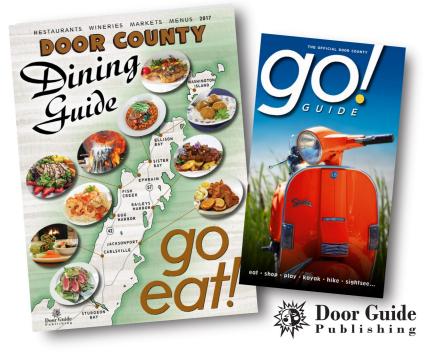


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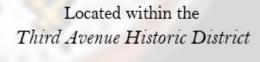
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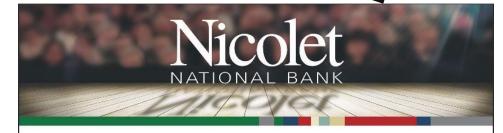
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Each production provides established performers and those who wish to experience the stage the opportunity to share their talents and passion for the arts. Rogue Theater welcomes all who are interested to become part of this season! Volunteers, including audiences, actors, staging crews, behind-the-scenes staff and supporters of the arts, help Rogue Theater develop and flourish as a vital part of the creative spirit in Door County.

One of the great things about community theater is that it not only gives the community access to live theater, it provides the opportunity for the community to be involved in theater. I truly believe that theater allows people to understand the world more completely. People can come together and share an experience with family, friends, and total strangers.

Rogue Theater also has actively engaged with the community by donating to many local charities and contributing to a scholarship for nursing students. I am very excited to be involved with Door County's year round community theater that exemplifies what it means to be part of the

community. Thank you so much for spending time with us and sharing this experience!

Sincerely,

Dan Sallinen

Chairman of the Board



Dan Sallinen as Bob Newhart





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Rogue Theater was founded by Lola DeVillers and Stuart Champeau in January 2013. Since then, the company has brought theater productions to many locations in the county, including the Lodge at Leathem Smith, Birch Creek Music Performance Center, Third Avenue Playhouse, John Martin's Restaurant, Sister Bay Village Hall, GLAS, Greco Gallery, The Draft Haus, Gibraltar Town Hall, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Crossroads at Big Creek, The Olde Opera House, Benny D's, Ephraim Village Hall, Bailey's Harbor Town Hall, Inn at Cedar Crossing, Wave Pointe Marina, Log Den, Mr. G's, Alexander's, Stone Harbor, and the Door County Fire Company. They have also traveled to other areas of the state.

In November 2013, DeVillers and Champeau opened The Depot Performing Arts Center in Sturgeon Bay's historic train depot. Their vision was to have a space where all forms of entertainment and art could come together; including community and professional theater, music, dance and visual arts.

In April of 2015, The Depot building was bought by Bay Ship Building. Rogue Theater once again began to travel. Word of Rogue's plight traveled fast and many community member offered support, with the Sturgeon Bay Jaycees offering a space. This become their home theater for 3 years. But after the sale of the Jaycee building in 2018, Rogue began traveling once again.

DeVillers and Champeau knew it was time to establish a permanent home for Rogue Theater in Sturgeon Bay. In fall of 2020, they shared plans for the building of the DC Arts Center and the home of Rogue Theater. Fundraising began & the dream is now in sight.



Last summer Rogue Theater was the only <u>live</u> theater in Door County. While others did some performances via the internet, virtual shows can't hope to capture the feel of being live on stage. Rogue Theater performed outside on a flat bed trailer using Prince of Peace Church's radio frequency, following CDC guidelines so patrons could watch our shows from the safety of their cars. Outdoor theater



does have its' draw backs however, mainly the weather. Rogue endured scorching heat, high winds, heavy rains and working with (at times) a questionable sound system.

We would like to thank Prince of Peace and Pastor James Gomez for accommodating us and allowing us the use of their facilities during the pandemic.

This year Rogue Theater opened its season once again, outdoors at the church, with its annual tradition of doing a Murder Mystery. "The Case of the Mysterious Cravat", didn't disappoint. A very funny show with characters breaking down the fourth wall and breaking from time to time to be themselves. With the new vaccine and relaxing of the guidelines Rogue was able to move back indoors; once again at Prince of Peace Church in their Oasis Center.

Being indoors, Rogue Theater can do shows with more elaborate sets and theater lighting. "A Bad Year for Tomatoes", featuring the original cast from seven years ago when Rogue Theater was at The Depot Performing Arts Center in downtown Sturgeon Bay, will return to the stage in July.

Rogue is especially excited to announce the opening of their own theater in Sturgeon Bay. It is our hope to be doing shows there this winter and into the '22 season. Rogue Theater's journey to their own permanent space is only done with the help and generosity of our patrons, making it an integral part of the Door County Theater fabric.

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Lola DeVillers is a teacher, actor, director, and most of all a learner. Her day always includes laughing, singing, planning, rehearsal, and a few challenges to be solved.



Lola graduated from the University of Wisconsin Green Bay with a degree in Human Development and elementary and middle school teaching certification. She received a Master's degree in education along with Administrative and Curriculum Licensures from Viterbo University. She has been an educator in Sturgeon Bay for over 27 years. She has also worked as a theater instructor and camp director for a variety of youth programs. She enjoys storytelling and creating various art forms.

Through many years of on and off stage performances, Lola has developed a variety of characters; young and old, thoughtful and zany, sincere and serial. Her first stage appearance with her husband, Stuart, was that of a Pigeon sister in "Odd Couple". Since then, her stage appearances with Stuart have been endless. One of her favorite characters was the wacky and zany, Theda Blau, in "It Had to be You". One of her most challenging roles was Grace of "Grace and Glorie", a feisty 90 year-old cancer patient, who has checked herself out of the hospital and returned home to die alone. Playing a much older woman took a bit more research, in which Lola looked to her own mother for guidance. Lola truly enjoys a challenge.

This year's challenges includes fundraising and building a theater, all while acting, selling a house, moving, and seeing her daughter get married on a mountain top. A crazy life she wouldn't change for anything.









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