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Fall into the 'Rabbit Hole' with the Ross Valley Players

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The Ross Valley Players (RVP) is presenting the Broadway hit *Rabbit Hole* this spring. This absorbing piece, written by David Lindsay-Abaire, not only was nominated for a Tony award for best play, but also was awarded the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for drama.

The play was originally produced in 2006 and features Becca and Howard Corbett — a couple with everything until an accident shatters their lives. How they cope, evolve and emerge is told with wit, compassion and honesty. The play was later remade into a movie in 2010 starring Nicole Kidman.

"It reminds us how the human spirit has the power to heal," remarks producer Wood Lockhart. "Rabbit Hole is a contemporary drama filled with humor, hope and true humanity."

The cast includes Beth Kellerman of San Rafael and Gregg LeBlanc of Oakland as Becca and Howard Corbett. Other cast members include: Floriana Alessandria of Larkspur as Izzy; Maureen O'Donoghue of San Rafael as Nat; and Liam Hughes of San Francisco as Jason.

Kellerman has a degree in acting and directing and was a member of the California Repertory Company. She is the performing arts chair for San Domenico School and has performed with the Berkeley Rep, the Utah Shakespearean Festival and more. This is her premiere role with RVP.

This is LeBlanc's first return to the stage after nearly 10 years and also his first time working with RVP. His past credits include appearances in *Othello*, *Winters Tale*, *Romeo and Juliet* and more. Since his last time on stage, LeBlanc has been fulfilling his creative need by photographing theatre performances, actors and landscapes.

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Director is Mary Ann Rodgers of San Francisco. Other production staff includes: Diane Pickell-Gore of Novato, Ken Rowland of Raleigh, N.C., Ellen Brooks of San Rafael, Billie Cox of Ross, Maureen Scheuenstuhl of Novato, Eric Welch of San Rafael, Mark Toepfer of Novato, Michael Berg of Concord, and Ian Swift of Fairfax.

Performances will be May 13 through June 12, with Thursday performances at 7:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday shows at 8 p.m.; and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Cost is $25 with senior (62 and above) and youth (18 and under) tickets at $20 and Thursday shows $15 for everyone. A special "pay what you will" preview performance is set for May 12 at 7:30 p.m., allowing everyone to afford a night at the theater

All shows are at the Ross Valley Players Barn Theatre at the Marin Art & Garden Center, 30 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. in Ross.

The audience can participate and "talk back" with the director and some of the performers after the performances on May 20 and May 29.

For tickets, call 415-456-9555 or go to www.rossvalleyplayers.com.

(Photo Caption: Beth Kellerman as Becca and Liam Hughes as Jason share a touching moment in the Pulitzer Prize winning play 'Rabbit Hole' presented by the Ross Valley Players. Photo courtesy of Robin Jackson.)

(Press preview is on May 13 at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Shelley Klaner at 415-382-7770 or email KlanerPR at aol.com for reservations.)

Calendar Item:

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