Your support is the essential ingredient that makes it all possible. We try hard to keep ticket prices affordable, even though that means we're obligated to work with a fairly tight budget for advertising. We don't want to be the best kept secret in town, so we need your help to spread the word about our great shows to all your family, friends and neighbors. Will you help us?

And of course, if you're interested in supporting the arts with a contribution, or with your time and talent, we'd be delighted. Just give us a call.

Sincerely,



Vincent J. Ragusa  
954-202-2666

President, Executive Director

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Performing Arts Center  
2007 / 2008 Program

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Experiencing The Many Voices and Faces of  
**BETHANY OWEN**  
Impassioned - Charismatic - Magic  
In Her Own Words Show  
Saturday March 1st - 8pm - Jarvis Hall

**Lauderdale-By-The-Sea**

# PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



**Proudly Presents The  
Program For:**

**Our 9th Season of  
Outstanding Entertainment  
For The Community**

President, Executive Director

Vincent J. Ragusa

Directors

Loyola Gray

Lenore Nolan Ryan

Sunny Eckhardt

Treasurer - Connie Ragusa

Secretary - Irene Sullivan

# Lauderdale By The Sea Performing Arts Center - 2007 / 2008 Program

Nov. 30th, Dec 1st, 6th, 7th, 8th

## "MY NAME IS BILL"

2 ACT Comedy. A lighthearted story about a two fisted drinker, who thinks life owes him. He wants his share of the big part of life, he doesn't want to share it. Women are just fun things, until he hears a voice say "no.... no.....no"

**Starring: Jim Fredrick**  
**Written - Produced - Directed by:**  
**Vincent J. Ragusa**

Matinee: Dec 1st & 8th at 2pm  
 Dinner Shows: Dec 1st & 8th at 6pm  
 Show only: Nov 1st, Dec 6th & 7th at 8pm



Feb. 16th - 8pm (Saturday)

## PAUL PAPPAS

**Planist**

Boogie to Beethoven, Broadway to Billy Joel, Ragtime to Rhapsody, Jazz to Jerry Lee Lewis, with Swing, Country, Movie Music and lots more. So Much Excitement! His standing ovations start in the back row of the theatre. Direct from a tour of Holland American Cruise Lines.



His shows have been described as,  
 "Fast Flying Fingers and Fun"

ALSO

## "MUSICAL MOMENTS"

**Staring: Allison Lockhart & Kevin Yungman**  
 (1 SHOW ONLY)

Venue: Community Church  
 4433 Bougainvillea Dr, LBTS

March 28th, 29th, April 3rd, 4th, 5th

## OLD YORK! NEW YORK!

A Hilarious comedy portraying a situation that is EXPLOSIVE. Side splitting, Bring Extra Pampers!

A 2 act farce written and starring  
**Barrington "BARTY" Brown.**  
 Also starring **Arnie Reagan.**

**Special appearance by:**  
**Kim Bayley and Greg Bear**  
**Produced and directed by:**  
**Vincent J. Ragusa**

Matinee: March 29 & April 5th at 2pm  
 Dinner Shows: March 29 & April 5th at 6pm  
 Show only: March 28th, April 3rd & 4th at 8pm

Jan. 19th - 8pm (Saturday)

Direct from The Florida Club Circuit

## "A TRIPLE THREAT TO COMEDY"

**Jim Fredrick - A.Z. - Kirk Meadows**

ALSO

## "A BRIGHT STAR IN COMEDY"

**Richard Terry**  
 (1 SHOW ONLY)

Feb. 9th - 8pm (Saturday)

- **Shae Laurel** -

## "The Family that Plays Together Stays Together"

This talented family will bring Joy to your heart through their music - Bring the kids

(1 SHOW ONLY)

March 1st - 8pm (Saturday)

**Back By Popular Demand**  
**Impressionist**

## BETHANY OWEN

Her 3rd appearance in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea  
 Don't Miss Her Newest Show!  
 Visit her website for more info:

[www.BethanyOwen.net](http://www.BethanyOwen.net)

(1 SHOW ONLY)

March 8th - 8pm (Saturday)

**The Voice and Beauty of:**

## BILLIE WELLS

**The Side Splitting Comedy of:**

## CARL GUERRA

Her 5th appearance, His 2nd appearance to  
 Lauderdale-By-The-Sea

(1 SHOW ONLY)



## VENUE:

**Jarvis Hall, 4505 Ocean Dr.**  
**Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, FL**

## Directions:

From I-95, go east on Commercial Blvd. Go approximately 3.5 miles over the intracoastal waterway to A1A (Ocean Dr.). Proceed north (left) on A1A approximately 1/4 mile to Jarvis Hall on west side (left).  
 (Adjacent to Lauderdale-By-The-Sea City Hall)

## Ticket Pricing and Information:

Matinee \$10 \* Show Only \$15 \* Dinner Show \$40  
 Children under 12 - \$10  
 Ticket Sales: (954) 938-5312  
 For Group Information: (954) 202-2666  
 We accept credit cards

**\*\* Reserve Your Tickets TODAY! For Ticket Information Please Call: (954) 938-5312 \*\***