



## Newsletter

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### Spotlight



**SUPPORT LOCAL THEATER!**  
**ATTEND SNOWLION REP'S FIRST EVER FUNDRAISER!**

Admit it - she scared you!

I'm talking, of course, about Maine's own Margaret Hamilton - a/k/a The Wicked Witch of the West!

If you think you know Hollywood - if you think you know Maine - if you think you know The Wizard of Oz - there's so much more to learn in the staged reading of the new play *My Witch: The Margaret Hamilton Stories*!

FRIDAY, December 7, during Snowlion Rep's first ever fundraiser, come "meet" Margaret Hamilton - you'll be moved, you'll laugh, you'll learn - maybe you'll even get a little scared! But you'll love her - guaranteed!

Sincerely,

Al D'Andrea, Artistic Director  
Margit Ahlin, Producing Director  
Snowlion Repertory Company



**SNOWLION REP'S FIRST EVER FUNDRAISER features a New Play about Maine's Own Margaret Hamilton !**

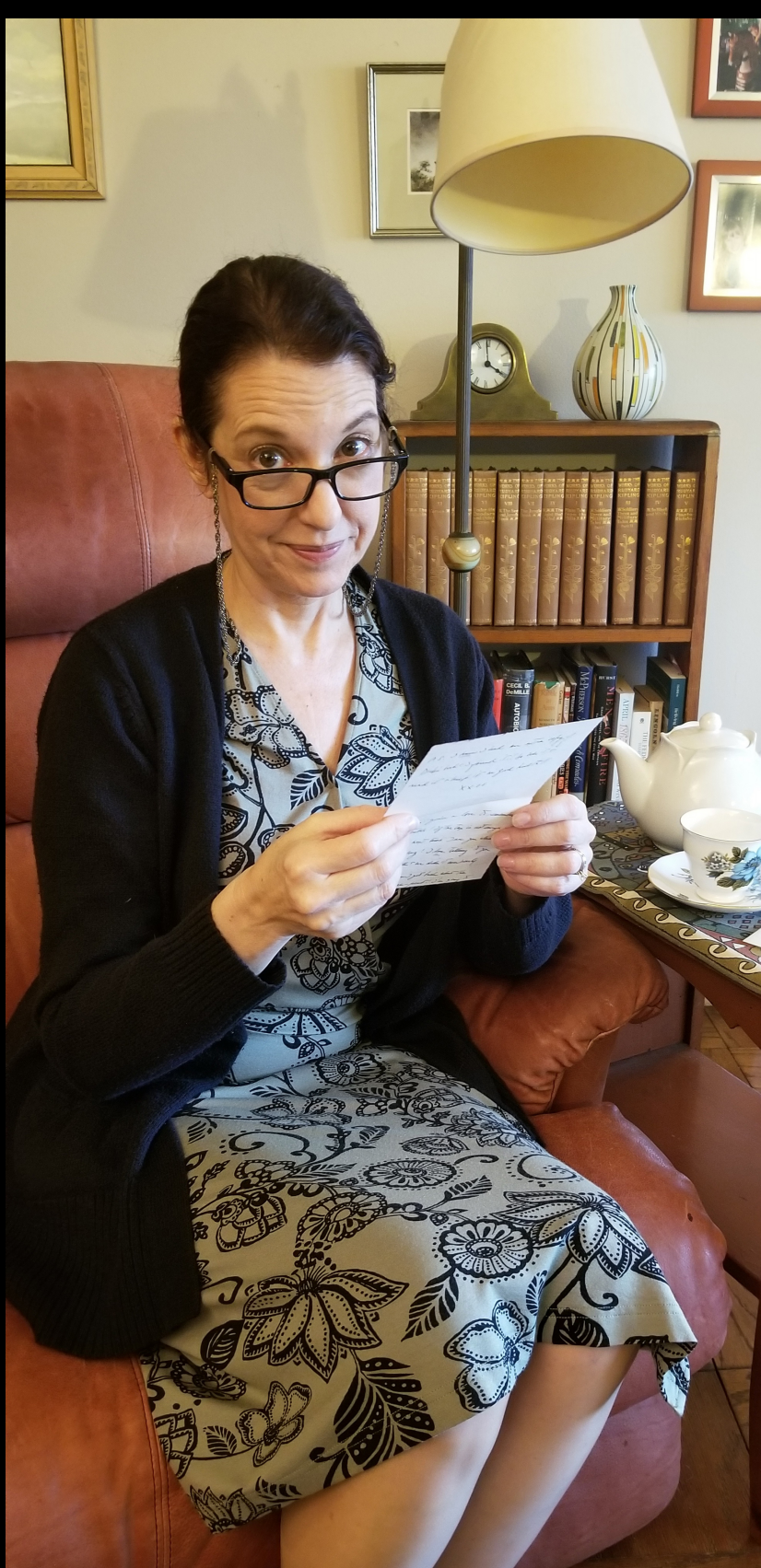
Did you know that Margaret Hamilton (the infamous Wicked Witch of the West in *The Wizard of Oz*) lived on an island near Boothbay Harbor?



