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THIS WONDERFUL LIFE. A fun twist on a classic holiday favorite.

Luna Stage is proud to present *THIS WONDERFUL LIFE*, a solo tour de force performance of the iconic holiday film. In a feat of theatrical gymnastics, actress extraordinaire Erica Bradshaw plays George, Mary, Clarence and the whole Bedford Falls cast of characters in this fun and heartwarming adaptation by Steve Murray.

THIS WONDERFUL LIFE opens to previews on Thursday December 1st and runs Thursdays through Sundays until December 18th. Opening night is Saturday, December 3rd. Performances on December 4th and 15th will be followed by a Talkback. Tickets range from \$27-\$37 dollars. Group sales available. \$10 Student Rush tickets available one half-hour before curtain. Appropriate for ages 10 and up. Individual tickets can be purchased at lunastage.org, or at the box office Tues.-Fri. 10:30am-3pm ([973-395-5551](tel:973-395-5551)).

Instead of staying home and watching *It's a Wonderful Life* for the 57th time, come to Luna Stage and marvel as actress Erica Bradshaw inhabits every single role of this stage adaptation of the iconic holiday film. Celebrate the holiday season by rejoicing in the utter goodness of mankind at its best, as *THIS WONDERFUL LIFE* hits you right in the heart just like the movie does. But it also includes a few subversive winks here and there, especially since Erica's not exactly your typical resident of Bedford Falls...

THIS WONDERFUL LIFE features Erica Bradshaw. The design team includes Christopher and Justin Swader (set design), Justin Partier (light design), Donald Stark (sound design) and Deborah Caney (costume design). The Production Stage Manager is Danie Viola. The production is directed by Daryl L. Stewart.

Erica Bradshaw is a native Jersey girl. She originated the role of Adele in Arthur Millers' *Mr. Peter's Connections* (off-Broadway) and has worked in various regional theaters including; Hartford Stage, Signature Theater (NYC), Actors Theater of Louisville, Milwaukee Rep, City Theater, Delaware Theater Company, Seattle

Shakespeare Theater, and the Actor's Gang. Recently, Erica appeared in the world premiere of *Girls Shakes Loose* at the Eugene O'Neill National Musical Theatre Conference in Waterford, Connecticut and headlined NYC Pride at the LGBT Center with her solo show *White America Hero*.

Daryl L. Stewart is an actor, director and teaching artist. Stewart's regional music theater credits include Gershwin's *My One & Only*, *The Wild Party*, Disney's *Aida*, *Carousel*, *Ragtime*, *Into The Woods*, *Stepshow* (NYMF) and *Five Guys Named Moe*. Director/choreographer credits include: *The Wiz*, *Once On This Island*, *Annie*, *Seussical*, *Once Upon A Mattress*, *High School Musical*, *Fame* and Disney's *The Lion King Experience*. He is the 2014 Urban League YP Honoree for the Arts, Two-Time Papermill Rising Star Nominee and a 2013 BMC Award Nominee.

Luna Stage is a small but mighty professional theatre company located in Essex County, NJ, just under 15 miles from New York City. Throughout the past 24 years, the company has earned a national reputation for developing and producing outstanding new plays and timely revivals and for taking on challenging and provocative subject matters in their work.

A proud member of Valley Arts, Luna Stage is located at 555 Valley Road, West Orange, NJ 07052. The theatre is handicapped accessible and offers assistive listening devices.