

Ensemble theatre with humor and heart

Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre

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Photo: Nicole Callender in Motherhood Out Loud at Dreamcatcher Rep (credit: Steve McIntyre)

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Dreamcatcher presents New Jersey premiere of "Motherhood Out Loud"

Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre, professional theatre in residence at Oakes Center in Summit, is presenting the New Jersey premiere of *Motherhood Out Loud*. This collection of pieces about motherhood from every angle is coming to Dreamcatcher fresh from its recent Off-Broadway run at Primary Stages in New York City. Motherhood Out Loud plays April 24 through May 11, with talkbacks following the April 27 and May 4 matinees.

Both heartbreaking and hilarious, Motherhood Out Loud features the writing of Leslie Ayvazian, David Cale, Jessica Goldberg, Beth Henley, Lameece Issaq, Claire LaZebnik, Lisa Loomer, Michele Lowe, Marco Pennette, Theresa Rebeck, Luanne Rice, Annie Weisman, Cheryl L. West and Brooke Berman. Utterly unpredictable, Motherhood Out Loud shatters traditional notions about parenthood, unveils its inherent comedy and celebrates the deeply personal truths that span and unite generations. Variety called the show "Chicken Soup for the Mom," while BackStage summed it up as "storytelling at its sweetest."



Conceived by Susan R. Rose and Joan Stein, the play will be directed by Harry Patrick Christian (Montclair), and will feature Nicole Callender (West Orange), Laura Ekstrand (Livingston), Scott McGowan (Maplewood) and Harriett Trangucci (Summit). The director and cast are all members of Dreamcatcher's professional Resident Acting Company.

Motherhood Out Loud will run at Dreamcatcher from Thursday, April 24 through Sunday, May 11. Performances are Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8:00 p.m., and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Tickets range from \$20-\$35, with special rates for subscribers and groups. Purchase tickets online at www.dreamcatcherrep.org or by calling Brown Paper Tickets at 1-800-838-3006. All tickets are \$20 at the

Thursday, April 24 preview performance, and seniors pay only \$20 on advance purchases only on Senior Sunday, the April 27 matinee.

Performances are at Oakes Center, located at 120 Morris Avenue in Summit. Parking is available in the lot behind the theatre on Ashwood Avenue and at the Summit Recreation Center on Morris Avenue. The facility is wheelchair accessible. Assistive Listening devices for the hearing impaired and advance large print scripts are available by prior arrangement. To purchase tickets or for information on any of Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre's programs, please visit www.dreamcatcherrep.org or contact Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre at Oakes Center, 120 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901, 908-514-9654...

About Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre

Dreamcatcher was founded in 1994 as a non-profit professional ensemble of actors who build community with the audience by sharing life-affirming stories in an intimate environment. We seek to expose theatregoers to ideas and lives like and unlike their own, to awaken their imaginations and create empathy for others. The company

focuses on deepening the experience of our patrons by supplementing the performances with personal contact through receptions, talkbacks and interactive programs.

Dreamcatcher's core company of professional local actors performs contemporary work that entertains and challenges, and has at its heart a belief in the essential goodness of people. The company's activities include mainstage productions, improvisational comedy and cabarets, new play readings and a variety of educational and senior outreach programs.

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