We invite you to join Actors Theatre of Louisville in celebrating the artists, collaborators, and community partners who come together to make the meaningful impact of our work possible.

As a Convergence Ball sponsor, your partnership supports the year-round creation of innovative and engaging experiences at the intersection of art and service, as well as a fabulous evening filled with exuberance, exploration, and engagement that’s unique to Actors Theatre.

We hope you’ll join us on February 25, 2023 as we open the theater doors wide for the first-ever Actors Theatre of Louisville Convergence Ball!

Robert Barry Fleming,
Executive Artistic Director
THE CONVERGENCE BALL

An immersive, innovative, celebratory experience.

On Saturday, February 25, 2023, our Main Street theater complex will be transformed into an immersive space for food, fun, and artistic exploration!

From experiencing Actors Theatre’s extended-reality (XR) programming to screenings of our animated shorts like the award-winning The Breasts of Tiresias, the Convergence Ball offers a thrilling deep dive into our multi-platform work.

Pop-up performances will take place throughout our spaces, offering guests something new to discover around every corner. The festivities will also showcase local culinary talent and a variety of vendors. The evening will culminate in exciting live performances, followed by one incredible dance party!

From top to bottom: Photo by Karolina Grabowska; Allan K. Washington and Shaun Bengson in Where the Mountain Meets the Sea.
RECOGNITION AND BENEFITS

Becoming a Convergence Ball sponsor is a unique opportunity to engage with Actors Theatre’s national community and support our first in-person gala event since the onset of the pandemic -- which is certainly cause for celebration! Sponsorships include recognition via digital and print marketing, as well as many opportunities for acknowledgment at the event.

**Actors Theatre of Louisville Engagement Metrics:**
- Website 100K+ monthly website visitors
- Email marketing 32K+ email subscribers
- Social media 12K+ Instagram followers & 48K+ Facebook followers
- Digital engagement in 47 U.S. states, and 20 countries outside of the United States, including Mexico, Canada, England, and Japan.
- Anticipating more than 200 in-person event attendees.

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INVESTING IN IMPACT

Access and Inclusion

Actors Theatre of Louisville is an arts and culture organization as social enterprise. As a 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to service, building community, and creating positive social change, we strive to improve the lives of Kentuckians and inspire strategies for full flourishing globally. It is critical to the success of our mission that our services be accessible and inclusive to all, and especially to those historically and systemically excluded.

Artistic Innovation

Actors Theatre of Louisville is committed to broadening, deepening, and diversifying the American theatre canon and telling stories that are relevant and accessible to the communities we serve, as well as responsive to the urgent issues of the moment.

This fall, we’re thrilled to produce Dracula: A Feminist Revenge Fantasy, a new adaptation that bounces between humor and horror to reimagine the classic, and this regional premiere features an inspiring group of Kentucky artists. In October, we’ll highlight the legacy of civil rights activist Fannie Lou Hamer in FANNIE: The Music and Life of Fannie Lou Hamer, and in December, A Christmas Carol: Ghost Story takes the stage.

Our focus on exploring and engaging our community via multiple platforms has resulted in extended-reality (XR) experiences, animated shorts, audio plays, immersive gaming, and more. For example, Ali Summit, an XR collaboration, is inspired by the 1967 summit of prominent Black athletes who met to question Muhammad Ali about his conscientious objection to military service.

Intersection of Art and Wellness

Quantitative and qualitative data support the essential nature of the arts for our personal and public health. Actors Theatre leverages our expertise in art-based practices to support our communities through productions, programs, and partnerships at the intersection of art and wellness.

Our production of Every Brilliant Thing dealt openly with mental illness – a key issue facing Kentuckians. It was critical to ensure that guests had access to resources they could use if ever confronting a mental health crisis. The Actors Theatre team partnered with the Louisville chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness to provide a list of local and national resources online and in the lobby. Additionally, NAMI Louisville Executive Director Nancy Brooks spoke to the cast and creative team to support the storytelling and their personal well-being. Finally, Actors Theatre and NAMI Louisville worked together to curate an Unscripted conversation about mental health that was streamed via social media.

Learning and Creative Engagement

Actors Theatre cultivates life-long learners. Invigorated by the belief that art-based tools set young people up for success in all areas of life, our Learning and Creative Engagement (LACE) initiatives offer various points of entry in school, on stage, and online.

Through our many LACE programs, which include residencies in classrooms and community centers, the New Voices program, and more, we share the tools of creative expression with young people. Recently, we partnered with Justice Now, AMPED, JCPS, Roots 101: African American Museum, and The Kentucky Historical Society to produce THREADS OF OUR HISTORY: Where We Intertwine, which featured contributions from more than 50 JCPS students.
THANK YOU

FOR SUPPORTING OUR STORYTELLING (R)EVOLUTION.

We invite you to join us in our mission to unlock human potential, build community, and enrich quality of life by engaging people in theatre that reflects the wonder and complexity of our time.

Together, we will continue to serve our communities by creating innovative and engaging work at the intersection of art and service. Your meaningful philanthropic support bolsters the success of these programs, which are essential to reimagining the future of American theatre and enriching the cultural life of our city.

We are grateful for your consideration and look forward to continued conversation.

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