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THE GALLERY PLAYERS ANNOUNCE BLITHE SPIRIT TO KICK-OFF 47TH SEASON
September 7th – 22nd

Frankie Dailey, *Producer*
Tanya Kateri, *Associate Producer*
Sue Glausen, *Director*

BLITHE SPIRIT – The Gallery Players is proud to present Noel Coward’s *Blithe Spirit* which will open September 7th and run through September 22nd as the first production of their 47th Season. **Matt W. Cody*** (*Resonance Ensemble, Metropolitan Playhouse*), will make his debut at Gallery in the role of Charles. Also, appearing for the first time on the Gallery stage will be **Amber Nicole Guest*** (*Lyric Stage*) and **Bonnie Wickeraad*** (*Chance Theater*) as Elvira and Ruth, respectively. Gallery alumnus **Sue Glausen** (*Marvin’s Room, Over the River and Through the Woods*) will again direct. The production will be brought to life under Technical Director and Lighting Designer **Andrew Lu**, Set Designer **Olia Rogova**, Costume Designer **Joey Haws**, Sound Designer **Jacob Subotnick**, Props Designer **Sara Slagle**, and Production Stage Manager **Kathleen Parker**. The cast will include **Patricia Lavin, Elliott Mayer*, Noelle McGrath***, and **Amy Scanlon**. *Actors appearing courtesy of Actors Equity Association.

Performances will take place at 8:00 pm on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, as well as 2:00 pm matinees on Saturday and 3:00 pm on Sunday. Tickets are \$18 for Adults, \$14 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased 24/7 online at www.galleryplayers.com or by calling OvationTix at 212-352-3101 (phone hours 9-9 weekdays, 10-6 weekends). *Blithe Spirit* is an Actors Equity Association approved showcase.

In the midst of an unconventionally screwball séance, novelist Charles Condomine comes face to face with the spirit of his first wife, Elvira, much to the dismay of his current wife, Ruth. Dead set on reviving their relationship, Elvira stops at nothing to return Charles to her side. However, chaos ensues when Elvira’s plans run awry as someone unexpected joins her in the paranormal plane. Boasting a magnificent set full of surprises and a glamorous slate of costumes, audiences will fully experience the lavishly luxurious British countryside in the Gallery Players’ sophisticated production of Noel Coward’s candid comedy. Featuring high-energy exchanges and a full roster of brilliantly bantering charismatic characters, this production will certainly invite audiences to laugh along.

THE GALLERY PLAYERS – The Gallery Players (TGP) has provided Brooklyn audiences with quality theatre since 1967. Located in Park Slope but beloved on both sides of the Brooklyn Bridge, The Gallery Players is dedicated to producing classic and contemporary plays and musicals as well as premiering new works.

Recipient of the Off-Off Broadway Review's 2000 Award for Lifetime Achievement, and Innovative Theater (IT) awards for outstanding musical for *Urinetown*, *Yank*, and *Like You Like It*. The Gallery Players' season comprises three plays and three musicals, covering a remarkably wide range of dramatic and comedic styles. The season finale is the Annual Black Box New Play Festival, which gives world premier performances of works by playwrights.

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