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Ross Valley Players Presents *Tartuffe* — A Delightful 1960s Reimagining of Molière's Classic Comedy

Opening Night: September 12, 2025, at the Barn Theatre

Preview: September 11, 2025 | Runs Through October 12, 2025

Tickets: \$45 (Discounts Available for Members and Youth 18 and Under)

Ross, CA – August 24, 2025 — Ross Valley Players is proud to announce its upcoming production of *Tartuffe*, Molière's timeless satire on hypocrisy, reimagined with a vibrant 1960s twist. Directed by Adrian Elfenbaum, *Tartuffe* will preview on **Thursday**, **September 11**, 2025, and officially open on **Friday**, **September 12**, 2025 at the Barn Theatre in the Marin Art & Garden Center. The show will run for **five** weeks.

A Classic with a Groovy Spin

In this production, the sharp wit and biting social commentary of Molière's 17th-century masterpiece is transported to the colorful, rebellious 1960s. With mod fashion, swinging music, and countercultural flair, *Tartuffe* promises a hilarious yet thought-provoking evening of theater that shines a contemporary light on timeless human folly.

Executive producer Steve Price says, "At Ross Valley Players, our mission is to bring joy and delight to our community through the magic of live theater. *Tartuffe* may be nearly 400 years old, but its humor and humanity still shine today. By setting it in the colorful 1960s, we're giving audiences a fresh, playful experience that celebrates both Molière's wit and the timeless joy of coming together to laugh, reflect, and share in the power of live performance."

The Cast

- Steve Price as Tartuffe
- **Douglas Nolan** as Orgon
- Stephanie Hunt* as Elmire
- Chloris Li as Mariane
- Nicolas Moore as Damis
- Evan Held as Cleante
- Tamar Cohn as Mme. Pernelle
- Emily Anderson* as Dorine
- Eliot Hall as Valere
- Robert Molossi as Loyal
- Raysheina de Leon-Ruhs as Flipote
- Ceanna Saatsaz as Officer
- Alexandra Fry understudy
- Helen Kim understudy
- Robert Molossi understudy
- Thomas Peterson understudy

^{*}appearing courtesy of Actor's Equity Association

Creative Team

Producer: Steve PriceDirector: Adrian Elfenbaum

• Stage Manager: Benjamin Vasquez

• Set Designer: Mikiko Uesugi

• Set Construction: Michael Walraven

Assistant Stage Managers: Raysheina de Leon-Ruhs, Robert Molossi

Lighting Designer: Michele SamuelsCostume Designer: Valera Coble

• Sound Designer: Billie Cox

Properties Designer: Dianne Harrison
Intimacy/Dialect Coach: Molly Noble
Choreographer: Jannely Calmell

Stage Combat Consultant: Nicolas Moore

Press tickets: two press tickets are issued for Friday, September 12, 2025, which may be exchanged for September 13 or 14. RVP will accommodate other date requests as necessary. Email boxoffice@rossvalleyplayers.com to exchange tickets once received.

The following productions follow this one in the 96th Season. Please note the information about press tickets and exceptions to the regular schedule.

WAIT UNTIL DARK by Frederick Knott

Directed by David Abrams

November 14 - December 14, 2025

Preview: Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. Opening Night: Friday, November 14, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. Press Night: Friday, November 14, 2025, at 7:30 PM

Showtimes: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Exceptions: No show on November 27 or 28. 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, November 29.

THE HELLO GIRLS by Peter C. Mills and Cara Reichel

Directed by Maeve Smith January 29 – March 1, 2026

Preview: Thursday, January 28, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Opening Night: Friday, January 29, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. **Press Night: Friday, January 29, 2026, at 7:30 PM**

Showtimes: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Exceptions: 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, April 4.

RVP NEW WORKS: TÚ SOLO TÚ by Bay Area playwright Ramón Bustos

Directed by David Acevedo March 27 – April 12, 2026

Preview: Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Opening Night: Friday, March 27, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Press Night: Friday, March 27, 2026, at 7:30 PM

Showtimes: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Exceptions: 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, February 14.

MS. HOLMES & MS. WATSON – APT. 2B by Kate Hamil

Directed by Mary Ann Rodgers

May 14 - June 15, 2026

Preview: Thursday, January 28, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Opening Night: Friday, January 29, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Press Night: Friday, January 29, 2026, at 7:30 PM

Showtimes: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Exceptions: 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, May 30.

TICKET INFORMATION

Season subscriptions are available at www.rossvalleyplayers.com. Single tickets are \$45 and \$30 for previews and ages 18 and under. RVP members receive a \$4 discount. Group rates available for groups of 8 or more. There are no additional ticket fees. Contact the box office at boxoffice@rossvalleyplayers.com for more information.

BARN THEATRE

All performances occur at the Barn Theatre on the campus of the Marin Art and Garden Center, 30 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., in Ross. Parking is found in the Center's main parking lot.

ROSS VALLEY PLAYERS

Founded in 1930, Ross Valley Players is one of the longest running community theaters around. RVP is proud of our many awards and nominations. Among others, our productions have been nominated by Dean Goodman, the Bay Area Theater Critics Circle (BATCC), and Theatre Bay Area (TBA) Awards. RVP is also proud to be the resident theater company at the Marin Art and Garden Center. Visit our website at www.rossvalleyplayers.org for more information.