

THE THEATER COMPANY BUILT ON A DREAM

Dear Friend of The Glyndon Area Players (GAP) Theater Company.

First, I would like to personally thank you for your continued support, over the years, for the arts and of our Theater Company. As you know, for 25 years, we have been a theater-in-residence at Sacred Heart Parish in Glyndon, Maryland. The wonderful partnership with the Sacred Heart Community has allowed us to bring the magic and excellence of live theater to the local community at an affordable price.

Over those many years, we have managed to work with, work around, modify, and shift our production schedule to fit into the calendar of a vibrant parish community and school. We are and will forever be thankful for the use of that space and for the amazing staff that has worked with us. As we prepared for this summer's production, which started last September, we were made aware of major construction projects that would impact on our ability to use the Sacred Heart School space this summer. After much conversation in trying to find a solution for that space, we were faced with the decision to either "go dark" (not have a summer production in 2025) or find a new home.

After much praying and conversation, we re-visited our story, our mission – 26 years ago, a group of friends banded together around "theater" to create local history and provide both onstage and backstage opportunities to residents of our local communities. With the intent to perform, we launched our journey with limited experience, big ideas, much heart, and deep passion to deliver with excellence. We created our mission: To showcase local talent and provide a venue for an affordable local theatrical experience. Over time, even though faced with many obstacles, including the pandemic, we endured and have now become one of Maryland's premier community theater companies.

As if starting over, our amazing production staff pivoted to find a new home. 5 months later, reaching out to 13 venues, several interviews and visits later, we are happy to announce that we are bringing "Theater back to the Hill" at McDaniel College's WMC Alumni Hall. It is an amazing theater with old world charm, a balcony, and "padded seats"! The McDaniel College Events staff has been extremely receptive to hosting "our mission" and we are excited to showcase this beautiful space with our outstanding productions.

With that said, that means we are incurring new costs. This is where we are asking for your additional support. As I mentioned earlier, all theater companies were heavily impacted by the pandemic. Most were not able to stage their usual "large" productions that brought in necessary revenue. All this while still having to pay for warehouse storage for set pieces, props, and costumes. The Glyndon Area Players continued to perform smaller events, but our budget was heavily impacted.

As we introduce you to our new space, our new home, we are once again introducing GAP's Inner Circle to help offset production costs. This is an opportunity to support the arts and our mission to continue to showcase our local talent, and with this new venue, at a more professional level. All contributions will be invested into production of our shows: payment for the facility, show copyright, costumes, lighting, sound, set construction, props, etc. **All gifts are tax deductible.**

Now more than ever, we appreciate your support in any way possible.

Inner Circle Yearly memberships are as follows:

Sapphire	Emerald	Ruby	Diamond
\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$1500+
2 Show tickets	2 Show tickets	2 Show Tickets	4 Show Tickets
2 Production shirts	Premier seating	Choice seating	Choice seating
	2 Production shirts	2 Production shirts	4 Production shirts
		2 Special Event	4 Special Event
		Dinner tickets	Dinner tickets
			½ page Ad in
			Program

Please email me at hbayarena50@gmail.com for questions or to let me know you are interested.

Again, on behalf of The Glyndon Area Players Theater Company – THANK YOU.

We look forward to seeing you at our new location:

McDaniel College's WMC Alumni Hall featuring The Glyndon Area Players.

Sincerely, Homero Bayarena The Glyndon Area Players Founder, President