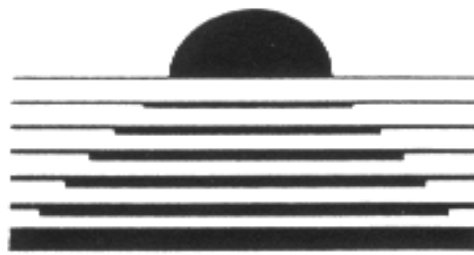


MEDIA ACCESS OFFICE



NEWS

Disability Resource to the Entertainment Industry

M.A.O. MEMBER APPEARANCES



Codes:

AL-Leg Amputee B-Blind D-Deaf
MI-Mobility Impaired WU-Wheelchair User

M.A.O. MEMBERS AND OTHER KNOWN P.W.D.'S WHO ARE SERIES REGULARS

Deanne Bray (D) as Sue Thomas
"Sue Thomas F.B. Eye" - PAX
Robert David Hall (AL) as Coroner Dr. Robbins
"CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" - CBS
Daryl Mitchell (WU) as Eli
"Ed" - NBC

THEATRE APPEARANCES

"PDB: People Doing Beckett"

Where: Company of Angels Theatre
2106 Hyperion Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90027
(Corner of Hyperion and Lyric in Silver Lake.)

Performance Dates: June 3 - 18, 2003

Time: Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 8PM

Tickets: \$10

Reservation & Info Line: 323/883-1717

Parking: Gated parking is available for \$2.00. Street parking is also available.

M.A.O. member *Danny Murphy (WU)* is the "Performer" in the Samuel Beckett piece "Catastrophe", one of six dramaticules that break the traditional rules of creating story.

"The Reflections of A Black Deaf Woman"

Where: 4305 Village Theatre
Leimert Park Village
4305 Degan Boulevard, Los Angeles

Performance Dates: June 5 - 28, 2003

Times: Thursdays - 7:30PM - Saturdays - 4PM

Tickets: \$20 Adult; \$25 Seniors & College Students w/ID.

Reservation Line: 310/672-3429 (v) & 323/752-0727 (tty)

Special Reception: Thursday, June 19, 2003

Reception Tickets: \$40 - \$50.

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Website: www.michellebanks.com

M.A.O. member *Michelle Banks (D)* will be presenting her one woman show. (*Michelle is the recipient of the 2002 Christopher Reeve Acting Scholarship.*)

"Trust Me"

Where: The Elephant Lab Theatre
6322 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood, CA

Performance Dates: June 14 - August 2, 2003

Time: Friday & Saturday @ 10PM

Tickets: \$15 General Admission - \$10 Student w/ID

Reservation & Info Line: 310/452-5011

M.A.O. member *Richard Redlin (WU)* is a performer in this play which he also wrote and directed as well.

LIVE APPEARANCES

Guest Artist with The Rumble Bees Band

Where: Rusty's Surf Ranch
256 Santa Monica Pier
Santa Monica, CA 90401

Date: Saturday, June 7, 2003

Time: 9:30PM

Cover Charge: \$5.00

Info Line: 310/393-7437

M.A.O member *Dena Diamond (B)* will be a guest artist with The Rumble Bees singing a song she wrote.

MC at Hallenbeck's General Store

Address: 5510 Cahuenga Blvd.
North Hollywood, CA 91601
(Between Burbank Blvd. & Chandler Blvd.)

Date: Saturday, June 28, 2003

Time: 8PM - 11PM

Cover Charge: \$5.00

Info Line: 818/985-5916

Dawn Grabowski (MI) winner of the 2002 Norman G. Brooks Stand-up Comedy Competition, will be the MC at this small, cozy family-owned coffee house. Dawn will be doing her stand-up comedy in-between the set-up of four independent bands.

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JUNE, 2003

(M.A.O. Member Appearances – continued)

ON-LINE APPEARANCES

"Lysistrata On Wheels"

Publication: Current issue of *Opening Stages*, a free quarterly e-mail publication of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

To subscribe - email: access@kennedy-center.org
Check out *Joy Mincey Powell's (WU)* article in this publication. The article considers disability integration in the LA theatre community through the involvement of her company, CripChic Productions, in the worldwide theatre peace event, the Lysistrata Project.



Acting Class

Attention new and former acting students that have taken classes with **Laura Gardner**. Ms. Gardner will be teaching a class focusing on scenes for the upcoming acting scholarship competition taking place this Fall.

CLASSES WILL TAKE PLACE AT M.A.O ON -
Thursdays: June 12, 19, 26 and July 10, 2003
TIME: 1:00pm to 3:00pm
FEE: Free of Charge
Call M.A.O. to reserve your space at 818/752-1196.



