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Zeiders American Dream Theater announces their Spring Series Programming.

Virginia Beach - Zeiders American Dream Theater (ZADT) in Town Center under the leadership of Artistic Director Bart Kuebler and Executive Director Terry Flint, is pleased to present these upcoming performances over the next two and half months.

The Fall Series at the Z will feature more shows than ever and something for just about everyone. From new new shows, concerts, cabarets, comedy, drag and burlesque shows and open mic nights. Every weekend you can experience something new!

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A Canary and A Crooner

March 24 and 26; April 7 and 8

Friday and Saturday at 7:30pm; Sunday at 2pm

Tickets: \$18

The Z becomes a swanky cabaret club for an evening of songs and stories in the classic style of Bobby Short, Édith Piaf, Noël Coward, and Rosemary Clooney. Expect dazzling vocal performances backed with amusing and touching anecdotes as we spin a fresh take on the classic cabaret form by performing songs never sung by any of those classic artists!

Saint Irene's

A New Play by Manoli Kouremetis

March 31 - April 2, 2017

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Saturday and Sunday at 2pm

Tickets: \$23

St. Irene's Greek Orthodox church is in crisis. The church leaders realize that they have the opportunity to pull themselves out of debt, but by the use of dubiously acquired funds. This leads to a debate between legacy and faith as the church leaders must choose between what is right and what is reasonable.

Burning Sugar

A Theatrical Concert Experience

By Evan Hannah

April 27-29, 2017

Thursday - Saturday 7:30pm

Tickets: \$23

Burning Sugar is the concert experience supporting Emerging Artist Evan Hannah's upcoming project Hissing Sounds. Visually, Burning Sugar is arrestingly intimate story of a black American Boy. It opens up his journey with the light and the dark touching on queerness, child abuse, and

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more, through the media of songs, video, lights, and magic. This one-of-a-kind show crosses traditional theatrical borders as the narrative unwinds, blurring the distinction between play, concert, performer, and audience.

The Telling Project

May 5-7, 2017

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 2pm

Tickets: \$23

The Telling Project facilitates meaningful contact between veteran and civilian populations on a community level. Veterans and veterans' family members step forward as performers and after interview, performance training, and rehearsal, the 'performers' tell their stories of service to their communities.

Co-Presented with Virginia Arts Festival

Mark Twain, Music and Whiskey

May 12, 2017 at 8pm

Tickets: \$13

Hooray for Mark Twain, music, and WHISKEY! Whether you're in total agreement or a teetotaler, you'll enjoy spending an evening with America's best loved author, humorist, and storyteller. Mark Twain, Music, & Whiskey is an event which brings Twain's wit, wisdom, and "nineteenth century stand-up comedy" to life. Created by and presented by Ryan Clemens, a professional actor and genuine relative of Samuel L. Clemens (the real name of author Mark Twain), this fun and festive production offers the musical talents of banjoist Reg Lanning and vocalist Samuel Flint. Join us for a one-night only chance to enjoy good drinks, good laughs, and a chance to personally encounter the humor and heart of an American literary legend.

To Mama, With Love

May 14, 2017 at 2pm

Tickets: \$13

Our cabaret showcase returns with this Mother's Day matinee. Up-and-coming performers join together to take turns on the small stage in tribute to mothers the world over. This jewel of a show is the perfect centerpiece of your Mother's Day plans!

Jason Kypros vs The Industrial Revolution

June 2-4, 2017

Friday and Saturday at 8pm and Saturday and Sunday at 2pm

Tickets: \$23

In this one person show, Jason Kypros takes an interdisciplinary approach to one of the most major influences on our society today. The Industrial Revolution has shaped how we live as well as who we are, both in this country and abroad. Jason's unique approach to storytelling utilizes History, Philosophy as well as his own personal life experiences to create an enlightening evening that will have you laughing as well as thinking.

MUSIC/CONCERTS

Songwriters Live at the Z featuring Bill Gurley

March 9, 2017 at 7:30pm

Tickets: \$18

Bill Gurley is a multi-instrumentalist, singer, and songwriter from the Northern Neck of Virginia. Best known initially as a member of ground breaking bands such as The New Morning String

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Band and Bottle Hill. He also partnered with guitarist Stephen Bennett for many memorable concerts and recordings. His association with Stephen lead to an introduction to jazz bassist Jimmy Masters, a musical collaboration that continues to this day. Along with showcasing their songs the artists will be interviewed and have a Q & A with the audience.
Hosted by Chris Van Cleave

Songwriters Live at the Z featuring Dustin Furlow

April 6, 2017 at 7:30pm

Tickets: \$18

Dustin Furlow is a 23-year-old, Virginia-based singer/songwriter/guitarist. Playing just over 231 shows in 2016, he is almost always engaged in studio-time, writing, or performing and is currently at work on his third project "Shelter". In February 2017, he took home the Veer Magazine award for "Best Acoustic/Folk Artist" in the Hampton Roads area for 2016. He also received nominations for "Song of the Year" (The Garden), and "Album of the Year" (The Sound That You Call Home). Along with showcasing their songs the artists will be interviewed and have a Q & A with the audience.

Hosted by Chris Van Cleave

Songwriters Live at the Z featuring Skye Zentz

May 11, 2017 at 7:30pm

Tickets: \$18

Over the last decade, Skye has made a name for herself in the Hampton Roads area with her infectious, uplifting energy, honest lyrics and memorable melodies. Her releases have earned her multiple local nominations for Song of the Year (both in the 2007 Portfolio Music Awards and the 2013 and 2014 Veer Music Awards). Skye took home the Veer Music Award for Best Acoustic/Folk in 2013 and Best Busker in 2015. Along with showcasing their songs the artists will be interviewed and have a Q & A with the audience.

Hosted by Chris Van Cleave

Sofia Talvik - Live at the Z

May 13, 2017 at 8pm

Tickets: \$20

Unmistakably Nordic in flavor, Sofia Talvik somehow still conforms to American interpretations of her own original music, a North Sea siren blending sparkle and melancholy. A veteran performer with 6 full length albums as well as numerous EPs, singles and tours behind her. Experience Sofia's music with this one night only concert, live at the Z.

Tickets to all these upcoming shows can be purchased at AmericanDreamTheater.org

Zeiders American Dream Theater can be reached by phone at 757-499-0317

ABOUT ZEIDERS AMERICAN DREAM THEATER

Zeiders American Dream Theater develops the potential we have to foster local and emerging talent and provide them an opportunity a stage, a voice to do what they are passionate about doing and hopefully, in the process, inspire others to do the same. Currently Zeiders American Dream Theater is a nonprofit theater with an 80 seat theater in the Block 6 area of Town Center in Virginia Beach. In 2018, we will be moving to Block 9 of Town Center with new facilities which will include a 300 seat thrust stage, 100 seat cabaret space, recording studio and spacious new lobby facing the plaza. Learn more at AmericanDreamTheater.org

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