

## West Chester Theatre and Dance 2022-2023 Season

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### *Spring Awakening*

October 20-23, 2022

Book and Lyrics by Steven Sater

Music by Duncan Sheik

Based on the play by Frank Wedekind

The winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, *Spring Awakening* follows a group of teenage German students as they struggle to understand and obtain agency over their own bodies inside of a repressive, dismissive, ill-informed, and often cruel society. The folk-rock score by Duncan Sheik and Steven Sater is equal parts powerful and poetic, acting as a raw reflection of the characters' inner lives, and a powerful celebration of youth and rebellion. Content warning: nudity, rape, suicide, violence

### *Fall Dance Concert*

November 10-12, 2022

University Dance Company's annual Fall Dance Concert focuses on work by current WCU dance faculty and professional guest artists with selected student work.

### *Eurydice*

by Sarah Ruhl

November 17-20, 2022

*Eurydice* reimagines the classic myth of Orpheus and Eurydice through the eyes of its heroine. Dying too young on her wedding day, Eurydice must journey to the underworld, where she reunites with her father and struggles to remember her lost love and begins to discover that the cost of living again can sometimes exceed the cost of staying dead. Sarah Ruhl's play transforms a traditional myth into a contemporary meditation on love worth grieving for through dark humor and wit.

### *Charlotte's Web*

Adapted by Joseph Robinette

Based on the book by E.B. White

March 3-5, 2023

*Charlotte's Web*, one of the most beloved and celebrated pieces of children's literature ever written, comes to life in this poignant adaptation of the E.B. White masterpiece. Playwright Joseph Robinette created a play with beautiful simplicity. Join Wilbur the pig, his human friend Fern, Templeton the rat, and all the barnyard inhabitants as they learn what it means to be a true friend from the selfless spider, Charlotte. This family friendly production will be sure to delight audiences both young and old.

### *Student Written One Acts*

by the Students of THA 313

March 31-April 2, 2023

The *Student Written One Acts* is an evening of short plays penned by the Theatre 313 Playwriting Class. Experience the plays reflecting issues and themes that resonate with West Chester University students. We are pleased to have our talented students serve as directors, designers, technicians, stage managers and, of course, actors to present this night of original student work.

### *Twelfth Night*

by William Shakespeare

April 20-23, 2023

*Twelfth Night* tells the story of Viola, a young heroine who washes up on the shores of Illyria, disguises herself as a man, is sent to court a countess and falls hard for a Duke. As she navigates this strange and wonderful new land, she finds her true self and her true love in the process. Celebrate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Shakespeare's First Folio with us!

### *Spring Dance Concert*

April 27-29, 2023

University Dance Company's annual Spring Dance Concert celebrates the creative choreography and design of WCU students in a variety of styles.

### Free Parking

Individual Tickets + Subscriptions available in September

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# OPEN AUDITIONS

West Chester University

Department of Theatre and Dance

Auditions open to the entire West Chester University campus

All Auditions take place in the E.O. Bull Center for the Arts  
Corner of High Street and Rosedale Avenue

Audition information to be announced  
on our department website:

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