

ATCA CHICAGO 2012

Annual Conference Schedule

June 12, Tuesday

- 3PM-7PM, Executive Committee meets, home of Jonathan Abarbanel.
- Early arrivals, members and guests at Conference hotels; free time.

June 13, Wednesday

- Executive Committee meets, 10AM-3PM, Club Quarters Hotel.
- Arrivals, members and guests at Conference hotels; free time.
- Leisure Option, 11AM-1:30PM, open rehearsal of Grant Park Symphony Orchestra, Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park (free).
- Leisure Option: 12:15PM-1PM, Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert (chamber music); Preston Bradley Hall, Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St. (free).
- 5PM-6:20PM, **Opening Reception**, Harris Theater Roof Garden, 205 E. Randolph Street, Millennium Park. **BE PROMPT!** Hosted by **Michelle T. Boone**, Commissioner, City of Chicago Dept. of Cultural Affairs and Special Events; we must leave at 6:20PM for the Goodman Theatre.
- 7PM, *The Iceman Cometh*, Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn Street.

June 14, Thursday

- Arrivals, Conference hotels.
- Continental breakfast and General Membership Meeting, 9AM-Noon, Tribune Tower, 435 N. Michigan Avenue, 20th Floor.
- 1:30PM *My Kind of Town* (world premiere), TimeLine Theatre Co., 615 W. Wellington.
- 5PM, Black Ensemble Cultural Center, 4450 N. Clark Street, dinner.
- 7:30PM, *The Marvin Gaye Story: Don't Talk About My Father Because God is My Friend*, Black Ensemble Cultural Center.
- 7:30PM, *Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me* taping, Chase Auditorium, 10 S. Dearborn Street.

June 15, Friday

- 9:30AM, Chicago Shakespeare Theater, Skyline Room (6th floor), continental breakfast.
- 10:15AM-11AM, Chicago Shakespeare Theater, welcome from artistic director **Barbara Gaines** and executive director **Criss Henderson**; presentation of **Osborne and Primus awards** to playwrights **Darren Canady** and **Caridad Svich**.
- 11AM-Noon, Chicago Shakespeare Theater, Perspectives in Criticism: Wall Street Journal critic **Terry Teachout** discusses *The Power of Enthusiasm*.
- 1:45PM-3:15PM, "Diversity at the Top," panel discussion, Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont, with artistic directors **Chay Yew** (Victory Gardens), **Bonnie Metzgar** (About Face) and **Lili-Anne Brown** (Bailiwick Chicago).
- 3:30PM-5:00PM, "The Permanent Avant-Garde," panel discussion, Theater Wit, with representatives of the **Curious Theatre Branch**, the **Neo-Futurists** and **Theater Oobleck**.

- 5PM-7PM, dinner on your own at one of the many casual and modestly-priced Belmont Avenue restaurants, with Mexican, Indian, Chinese, Japanese, deep-dish pizza and American cuisines among the options . . . and a Vienna Pure Beef hot dog stand!
- 7:30PM, **selection of Off-Loop shows** by three different theatre companies in the Theater Wit performance spaces.
- 10PM-?, late-night options for comedy, magic and clubs.

June 16, Saturday

- Breakfast on your own.
- 9:30AM-11:30AM, **General Membership Meeting (ExCom nominations)**, MCA Stage at the Museum of Contemporary Art, and 220 E. Chicago Avenue (actually at Pearson St., east of the Watertower).
- 11:30AM-1PM, **A Conversation with Simon Callow**, MCA Stage.
- 1PM-6:30PM **FREE TIME**, an opportunity to use your **Passport to Chicago 2012**, a gift from the Chicago Office of Tourism and Culture.
- 6:30PM, **pre-show reception**, Lookingglass Theatre Company, Water Tower Pumping Station, 821 N. Michigan Avenue at Pearson Street; wine and light finger-food (not a meal replacement); opportunity to view the massive, working waterworks pumps.
- 7:30PM, **world premiere performance of *Eastland***, Lookingglass Theatre Company
- 10PM-?, late-night options.

June 17, Sunday

- 10AM-Noon, continental breakfast, final **General Membership Meeting (ExCom elections)**, Silk Road Rising, 77 W. Washington Street, lower level. **NOTE:** the Chicago Temple Building houses a church in which services will be going on as we meet; please enter quietly and take the stairs or elevator down to the lower level.
- Noon, organizational meeting of new Executive Committee and Foundation Board.
- Departures for Milwaukee** for those who have selected the Milwaukee add-on
- Sunday matinee performances (generally 3PM or 4PM) for those who wish to see another Off-Loop show.