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### **MAD Summer Variety Show – Fantastic MAD and Where To Find Them**

Calling all wiz...I mean dancers, singers, musicians, actors, techies, and all-around performers! Come show your hidden talent at this year's Summer Variety Show, adding a dash of magic to your summer nights! Try-outs, held June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> from 6–9 pm in B3 Auditorium, are for participants who already have a piece they would like to perform, either in full or a small segment. There will be a check-in during early July. We will also be holding workshops to help you improve your various performance skills by learning a piece and performing it as a group or individual. Fill out the form at <http://bit.ly/madsummer2018form> if you are interested in try-outs and/or the workshops! Performance dates will tentatively be the weekends of July 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. If you need to be escorted onto Goddard campus, contact us ahead of time. Questions? Contact [patricia.e.randazzo@gmail.com](mailto:patricia.e.randazzo@gmail.com)

### **MAD Fall Show: “Beauty and the Beast”**

MAD announces the selection of its fall musical – “Beauty and the Beast”! Stay tuned for audition dates and additional information. If you're interested in joining the production staff, please contact Producer Christine Smit ([eponymous@christinesmit.com](mailto:eponymous@christinesmit.com)) and Director Katrina Jackson ([katrina.13.jackson@gmail.com](mailto:katrina.13.jackson@gmail.com).)

### **MAD Board Meeting**

The next MAD Board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 5:30 PM in Building 3, Room 137. All club members are welcome to attend. We plan to hold our board meetings in 2018 regularly on the third Thursday of the month.

### **MAD About Town**

The Chromatics are celebrating their 25th year! **Padi Boyd** ("Pippin," "Guys and Dolls"), **Alan Smale** ("Guys and Dolls," "Deathtrap," "The Foreigner," "Lend Me a Tenor"), **Karen Smale** ("Guys and Dolls"), and three other dedicated singers are still going strong after all these years. See them for free on June 1 at 6pm at the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage or at any of their other area performances this year. Find out more at <http://www.thechromatics.com/>.

**Stephen Yednock** ("Oklahoma!," "Urinetown") will be appearing as "Tateh" in 2nd Star Productions' "Ragtime" from June 1–30. The show is performed at the Bowie Playhouse at Whitmarsh Park from June 1–30, 2018. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 pm, and Sundays are 3 pm. Closing performance on Saturday June 30th is a 3 pm matinee. Tickets are available at <http://www.2ndstarproductions.com> or by calling (410) 757-5700 or (301) 832-4819

**Catherine Asaro** will be the author guest of honor at Balticon, the Maryland science fiction convention, May 25–28, 2018 at the Renaissance Baltimore Harborplace Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland. She will be appearing in concert with Greg Adams and the Chasing Mellow Band on Friday night at 8pm, and as a keynote speaker, on panels, and doing a concert with Greg Adams and the band Chasing Mellow. For more information see <https://balticon.org/wp52/>. For her full schedule, see <https://schedule.balticon.org/#prog/query:catherine+asaro>

**Brendan Perry** (many MAD shows, most recently in "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead") is the Announcer and fills many bit parts for the campy, racy, 50's-style sci-fi/horror radio show "Horatio Dark Between The Lines." Shows are recorded before a live audience and edited into "The Horatio Dark Between the Lines" podcast, available via iTunes and podfanatic. Each show is 3 or more vignettes (and we're also looking for writers!). Third Monday of every month, 8–11pm, at The Windup Space, 12 W North Ave, Baltimore. FREE!

## **MAD Condolences**



**Bob Kass** passed away on April 29. He played Gene/Officer Pasco in the 2004 fall production of *City of Angels*. He and his wife Kathy served as hosts for many subsequent productions. He will be remembered by cast members for his stellar performance, his wit, and for providing snacks for green room every night. Memorial services will be announced at a later date. For further information, please contact Belle Davis at [bndavis7109@gmail.com](mailto:bndavis7109@gmail.com), 301-657-4220.