Long Beach City College Department of Performing Arts And Associated Student Body Proudly Present

PROGRAM

A Play by **John Cariani** Directed by **Anthony Carreiro**

11.29, 11.30 12.01 & 12.02 at 7:30PM

12.02 & 12.03 at 2PM B_™
LONG BEACH
CITY COLLEGE

ALMOST MAINE

Written by John Cariani Directed by Anthony Carreiro

The place: Various locales in Almost, Maine, a small town in Northern Maine that doesn't quite exist.

The time: from around 8:50 to a bit after 9 P.M.— on a cold, clear, moonless, slightly surreal Friday night in the middle of a Northern Maine winter.

Dedication: To all the people of Maine, but at this moment, particularly to the wonderful humans of the city of Lewiston. Our hearts are with you.

Cast

Prologue/Interlogue/Epilogue: Pete		
Her Heart: East Jerome Wallace Glory Anne Gundry		
JIMMY Desmond Guerrero WAITRESS Venus Robertson SANDRINE Adriana Larios		
This Hurts: MARVALYN Torrie Smith STEVE Alec Beay		
GAYLE		
They Fell (Thursday, Saturday, Sunday Matinee): RANDY		
They Fell (Wednesday, Friday, Saturday Matinee): DEENA. Reigh Levinstein SHELLY Jen Hanks		
Where It Went: PHIL. Devin Stone MARCI Lauren Jacobsen		
HOPE		
RHONDA		

A Message from the Director

Welcome to Long Beach City College's production of *Almost Maine*, and as always, thank you for supporting our arts programs and especially our wonderful students.

When I was deciding what play to choose, I must admit I was all over the map. Drama? Comedy? Classical? I quickly realized we need (or was it "I need") a comedy to give us all a break from the incessant negative news, political noise, and disinformation, that often makes us feel disconnected from others. That said, I find, the one thing that we all seem to agree on, is the need for love, in all its forms. Even when love hurts or arrives at the wrong time or the wrong place and maybe even with someone, we think is the wrong person, we still seek it, we still want it, and we still will do some crazy things to make it happen.

There may be a deeper message in these short, strange, silly, surreal, romantic, and ridiculous interconnected plays, but all I know is, it's time for some fun!

Thanks for coming and I truly hope you enjoy the show.

Acknowledgments

I would like to thank and express my deep gratitude to:

Visual and Media Arts student Teresa Escobar for providing original artwork for Seeing the Thing. Not only are they beautiful but they helped immensely to boost the metaphor of that play. Not to mention, it was a joy to work with you.

Thanks once again to my amazing assistant director, Frania Duenas and my superb, award-winning stage manager, Sarah Bernardo. While both these talented artists are busy doing many other projects, they still found time to get the A-Team back together (yes, they have saved me before) and once again, I simply and literally could not have done this without them.

Lastly, I would like to thank Tony Pearson and the Theatre Staff Team; Daron Sorg, Becca Roth, Yoselin Garibaldi, Rick Roessler, Steven Treglia, and our theatre LTE's Wilson and Laura. With only one performance space until our new building is finished, they keep finding ways to build everything we ask for to help our students. Their work often goes unsung. Please know how appreciated you are.

Anthony Carreiro 11/29/2023

Artistic Team

Anthony Carreiro Director	Cathy Crane Costume Designer	Steven Treglia Theatre Technician
Frania Duenas Assistant Director	Daron Sorg Costume Technician	Josh Bauser Front of House Coordinator
Sarah Bernardo	Yoselin Garibaldi	
Stage Manager	Hair and Makeup Coordinator	Laura Hernandez Wilson Pacheco
Shadow Zimmerman	Tony Pearson	Becca Roth
Scenic Designer	Auditorium Technical Coordinator	Theatre Staff
Michele Jones Lighting Designer	Rick Roessler Sound Engineer	

Crew

Our entire backstage crew provided by the wonderful TART 39 Theatre Students:

Emilia Anderson Ralph Bagnasco **Daisy Barth** TC Casement Alex Chavez-Sanchez **Kyro Davis Monaliese-Rose Davis Diane Flores** Joel Rodriguez Jeremiah Johnson-Young **Morgan Manley** (Prop Supervisor) Tara Osborne Rithya Sadao Brayden Racero Jashon Roberts (Costume Crew) Risa Sadao Aaron St. Dennis Ian Stanford Jade Stewart Nancy Tran

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Productions entered on the Participating level are eligible for invitation to the KCACTF regional festival and may also be considered for national awards recognizing outstanding achievement in production, design, direction and performance.

Last year more than 1,500 productions were entered in the KCACTF involving more than 200,000 students nationwide. By entering this production, our theater department is sharing in the KCACTF goals to recognize, reward, and celebrate the exemplary work produced in college and university theaters across the nation.

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