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GSU Performance March 8 - 10

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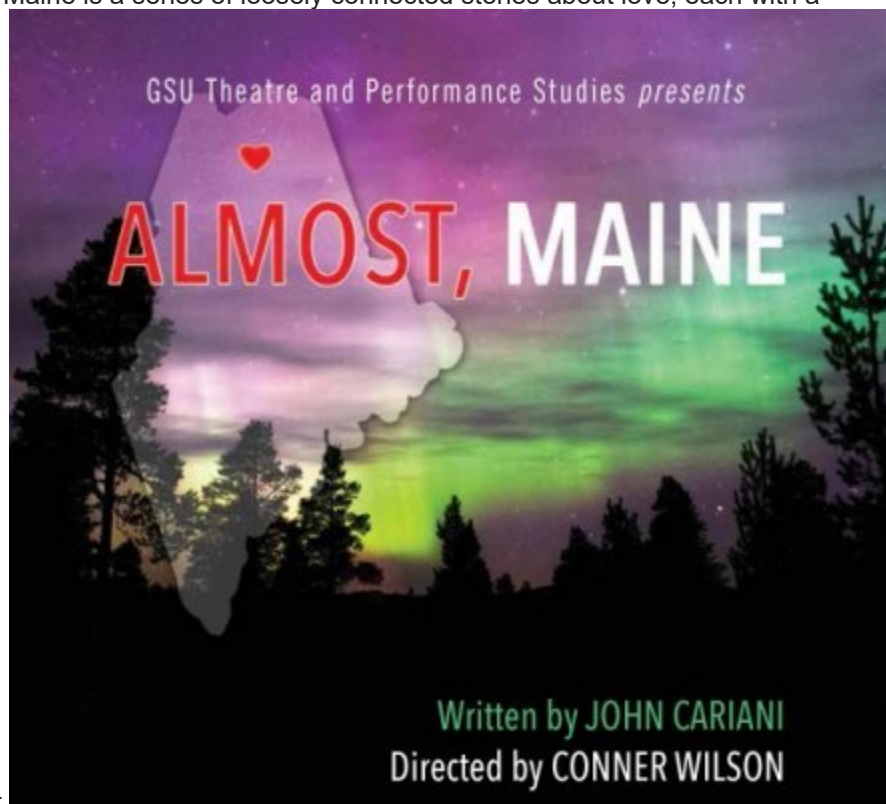
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University Park, IL – Student actors from Governors State University [Theatre and Performance Studies](#) program present the romantic comedy “Almost, Maine” by John Cariani on Friday and Saturday, March 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, March 10 at 2 p.m. at [GSU's](#) Center for Performing Arts.

Driven by the mystical energy of the aurora borealis, or northern lights, and filled with funny and thoughtful characters, Almost, Maine is a series of loosely connected stories about love, each with a



fascinating couple at its center.

On a cold, clear, moonless night in the middle of winter, all is not quite what it seems in the remote, mythical town of Almost, Maine. Almost's residents find themselves falling in and out of love in unexpected and often hilarious ways. Knees are bruised. Hearts are broken. But the bruises heal, and the hearts mend - almost - in this surprising midwinter tale.

Visiting Director Connor Wilson says, "Almost, Maine is a picturesque examination of the human soul. A delve into the deepest parts of the human heart begging the questions: What does it mean to love? What does it mean to take a chance? and What is life without a little hope?"

Local actors include GSU students Sam Brassfield, Therese Marie Caldwell, Lardell Clark and Nekia Driver.

Patrons should prepare to experience the life-altering power of the human heart through playful and surreal experiences. The play is PG-13 appropriate. Patrons are seated on the stage on tiered platform seating, limited to 116 to ensure unobstructed views for a cozy experience.

Tickets are just \$15, and can be purchased at CenterTickets.net, at the Box Office, or by phone at 708.235.2222. Discounts are available for students, children, seniors 65+, groups of 10+, and patrons purchasing three or more shows.

The Box Office is located at 1 University Parkway, University Park, IL, and is open Monday- Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and two hours prior to all performances.

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About Director Conner Wilson Conner Wilson is a Chicago-based director and Artistic Director of Commission Theatre. Recent directing credits include: Associate Directing the Broadway revival of Torch Song by Harvey Fierstein with Moisés Kaufman (Helen Hayes Theatre), The Comedy of Errors, Henry IV Part 1, Love's Labour's Lost (Commission Theatre), Pericles (Muse of Fire Theatre), This is Our Youth (Clarence Brown Theatre).

About Theatre and Performance Studies at GSU This play is produced by GSU's Theatre and Performance Studies (T.A.P.S) Program. GSU's T.A.P.S. bachelor's degree is the only degree combining the two disciplines at a public state university in Illinois. For information on the T.A.P.S. program, contact Dr. Patrick Santoro at psantoro@govst.edu or Dr. Jason Zingsheim at jzingsheim@govst.edu. Like us on Facebook @tapsgsu for updates.

About GSU Center for Performing Arts Located at Governors State University, Center for Performing arts provides dynamic entertainment and edutainment experiences for all, serving over 50,000 patrons annually.