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## Broadway Play “The Lifespan of a Fact” Opens at Cape May Stage on Sept 1

The third play of Cape May Stage’s 2022 season, “The Lifespan of a Fact,” will open on Sept. 1, 2022, with a Preview Night on Aug. 31, 2022. In this comedic yet gripping battle over facts versus fiction, a fresh-out-of-Harvard fact checker takes on a talented writer’s essay that could save the sinking *New York Magazine* from collapse. “The Lifespan of a Fact” asks audiences a difficult question: What is the value of fact?

This thought-provoking play, which debuted as a Broadway production in 2012, was originally written as a longform essay, an experimental work of non-fiction by writer John D’Agata and his editor Jim Fingal. The meta-essay, which included both the original reportage written by D’Agata as well as the red-penned edits made by *The Believer* magazine editor Fingal, explored the relationship between writer and editor, fact and storytelling, truth and embellishment. The book version of this essay was named “Best Book of the Year” by *The Huffington Post* in 2012, and selected as an Editor’s Choice by *The New York Times Book Review* that same year.

Of the Cape May Stage production, Producing Artistic Director Roy Steinberg comments: “Though hilariously funny, ‘The Lifespan of a Fact’ is the most important play we are doing this season in terms of encouraging the audience to question long-held beliefs and look at the world with a fresh perspective.”

Actor Bill Timoney headlines the cast, with credits that include roles in the stage adaptation of the film *Network*, the Tony award winning play *All the Way*, and a long-running part on ABC’s *All My Children*. Timoney will be joined on stage by co-stars Colby Howell and Marlena Lustik. The show will run Wednesday to Sunday evenings at 7 p.m., with matinee performances at 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays until Oct. 2. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit [www.capemaystage.org](http://www.capemaystage.org) or call the box office at (609) 770-8311.

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Cape May Stage’s mission is to produce compelling and impactful theater that engages audiences and enriches their lives. Located at the Robert Shackleton Playhouse on the corner of Bank and Lafayette Streets in the heart of historic downtown Cape May, NJ, Cape May Stage is dedicated to producing diverse, contemporary theater in the nation’s oldest seaside resort. For more information, visit <https://www.capemaystage.org/>, or contact Cape May Stage at [press@capemaystage.org](mailto:press@capemaystage.org). To stay connected, follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

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