

LTA January Staged Readings

January 23, 24, 25, and 26, 2024

\$10 at the door night of the performance.

Cash, check, or credit card / No advance reservations.

No charge for LTA Members & Council Members

The Taming and ***The Ice Front*** deal with historical and political themes, past and present and is recommended for audiences 18 and older. ***The Ice Front*** explores themes of resistance and artistic integrity under oppressive regimes. ***The Taming*** contains strong language.

January 25 at 8 pm – ***The Taming***

Written by Lauren Gunderson and Directed by Jessie Roberts

Produced by Eleanore Tapscott

Tweeting, pandashrews, and undying giddiness for James Madison—what else could you expect to find at a Miss America pageant? In this hilarious, raucous, all-female “power-play” inspired by Shakespeare’s *Shrew*, contestant Katherine has political aspirations to match her beauty pageant ambitions. All she needs to revolutionize the American government is the help of one ultra-conservative senator’s aide on the cusp of a career breakthrough, and one bleeding-heart liberal blogger who will do anything for her cause. Well, that and a semi-historically-accurate ether trip.

January 26 at 8 pm – ***The Ice Front***

Written by Eric Samuelson and Directed by Jessie Roberts

Produced by Eleanore Tapscott

It takes courage to pretend to be someone you are not in order to be who you are. The traitorous takeover of Norway by the Nazis during WW2 was not well received by the vast majority of the Norwegians; especially the acting community. The actors of the Norwegian National Theatre find themselves in an uneasy truce with Nazi cultural authorities during the German occupation. Distrust rises to defiance when they are forced to perform a Nazi propaganda piece, conscience comes face-to-face with The Final Solution. Several of the actors were murdered. The remainder were either imprisoned, or forced to flee to neutral Sweden, where they waited out the war. After the war, laws were changed in Norway to allow the execution of traitors. Those responsible for the invasion and the betrayals paid with their lives.