



Midsummer Mayhem: Stange Bedfellows Arriving in Pawling!

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H. G. Fairfield Arts Center for the Environment is proud to host a 1960's-themed production of William Shakespeare's [A Midsummer Night's Dream](#) at Lakeside Park, in the Town of Pawling, on Saturday, August 11th, 2012, at 8:30 p.m.

The Town of Pawling's Recreation Department's Children's Summer Theater Program's performance, [Welcome to Camp Koolata](#), will be performed in the Lathrop Center at Lakeside Park beginning at 7p.m, also on August 11th. [Welcome to Camp Koolata](#) is written and directed by Camille Ludington. Immediately following in Lakeside Park's open-air pavilion will be [A Midsummer Night's Dream](#). [Strange Bedfellows](#), with Diana Green directing the company, will perform midsummer mayhem in a setting reminiscent of the Athenian Forest in Shakespeare's script.

"We are thrilled to present the Children's Shakespeare Theater's adult troupe, [Strange Bedfellows](#)," says Kathie F. Freston, H. G. Fairfield Arts Founder.

"We are doubly thrilled that the adults' performance will follow the conclusion of Pawling's children's performance. The public will have the opportunity to see two wonderful performances in the same evening, in the same park, on separate stages," she added.

H. G. Fairfield Arts' Midsummer Mayhem is just one of the many must-see summer theatrical attractions in Dutchess, Putnam, Westchester Counties, and NY's Mid-Hudson Valley.

"We have a wealth of culture and entertainment, talent and the Arts, all around us," remarks Ms Freston. The Children's Shakespeare Theater, founded by Diana Green and based in Palisades, NY, in Rockland County and the Lower Hudson Valley, is dedicated to giving young performers "an opportunity to experience Shakespeare's words and deep understanding of the human experience and to help them to translate their experience to a broader audience of children and adults" www.childrensshakespeare.org.

“Working in summer stock theater as a young college student,” Ms. Freston reveals, “was a highlight for me while growing up. Being able to put Arlo Guthrie on stage for the first time is icing on the cake, proving ‘Big things on stage can happen in little towns’.”

Not ‘fluent’ in Shakespeare? “Nae ta worry!” exclaims Kim Blacklock, H. G. Fairfield Arts President;

“Costumes from the ‘60s and a hippie attitude to match may well dust off those neuronal memory chips. Make sure to save the date to come join us,” Ms. Blacklock says.

About H. G. Fairfield Arts Center for the Environment: H. G. Fairfield Arts is a New York State registered Charity, and as a 501 (c) (3) corporation, is a member of NYCON (New York Council of Nonprofits). H. G. Fairfield Arts inherits H. G.’s 19th Century legacy of “See a need, fill it” – its mission is “to promote the creation of arts, culture, & recreation.” The Mid-Hudson Valley organization engages local talent to tackle societal issues on the community level.

Admission is by suggested donation: \$15, \$25/2, \$40/3, kids 12 & under free.

Support H. G. Fairfield Arts’ Midsummer Mayhem at brownpapertickets.com. There will be an intermission with concessions at the event.

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For more information, please contact Danielle Nickerson at 845- 363-1559 or email office@hgfairfieldarts.org .
To Volunteer to help bring the Children’s Shakespeare Theater’s Strange Bedfellows’ production of William Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream to Pawling, NY’s Lakeside Park, please contact Christine O’Neill (days) via – 845-363-1559, or email: quilloverkill@aim.com.





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