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Remy Bumppo Theatre Company presents
ARTIST DESCENDING A STAIRCASE
By Tom Stoppard

A Radio Play streaming from April 5 - April 18, 2021

CHICAGO – Remy Bumppo Theatre Company is pleased to present ***ARTIST DESCENDING A STAIRCASE*** by **Tom Stoppard** as a radio play **directed by Remy Bumppo co-founder and Artist Director Emeritus James Bohnen**. The show, full of sparkling wit, heart-wrenching romance and modern art, will be available online and free to listen to from April 5 through April 18, 2021.

ARTIST DESCENDING A STAIRCASE is one of Stoppard's brilliant early radio plays, written in 1972 and a precursor to *Travesties*, *The Real Thing* and *The Invention of Love*. The story begins with the mysterious death of one of the three main characters, all Dadaist artists and friends since their schooldays. The two elderly survivors hilariously set about examining their emotional and artistic histories, descending backwards in time from 1972 to 1914 and forwards again, tracing their intertwined youthful relationships and unconsciously uncovering the tragedy in their past.

This production will feature Remy Bumppo Artistic Director **Nick Sandys** as well as Remy Core Ensemble Members **Annabel Armour**, **Peter A. Davis**, and **Aurora Real De Asua**.

Remy Bumppo Theatre Company's production of ***ARTIST DESCENDING A STAIRCASE***, a **radio play**, will be available for streaming from April 5 through April 18, 2021. The production is free to listen to, however registration is required. An Open Captioned version of the production will also be made available for viewing.

To register to listen, visit RemyBumppo.org/Shows/ArtistDescending. For questions regarding registration, please contact the Remy Bumppo staff at boxoffice@remybumppo.org.

ARTIST DESCENDING A STAIRCASE is generously underwritten by Mary and Bruce Feay, Mary and Mike Pavia, and David and Susan Weidenfeld. Remy Bumppo Theatre Company would also like to thank Presenting Sponsor Geoffrey A. Anderson and Season Sponsors Brenda and James Grusecki for their support.

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PRODUCTION DETAILS:

Title: ***ARTIST DESCENDING A STAIRCASE***

Written by: Tom Stoppard

Production:

Director - James Bohnen

Assistant Director - Greg Matthew Anderson

Stage Manager - Tara Kelly

Sound Designer and Engineer - Christopher Kriz

Cast:

Beauchamp - Nick Sandys

Martello - Annabel Armour

Donner - Peter A. Davis

Sophie - Aurora Real De Asua

Dates: April 5 - April 18, 2021

Where: www.RemyBumppo.org

Tickets: Free Registration

ABOUT REMY BUMPPO THEATRE COMPANY:

Remy Bumppo Theatre Company expands and enriches their community's view of the world, and their own, by producing both the great plays of the past and the important plays of today. As an ensemble-driven theater company, Remy Bumppo authors a more humane culture that listens to, and seeks to understand, the voices, the ideas, and the stories of one another.

Since its inception in 1996, Remy Bumppo has produced a blend of modern classics, new adaptations, and complex contemporary works, all presented in an intimate setting with clarity, wit and passion. We invite audiences to engage directly with the art through conversation with the artists.

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