



KENT HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR RICH OTHMER TO PERFORM IN SHAKESPEARE AT ARTS CENTER

Kent Highway Supervisor Richard Othmer has joined others to present the worker scenes from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in Bard on the Lake at the Lake Carmel Arts Center on Saturday, October 24, at 8 pm.

Presented as a joint project of the Simon Studio, the Blue Horse Repertory Company and Arts on the Lake, Bard on the Lake is an evening of scenes from many of the plays of William Shakespeare.

The workers in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" decide to put on a play for the marriage ceremony of the Duke and Duchess. Inexperienced in play production, the workers cast, rehearse and are transformed by the experience.

For these scenes, in addition to Highway Supervisor Othmer, the cast includes Financial Advisor Bill Hammond, NYS Optician Darwin Richmond, Musician and Publisher Robert Hauver, Carmel High junior Lucas Douglas, George Fisher Middle School student Asher Duke and Director of the Arts on the Lake Theatre Program James Shearwood.

When asked if he would undertake the part of Bottom, Supervisor Othmer said, "Any play that makes an ass out of me is type casting."

Director Shearwood said, "It is one purpose of an Arts Center to express the community in its activities and we think casting a diverse group of workers as workers does that."

Blue Horse Repertory Director Lora Lee Ecobelli is bringing actors from the Albany region and Director Roger Hendricks Simon is bringing his New York City troupe to participate in this celebration of scenes from the English language's greatest playwright.

Presented as part of its theatre program, Arts on the Lake members receive a \$3 discount off the general admission price of \$15.

Open to all, tickets may be purchased at www.artsonthelake.org. Reservations may be made at (845) 228-2685.

Arts on the Lake is located in the Lake Carmel Arts Center, 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes, NY 10512

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