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Love During The Great War

Most widely performed Canadian play of the past decade - *Mary's Wedding* - comes to BMO Studio

SAINT JOHN – The Saint John Theatre Company is preparing to launch the in house Studio Series with the award winning wartime drama *Mary's Wedding*. The play is an emotional piece that shifts from past and present, reality and dream, here and there through the dreams of a young war bride.



Mary's Wedding – written by Canadian playwright Stephen Massicotte, is one of the most produced Canadian works in North America. Set in 1920 the play is part love story and part history of one of the lesser known battles in WWI.

“Massicotte takes so many elements that might not work on their own in a piece - history, romance, dream, Canadiana - and weaves them together in an absolutely charming way via two characters who truly resonate for audience members,” notes Scott Thomas, who is directing the piece. *“The play is a brilliant bit of writing that entertains, educates and stays with you well after the final line.”*

The events in *Mary's Wedding* take place in a dream experienced by a young woman named Mary, played by Pippa Wennberg, the night before her wedding. The recurring dream tells the story of Mary reliving the events of meeting, falling in love and receiving letters from her beloved Charlie as he fights in the trenches.

“Mary's dream is a time machine and it will allow the audience access to moments and to experiences they otherwise might not see in a more traditional format,” adds Thomas. *“The play has heart - it speaks to truth and real humanity. I think audiences will both enjoy and understand this intrinsically.”*

Mary's Wedding runs at the BMO Studio Theatre (112 Princess) from October 15-18 (7:30pm). Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students. Call 1-888-311-9090 to purchase or visit www.ticketpro.ca.

The SJTC Studio Series offers intimate, cutting-edge theatre in the BMO Studio Theatre. This series is funded by The Province of New Brunswick, BMO Financial Group, and the City of Saint John.

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