SAG/AFTRA/AEA MEMBERS

The **PERFORMERS WITH DISABILITIES** Caucus will be meeting on:

When: Monday, June 2, 2003
Where: AFTRA Board Room
5757 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90036
Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm
Info: 323/549-6038
Guest Speaker: Carol Goldwasser, CSA

TAKE A HEADSHOT & RESUME!



WRITERS

It's time again for The Walt Disney Studios and ABC Entertainment Writing Fellowship Program

For the fourteenth year they are continuing their search to discover and employ creative talent, and to employ culturally and ethnically diverse writers. Fellowships in the feature film and television areas will be offered. The Program is open to all writers. Fellows will each be provided a one-year salary of \$50,000 tentatively scheduled to begin in January 2004.

Download an application packet from their website at www.abcnewtalent.disney.com
Or call 818/560-6894.

Please note - submission period is
June 1 through June 27, 2003.

Applications postmarked prior to or after these dates will be returned unopened.



Attention Visual Artists with Disabilities

VSA arts and Volkswagen of America have issued a call for artists with disabilities, ages 16-25 living within the United States, to participate in a juried exhibit entitled "Road Trip: A Journey of Discovery."

This theme invites young artists to take the viewer on a pictorial journey, imaginary or real, and to evoke the feelings associated with the experience through their work. Entries may be abstract or representational, and may also depict how living with a disability affects the artist's life. Each artist may submit up to five entries on 35mm slides. Fifteen finalists will be awarded a total of \$30,000 and will be honored in a public exhibition in Washington, D. C. in October 2003.

Artists who are interested in having their work considered for "Road Trip" can download entry forms at www.vsarts.org/gallery/callsforarts/vw/index.html.

Hollywood Networking Breakfast

THIS IS A MUST ATTEND EVENT!

How does one make the "leap" in Hollywood from child star to head its most powerful guild? The special guest speaker, **MELISSA GILBERT**, will share her amazing "Hollywood fairy tale" story at the *June Changing Images in America* breakfast. Ms. Gilbert won America's heart as "Laura" on Michael Landon's landmark hit series, "Little House on the Prairie," and captured Hollywood's soul with her historic election as President of the 100,000 member Screen Actors Guild (SAG). Melissa Gilbert is the youngest person ever to receive a star on the "Hollywood Walk of Fame!" She has been able to sustain her amazing acting/producing/directing career for over thirty years - an unheard feat for a child star. In addition to her nine years on "Little House," Ms. Gilbert's career includes over forty television movies, many guests appearances on episodic dramas, and a starring role in the highly-acclaimed television series, "Sweet Justice," in which the legendary Cicely Tyson co-starred.

Date: Thurs., June 26, 2003 **Time:** 8 AM-10:30 AM

Place: Wyndham Bel Age Hotel

1020 N. San Vicente Blvd., Salon Room II

W. Hollywood, CA (1/2 block south of Sunset)

Attire: Business casual. **No Jeans or T-shirts, please!**

Price: \$25 (FULL breakfast, includes tax and tip. **Please note: valet parking charges a \$3 service fee.**)

\$26 cash only for "pre-confirmed late reservations" and \$30 cash only for "unexpected walk-ins".

Information: Contact Sandra Lord at (310) 477-0996 ext. 3. For more information, check out their website at:

www.changingimagesinamerica.org.

Payment: Paid reservation, postmarked by June 19, 2003 serves as confirmed reservation. You **MUST** list your contact phone number and the names of all guests who are included on your check.

Third party or out of state checks will not be accepted from first time attendees.

Make checks payable to:

Changing Images In America

PO Box 2688, Hollywood, CA 90078

Accommodations: **Please include a note along with your check requesting an ASL interpreter if needed.** *The Interpreter will be cancelled three days before the breakfast if there are no requests.



M.A.O. Members - The office is compiling statistics and tracking results of auditions and work that Performers with Disabilities have been on. It is important that you please be sure to call the Reporting Line when you have an audition or work.

REPORTING LINE

818/753-3425 (N. Hollywood)

925/602-1542 (M.A.O. North)



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www.disabilityemployment.org

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JOIN THE FUN & CHEER FOR YOUR FAVORITE COMIC!

What: 4th ANNUAL NORMAN G. BROOKS
STAND-UP COMEDY SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

When: Wednesday, June 25, 2003

PLEASE NOTE NEW LOCATION!

Where:  8162 Melrose Avenue, Hollywood, CA 90046

Time: Doors Open: 6:30PM Show: 7:30PM

Tickets: \$25 presale - \$50 at the door.

Tickets are available through the Media Access Office.

SPACE IS LIMITED!

