Workshop Theatre concludes the 2017-2018 member season with Michele Lowe’s *String of Pearls*, running from May 18-27.

*String of Pearls* explores the possibilities that open up in the lives of an array of women as they come into contact with a certain strand of pearls. While the pearls are stolen, bought, bestowed, unstrung and nearly lost, six actresses play 27 characters in this deeply moving drama that is as fresh as it is funny.

On the eve of her granddaughter Amy’s wedding, Beth asks to see the pearls she gave Amy’s mother long ago. When Amy cannot produce them, Beth determines to find the pearls. She takes us back to the time when she received them and then gave them to her daughter, who passed them on to her dearest friend Ela who lost them one Sunday morning.

Spanning 35 years, the pearls touch the lives of mothers and daughters, sisters and friends, even husbands and wives as they weave a deeply affecting story of love and loss.

Zsuzsa Manna makes her Workshop Theatre directorial debut with this innovative show. The cast features the talents of Christine Hellman, Krista Forster, Sandra Hamlin-Rivers, Ellen Rodillo-Fowler, Cathy Carter Scott, and Alyssa Velazquez as they tackle the various roles.

General admission ticket sales begin for members on May 9, and for the general public beginning May 11. Tickets can be purchased online at workshoptheatre.com or by calling the Box Office at 803-799-6551 from noon to 5 pm during the week. On the weekends, the Box Office opens two hours before the show begins. Tickets are also available at the door the day of the show.

All performances will be at Columbia College’s Cottingham Theatre, located at 1301 Columbia College Drive, Columbia, SC, 29203. Parking is available on campus.

Please note there is no performance on Saturday, May 19.

DUE TO CONTENT *STRING OF PEARLS IS RECOMMENDED FOR MATURE AUDIENCES ONLY.*

### Show Dates & Times:
- May 18, 23, 24, 25, 26 at 8 pm
- Sunday matinees, May 20 & 27 at 3 pm

### Priority for filling orders:
1) 2017-2018 Members who mail in orders.
2) 2017-2018 Members may reserve online, call or come to the box office beginning May 9, noon to 5:30 pm.
3) Non-members who mail in orders.
4) Non-members may reserve online, call or come to the theatre starting May 11, noon to 5:30 pm.

Tickets are available online at [www.workshoptheatre.com](http://www.workshoptheatre.com).

Online orders occur in real time 24 hours a day after the initial start time.

All performances of *String of Pearls* will be held at Cottingham Theatre on the campus of Columbia College.

1301 Columbia College Drive
Columbia, SC 29203

Seating will be general admission.
**String of Pearls order form**

Name: __________________________
Reservation Date: __________________________
Day Phone: __________________________ Night Phone: __________________________
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# ___ Member @ $0 each
# ___ Adults @ $20 each ................. $ __________________________
# ___ Seniors/Military @ $17 each ........ $ __________________________
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In addition to my ticket order, I would like to enclose an additional gift to Workshop Theatre in the amount of $__________, which I understand is 100% tax deductible.

I have enclosed a check for $__________ or please charge my MC/Visa/AMEX/Discover card #_________________________ Exp. Date: ______ v-code: ______

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**June 21-24, 2018**

**Next Up**

**Shrek the Musical Jr**

Book and Lyrics by: David Lindsay-Abaire
Music by: Jeanine Tesori
Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig
Directed by: Hans Boeschen
Music Direction by: Jordan Harper
Choreography by: Katie Hilliger

Beauty is in the eye of the ogre in *Shrek The Musical JR.*, based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film and fantastic Broadway musical. It’s a “big bright beautiful world” as everyone’s favorite ogre, Shrek, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and find true acceptance. Part romance and part twisted fairy tale, *Shrek JR.* is an irreverently fun show with a powerful message for the whole family.

Once upon a time, in a faraway swamp, there lived an ogre named Shrek. One day, Shrek finds his swamp invaded by banished fairytale misfits who have been cast off by Lord Farquaad, a tiny terror with big ambitions. When Shrek sets off with a wisecracking donkey to confront Farquaad, he’s handed a task — if he rescues feisty princess Fiona, his swamp will be righted. Shrek tries to win Fiona’s love and vanquish Lord Farquaad, but a fairytale wouldn’t be complete without a few twists and turns along the way.

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