

BROADWAY ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

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Broadway Rose Theatre Company Presents a High Octane Country Music Revue



Tigard, OR – The Broadway Rose Theatre Company will open its 2012 season with a great mix of music, comedy, and theater with *Pump Boys and Dinettes*. Between changing tires and baking pies, the gang performs a rousing, down-home mix of country western, rock 'n' roll, and blues in this charming tale of friendship, romance, and life's simple pleasures. *Pump Boys and Dinettes* will be performed at the Broadway Rose New Stage. Preview performance is February 2 with opening night on **Friday, February 3**, and performances continue through **March 4, 2012**. Evening performances are Thursdays through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are at 2 p.m. on Sundays, and on Saturday, February 11, 18, 25, and March 3. The New Stage is located at 12850 SW Grant Avenue in Tigard. Tickets **start at \$30** for adults, with discounts available for groups and youth. For a full listing of show performances or to order tickets visit www.broadwayrose.org or call the box office at 503.620.5262.

Get ready for an evening of singing and dancing that celebrates the joys of small-town life. Drive a ways outta town, and you'll come to a filling station run by L. M. and Jim. Across the blacktop is the Double Cupp diner, operated by Rhetta and Prudie Cupp. To look at it, you wouldn't know that this little stop on Highway 57 is where all the action is. But trust us, once the boys get that guitar and bass fiddle revved up, you won't want to be anywhere else. Packed with hummable, hilarious songs like "Be Good or Be Gone," "Tips," and "The Night Dolly Parton Was Almost Mine," *Pump Boys and Dinettes* is a foot-stomping good time that will make you want to order a big slice of cherry pie and a second cup of coffee before you hit the road in search of life's simple pleasures.

The production was conceived and written by John Foley, Mark Hardwick, Debra Monk, Cass Morgan, John Schimmel, and Jim Wann. Not only did these individuals write the musical, they starred in the production, which opened Off-Broadway in 1981 and transferred to Princess Theatre on Broadway the following year.

The Broadway Rose cast of *Pump Boys and Dinettes* includes Stephen Flakus, Lisamarie Harrison, Andrew Maldarelli, Sharon Maroney, Barney Stein, and Sean Vinson. The production is directed by Chan Harris with musical direction by Barney Stein. Set design by Chris Whitten, lighting design by Phil McBeth, costume design by Sumi Wu, prop design by Deb Dahling, and sound design by Dan Hallberg.

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BROADWAY ROSE THEATRE COMPANY, a not-for-profit arts organization, has been successfully producing musical theater in Tigard since 1992 under the artistic direction of Sharon Maroney. As the only professional musical theater company in Washington County, Broadway Rose plays an important role in enriching the community's cultural arts. Committed to increasing opportunities for Oregonians to participate in the arts and working to retain Portland's talent pool and attract new talent to the area, Broadway Rose is resolved to keep live theater affordable and make its productions accessible to all ages and members of the community. The Broadway Rose Theatre was selected as one of the "100 Best Nonprofits to Work For in Oregon" by Oregon Business Magazine in 2009, 2010, and 2011, and it was selected as the 2009 "Business of the Year" by the Tigard Chamber of Commerce.

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