

A New Musical Premieres at Royal Theatre

THOUSAND ISLANDS, July 24, 2019: A new musical, *In Common*, is on stage at Royal Theatre in Thousand Islands next month.

In Common is about family relationships, dysfunction and the journey to healing.

The show is the story of fictional couple, Alan and Clarissa Currie, who excel in their professional lives but stumble through their personal lives. Showing them the path to resolution are Olivia (the couple's sassy and independent daughter), Eleanor (Clarissa's eccentric mother, a former recording artist), Lailah (Eleanor's confidante, who is a pet psychic/medium), Dr. Sophia Panakeia (the family therapist) and surprisingly, two complete strangers Allura (a drama student) and Max (a songwriter).

Act One was workshopped at Randolph College for the Performing Arts in Toronto, followed by a staged reading of Act One at the Kingston Storefront Fringe Festival.

For this fully staged and choreographed workshop presentation of the 90 minute musical at Royal Theatre, local theatre professionals affiliated with St. Lawrence College musical productions in the local community joined the project as Director/Choreographer (Chad McNamara), Music Director/Music Arranger (Aaron Eyre), Stage Manager (Rachel Marks) as well as Assistant Director/Choreographer (Bethany Papadopoulos, a graduate of SLC).

The cast includes the following students in St. Lawrence College's Music Theatre Performance Program as well as Emily Masurkevitch (a Sheridan College musical theatre student): Caitlyn Acheson, Clifford Atwell, Mitchell Bruce, Blake Crawford, Taylor Faye, Liz Horton, Sasha Knox, Lily Lachapelle, Jordan Sabola, Monique Stinchcombe, Ajah Tanis.

Earlier this year, *In Common* placed in the finals of two juried competitions, the SheNYC Festival created by SheNYC Arts and Rave Theater Festival created by Tony Award-winning Broadway producer Ken Davenport.

Bios for the show's creative team and a medley of the show's music can be heard at www.incommonthemusical.com.

The show runs from August 3 to August 17, 2019 at 7:30 PM, Sunday matinees at 2:00 PM.

No shows on Mondays or on Sunday August 4.

Tickets (before service fees) are \$25 for adults, \$20 for youth.

For online purchases or for more information about in-person box office sales, visit the theatre's website at www.royaltheatre.ca.