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This newsletter is for members and friends of Affordable Theater, Inc. of Los Altos, California. If you would like to receive a copy of your own, please contact us at:
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10 Things You Didn't Know About...

Procrastination

10. To postpone or delay needlessly.
9. Slowness as a consequence of not getting around to it.
8. Synonyms: adjourn, be dilatory, cool, dally, dawdle, defer, drag, gain time, goldbrick, hang fire, hesitate, hold off, lag, let slide, linger, loiter, pause, poke, postpone, prolong, protract, put off, retard, shilly-shally, stall, stay, stooge around, suspend, tarry, temporize, wait
7. There are 398,000 entries for procrastinate on Google.com...proving that while not everyone is doing it, a lot of them are talking about it.
6. We generally don't need to prioritize or trick ourselves into performing actions that are internally motivated.
5. You just don't want or need to do it enough, and you always want or need to do something else more.
4. When I get "writer's block," it's often my subconscious mind's helpful way of suggesting that I don't really know what the hell I'm talking about.
3. www.procrastinatehere.com is an entertainment site with funny pics, vids and random musings of deep significance. Or so they say.
2. I invariably am visited by my muse to redesign the website. But I really like the layout...maybe I'll just hold this redesign in stock...
1. My apologies for missing November.

Up and Coming

Auditions

The Competition:

Affordable Theater has been asked to perform in the *AACTFest* as the representative for the State of California.

The competition begins in March, 2005 at the state level and continues at the Regional and National levels over the course of the next year.

Performance Date:

March 19, 2005

Auditions:

Thursday 6:30pm-9pm

January 6, 2005

Rehearsals:

Tuesdays/Thursdays 6:30pm-9pm

January 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27; February 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24; March 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, and 17th

Travel:

March 18, 2005

The Play: *A Game*

A short amusing, and disturbing piece about human nature.

For more information visit

www.affordabletheater.com/game/

It's time for Affordable Theater's second annual fundraiser. This year we gather together to celebrate the holiday season. Come join us and see what happens...



Logo art by Bonni Moeller

Grand Prize to be raffled off at the end of the evening

Saturday, December 11, 2004. 7pm – 10pm

Carden El Encanto Day School
615 Hobart Terrace
Santa Clara, CA 95051

There will be gifts, prizes, raffles, and santas. Dinner to feed your body, and a show to feed your brain!

Tickets are only \$20 and are available now!
Visit www.affordabletheater.com/santas.html

or by mail at: Affordable Theater, Inc.
When Santas Collide
640 Orange Avenue
Los Altos, CA 94022

Bring some holiday cheer, and leave knowing you're supporting a good cause.

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ATI Update

I give, you give, we all give through iGive

Fundraising is a tricky business. The internet has opened many new pathways, but a constant barrage of spam has made people wary of any offer that includes the phrase "enter your email address". So when we became aware of iGive, we looked at it carefully before deciding to join their program.

Through iGive, many of the online purchases you make in your everyday life can now benefit Affordable Theater. Need books? Order from the Barnes and Noble website, and they'll donate a percentage of your purchase to us. Tired of hauling large bags of pet food from the car to the house? No problem. Petco.com will deliver to your home and give a portion of the sale to ATI. Out of ink for your printer? It's not an inconvenience, it's an opportunity to help out Affordable Theater by ordering through 123inkjets or Staples.com. Cooking.com, Eddie Bauer, wine.com, the FTD florist, and hundreds of other online retailers have signed up to help causes around the country.

So, how do you make this happen? Well, first you sign up with iGive. Don't worry; they won't sell your information to anyone, we checked. Go to www.iGive.com/ATI, and follow the instructions to join iGive.

Then, when you're ready to shop, go to the iGive shopping page, <http://www.iGive.com/html/mall.cfm>, and look at their list of merchants. Find the merchant you're looking for, click the link, and shop as you always do. You'll be supporting the theater while purchasing products you needed anyway. Do you have friends that shop online? Forward the link to them or send them to www.affordabletheater.com/support. The more the merrier! No matter how much or little you shop online, your contribution will make a difference to us. We appreciate your support.



How You Can Help

All contributions, whether goods, services, monies, or time, are deeply appreciated. At the moment, however, we are looking to expand our technical program.

ATI is looking for a computer with movie creation software (such as iMovie or Final Cut), firewire and s-video capabilities, and a dvd burner.

Please contact us at giving@affordabletheater.com. Affordable Theater, Inc is a non-profit corporation under tax code 501(c)(3). As such, all contributions qualify for a tax deduction, as well as our undying gratitude.

Useful Information

Email Lists

Click on the link to join a list, or adjust your settings.

Actors

Auditions, and other actor-specific notices.

<http://lists.affordabletheater.com/mailman/listinfo/atiactors>

Musings

The ATI Newsletter.

<http://lists.affordabletheater.com/mailman/listinfo/atimusings>

Everyone

A public list for anyone involved with ATI.

<http://lists.affordabletheater.com/mailman/listinfo/everyone>