Learn all about this iconic character actress and her amazing life in a Snowlion Rep fundraiser staged presentation of

*My Witch: The Margaret Hamilton Stories*

by John Ahlin and starring New York's Jean Tafler (appearing courtesy of Actors Equity Association)



It's not easy being green...

In this staged reading of *My Witch*, we explore the amazing story of how a gentle kindergarten teacher from Cleveland scared the living daylights out of every last one of us...and the brains, heart and courage it took to be America's character woman.



Come support this fabulous new play and help Snowlion Rep raise funds for our ambitious future!

Snowlion Rep's Fundraiser will be on

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 7**

Doors open 6 pm  
Performance starts 7 pm  
Portland Ballet Studio Theater  
517 Forest Ave, Portland

INDULGE IN DELICIOUS FOOD AND DRINK!

BUY RAFFLE TICKETS FOR FUN PRIZES!

BID IN A NEW ENGLAND ARTIST SILENT AUCTION!

ENJOY SCHMOOZING WITH A GREAT THEATER CROWD!

AND DON'T FORGET - WITNESS A STAGED READING OF A NEW PLAY ABOUT A UNIQUE MAINE RESIDENT!

Fundraiser Tickets \$35 each / \$60 per pair

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Tickets at [snowlionrep.org](http://snowlionrep.org)  
or (207) 518-9305

**Mesmerized**  
**A World Premiere Musical**

Snowlion Rep will be presenting a world premiere musical as the feature show of the upcoming season -

*Mesmerized*

(by Al D'Andrea, MK Wolfe, and Darryl Curry).  
A concert performance of this new musical was seen at the first PortFringe, and the *New Maine Times* called it

"a triumphant night of theater"



Set in 1777 Vienna, *Mesmerized* is the true story of Dr. Franz Anton Mesmer, now regarded as the father of modern hypnosis, and the scandal that erupted in 1777 Vienna when he restored the sight of the young blind prodigy pianist Maria Theresa Paradises using the radical curative technique and invisible force he called "animal magnetism."

The show plunges the audience into Mesmer's world at the dawn of the Age of Reason, populated with characters including Mozart, Benjamin Franklin, the Queen Empress of the Holy Roman Empire, and others - all 100% true encounters had by the infamous doctor, presented in dramatic musical theater format (with an ample dose of humor throughout).



(from the concert performance of "Mesmerized")

The show will be presented at the Portland Ballet Studio Theater May 3-12, 2019, starring Alan Forrest McLucas as the infamous Dr. Mesmer.

Mark your calendars for a musical journey back to the 18th Century, in a show that crackles with an "Invisible Fire" (which is what Mesmer called the power he harnessed to effect his cures).

**Mesmerized**  
a new musical  
May 3 - 12  
Portland Ballet Studio Theater

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