

For Immediate Release

September 13 – October 17, 2021

Bridge Street Theatre presents

LEWISTON

by MacArthur 'Genius Grant' Award Winner Samuel D. Hunter with Montana Lampert Hoover, Daniel Hall Kuhn, and Leigh Strimbeck Directed by Sara Lampert Hoover Set Design by John Sowle Lighting Design by Nicholas Hawrylko Costumes by Michelle Rogers Production Stage Manager: Liz Powers October 7 - 17, 2021 Bridge Street Theatre's "Priscilla" Mainstage 44 West Bridge Street, Catskill, NY



Bridge Street Theatre presents Samuel D. Hunter's LEWISTON Artwork by Tim Prythero

"Lewiston" Comes to Catskill's Bridge Street Theatre October 7 - 17

The limitless frontier explored by Meriwether Lewis has dwindled for one of his descendants to a tiny sliver of Idaho land on which she runs a laughably unprofitable roadside fireworks stand. MacArthur 'Genius Grant' recipient Samuel D. Hunter explores the emotional wilderness of a family struggling to stay afloat and keep their American dreams alive in "Lewiston", an affectionate, poignant, and profoundly empathic new play, coming to Catskill's Bridge Street Theatre for eight performances only October 7 - 17, 2021.

This regional premiere will be directed by Sara Lampert Hoover, with sets by John Sowle, lighting by Nicholas Hawrylko, and costumes by Michelle Rogers. Featured in the cast are actors Leigh Strimbeck, Daniel Hall Kuhn, and Montana Lampert Hoover. Production Stage Manager is Liz Powers. Bridge Street Theatre's entire Fall 2021 "American Roots Re-Awakened" Season is sponsored by Nina Matis and Alan Gosule, and production of "Lewiston" has been funded in part by a Restart NY Grant from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Samuel D. Hunter is an American playwright, born and raised in Moscow, Idaho and currently living in New York City. Among his plays are "A Bright New Boise" (2010), "The Whale" (2012), "A Great Wilderness" (2014), "Clarkston" (2015), "Lewiston" (2016), and "Greater Clements" (2018). He is also the recipient of a 2014 MacArthur Fellowship.

For the safety of both audiences and artists, Bridge Street Theatre follows union and state guidelines for indoor entertainment venues. All attendees will need to provide proof of vaccination or a recent negative test for COVID at the door prior to entry. In addition, masks will need to be worn at all times while in the theatre building. For more detailed information on the theatre's safety precautions and attendance requirements, visit bridgest.org/covid-safety-rules-at-bst/.

"Lewiston" will be performed Thursdays – Sundays, October 7 – 17, 2021, on Bridge Street Theatre's "Priscilla" Mainstage, located at 44 West Bridge Street in the Village of Catskill. The show is recommended for audiences ages 12 and over. Thursday, Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30pm, with Sunday matinees at 2:00pm. Admission at the door is \$25, Students and Children ages 18 and under are only \$10. Discounted advance tickets (highly recommended) are available for \$22/\$10 (+ a small service fee) at lewiston21.brownpapertickets.com. In addition, the Thursday October 7 preview and Sunday October 10 matinee will each be bargain "Pay-What-You-Will" performances.

For further information on "Lewiston and other upcoming events at Bridge Street Theatre, check the theatre's website at <u>bridgest.org</u>. Live theatre is back! Don't miss this moving and deeply American play in its upstate premiere.

Performance Calendar:

Bridge Street Theatre presents Show #2 in its 2021 "American Roots Re-Awakened" Season

LEWISTON

by MacArthur 'Genius Grant' Award Winner Samuel D. Hunter with Montana Lampert Hoover, Daniel Hall Kuhn, and Leigh Strimbeck Directed by Sara Lampert Hoover Set Design by John Sowle Lighting Design by Nicholas Hawrylko Costumes by Michelle Rogers Production Stage Manager: Liz Powers October 7 - 17, 2021 Bridge Street Theatre's "Priscilla" Mainstage 44 West Bridge Street, Catskill, NY

Thursday October 7 @ 7:30pm ("Pay What You Will" preview)
Friday October 8 @ 7:30pm (Opening Night)
Saturday October 9 @ 7:30pm
Sunday October 10 @ 2:00pm ("Pay What You Will" performance)
Thursday October 14 @ 7:30pm
Friday October 15 @ 7:30pm
Saturday October 16 @ 7:30pm
Sunday October 17 @ 2:00pm (Closing performance)

Tickets:

Advance tickets available at https://lewiston21.brownpapertickets.com General Admission \$22, \$10 for Students and Children ages 18 and under Tickets can also be purchased at the door prior to each performance (on a space available basis) for \$25, \$10 for Students ages 18 & under.

Bridge Street Theatre is supported in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Governor of New York and the New York State Legislature and by Public Funds from the Greene County Legislature through the Cultural Fund administered in Greene County by the Greene County Council on the Arts (dba CREATE).

Further Information:

To contact Bridge Street Theatre directly, email contact@bridgest.org or call their offices at 518-943-3894.

For more information on Bridge Street Theatre visit BridgeSt.org. Interviewers and reviewers contact john@bridgest.org or 518-478-5982 (cell)