ACADEMY NOTES

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TODAY'S **HIGHLIGHTS**



MUSER
CHRISTOPHER DURANG
1:20 PM
Massey Performing Arts Center

The presentation of Christopher Durang has been generously sponsored by Tennessee Book Company.



PERFORMANCE

TENNESSEE
SHAKESPEARE COMPANY
11:30 AM
Massey Performing Arts Center

The Tennessee Shakespeare Company performance is generously sponsored by Pat and Thane Smith.

ACADEMY NEWS

TODAY'S SPECIAL EVENTS

VISITORS' DAY: Arts organization directors, college and university professors, political dignitaries and many others from across the state are invited to be guests of the Academy from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

BRAVO! BANQUET AND PERFORMANCE: We're all looking forward to the Bravo! Banquet and Performance, which begins tonight at 6:30 PM in the Curb Event Center Arena. Doors open at 6:00 PM. You'll enjoy a wonderful night of food, fun, recognitions, and dinner music by Jeff Lisenby, followed by a fabulous performance by Broadway star, Bryce Pinkham. You can also have your photo made on the fabulous red carpet near the Silent Auction display in Johnson Dining Hall! Please check your Wednesday afternoon Intermezzo/Break area to receive your banquet table number assignment for the evening.

ACADEMY REMINDERS

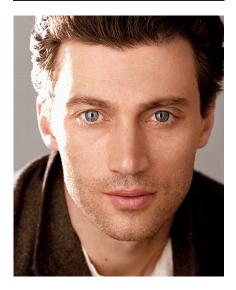
TAA NYC FUNDRAISER: While you're at lunch today, don't forget to purchase a ticket for the TAA NYC Fundraiser. Winners will receive an all-expense paid weekend trip to NYC for two that includes airfare, hotel, dinner, and a Broadway show of your choice.

PHOTOS AVAILABLE: New for 2017! The Tennessee Arts Academy invites participants each day during the Repast, Refocus and Reflect session in the Johnson Dining Hall during lunch to have a photograph made with colleagues from your TAA content area, your school and/or your district. A TAA photographer will be available through tomorrow in a specially designated area of the Johnson Dining Hall. Photos taken on one day will be posted the following day on the TAA website in the TAA photo gallery and on TAA social media sites.

TAA SILENT AND ONLINE AUCTION: Bidding for the silent auction continues today and tomorrow during lunch for the chance to win exciting items like an exotic vacation, custom guitars, celebrity items and more. All bidding winners, donors to the Silent Auction, and Alumni members are invited to the Ice Cream Social on Thursday at 5:15 PM in the Beaman Student Life Center.

TAA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION: TAA Alumni Association membership is open to all graduates and friends of the Tennessee Arts Academy. Benefits include special invitations and discounted pricing to yearly Academy events, access to purchase Academy materials, eligibility to nominate TAA award honorees and much more!

TONIGHT'S **PERFORMER**



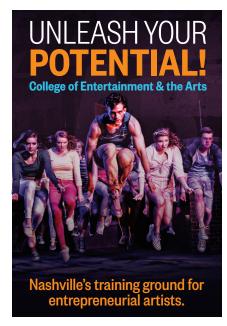
BRYCE PINKHAM

WEDNESDAY EVENING ARTIST Bravo! Banquet and Performance Curb Event Center Arena

A Grammy and Tony nominated stage and screen actor, best known for originating the role of Monty Navarro in Broadway's A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder.

The appearance of Bryce Pinkham is made possible by a generous gift from Pat and Thane Smith.

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RECAP AND REFLECTIONS



FROM OUR TUESDAY MUSER, ROBERT MANKOFF

"Being funny was a part of being alive, it was a part of being awake, not being scared." - In reference to his youth

"I love the arts, I love creativity, and I do think it's the future."

"Humor is taking things that appear very different and seeing the similarities ...it shows us what is the future of humanity and thought."

TODAY'S INTERMEZZO SPONSORS



