

AHS DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS

10 Ways to Survive Life in a Quarantine

A COMEDY BY DON ZOLIDIS

FRIDAY MAY 8TH

7:00 P.M.

VIA ZOOM



About the production

Right before the school year went into a temporary shutdown, a friend of mine said, “When they cancel soccer in Europe, you know things have gone totally off the rails.” Then basketball was cancelled, and baseball and everything imaginable. Things have gone totally off the rails, but I am impressed by the response of so many people to try to take this all in stride and figure out how to function in this suspended state of our world.

Traditionally, we have been doing student work in the spring, showcasing their creativity and talents. When we initially left school, I told the kids to keep working on their parts so we could hit the ground running when we got back. As the days marched on, it became more and more apparent that we weren't going to get back in time. Then, our shutdown got extended. My wife said, ‘It's too bad you can't do the play online’ and this play came into my inbox and I thought it was perfect. I floated the idea to the club about trying this out and they have enthusiastically joined me on this strange adventure.

We wanted a way for everyone to forget about the world for a little bit, or at least laugh about it. I know that we have laughed and smiled as we put this together. We aren't charging anything for our production. If you enjoyed it, think about checking us out next fall or spring...hopefully in a theater. If you really enjoyed it, and you have the financial means, support the arts, or a charity, or a local business...they need us so much in these times and these times have proven how much we need them.

I can't begin to thank the essential workers enough, for going out to work, wherever it is, to work in close proximity to all kinds of people and to risk exposure to keep the world running – and it isn't just doctors and nurses, so many students find themselves in this situation: your service is invaluable. And to the rest, who are doing the best with what they have and making the best of a tough situation. This is our shot to find some normalcy, while keeping social distance. Thank you so much for joining us tonight.

About the author:

Don Zolidis holds a B.A. in English from Carleton College and an M.F.A. in playwriting from the Actor's Studio Program at the New School University, where he studied under Romulus Linney.

His plays have been seen at numerous theatres around the country, including The Purple Rose Theatre, The Ensemble Studio Theatre, The Bloomington Playwright's Project, The Phoenix Theatre, the Victory Theatre, Stage West, The Williamstown Theatre, and many others.

Don received the Princess Grace Award for playwriting in 2004 after having twice been a finalist. His plays have received two Edgerton New Play awards and multiple NEA grants among other honors. In 2013 his play *White Buffalo* was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

His plays for young people are among the most-produced in the country and have received more than 7,500 productions, appearing in every state and 51 countries.



During the show, be sure to follow us on Twitter:
@DramaClub_AHS

Jeremiah,

What a crazy year full of ... drama. We know it's not how you planned your senior year, but we are no less proud of you. So glad the drama club is able to put on a Zoom show and glad you are continuing to put your ... gift ... to use. Have a great show, finish up a great year and get ready for big things at Elmira.

Break a virtual leg!

***With much love,
Mom & Dad (Josh, Jerry, Josiah, Joseph & James)
#HurricaneCzyz***

We are so proud of you Marissa Smith! We have enjoyed watching you grow in your performances over the past 4 years! College is going to be a piece of cake! We love you,
Dad & Mom!

“Break a leg genie!”

Love, Mom, Drew and Julian

Break a leg Seamus!

Love Mom & Dad

Good Luck Abby! We are always proud of you!

Lauren- Break a leg. We are so proud of you.

Love Mom, Dad and AJ

Congratulations Donovan!!
We are so very proud of you!

Love, Mom and Dad.

Congratulations to all the seniors!

The Greene's

Cast of Characters

HOST

CO-HOST

1. Fall in love with Inanimate Objects

PETER

BRYN

LOU

2. Perform in your own Musicals with your pets

ELLA

CAMERON

JOSIE

3. Fun with Scissors – or, So Much Crafts!

JOLENE

PASCAL

D'ANGELO

4. I am Good at Sports Now – No One Can Stop Me

TASH

MARIN

ALAIN

5. William Shakesbear

BAILEY

SAHRA

REAGAN

5a...Quarantine at Hogwarts

HARRY POTTER FAN

6. Catch Up on Your Studies

ALISON

TORRIE

JULES

7. Get Very Involved in the Lives of Squirrels Outside Your Window

NEIMA

ANNA

LUCAS

8. Sleep, Live in Pajamas, Eat Chocolate

LYN

TOBY

JAMAL

9. Tell Spooky Stories

RACHEL

ANDREW

ANYA

10. Megalomania

JEFF

ASHLEY

UDER

Cast List

Host	- Madison Hall*
Co-host	- Grace Wiseman
Peter	- Seamus Greene
Bryn	- Francesca Vitale
Lou	- Holly Indelicato
Ella	- Kaitlyn Maywalt
Josie	- Abigail Lentini
Cameron	- Cameron Hodson*
Jolene	- Francesca Vitale
Pascal	- Marissa Smith*
D'Angelo	- Jeremiah Czyz*
Tash	- Holly Indelicato
Marin	- Dylan Bianco
Alain	- Seamus Greene
Bailey	- Grace Moskov
Sahra	- Jane Oliver
Reagan	- Ida Kavanaugh
Harry Potter Fan	- Molly Fisselbrand
Alison	- Lauren Murphy
Torrie	- Kaitlin Maywalt
Jules	- Donovan Tanner*
Neima	- Grace Wiseman
Anna	- Abigail Lentini
Lucas	- Cameron Hodson*
Lyn	- Mary Nila
Toby	- Dylan Bianco
Jamal	- Grace Moskov
Rachel	- Donovan Tanner*
Andrea	- Lauren Murphy
Anya	- Jane Oliver
Jeffolina	- Marissa Smith*
Ashley	- Ida Kavanaugh
Uder	- Jeremiah Czyz*

Special Thanks to Jadan Hand*, who created the beautiful poster for our show

*denotes Senior

Dylan Bianco

I have performed in three other shows with the drama club. Time spent in drama club is always exciting and memorable. I never expected to become so invested in drama club or performing in general, but it quickly became one of my favorite things. I am so thankful to have become a part of the drama club and to have gotten so close with all of the other members. I would like to thank all of my friends and family for always being supportive of me and for making me laugh.

Jeremiah Czyz*

Thank you all for watching our show! My name is Jeremiah Czyz and I am a senior this year. I am the secretary for Drama Club and I have been in two Drama Club shows, along with a musical for each of my four years of high school. When I realized that the pandemic would go long enough to cancel our show I was upset to say the least, so I was overjoyed when Mr. Fiss brought up the idea of a play over Zoom. All of us in Drama Club are very proud of what we've done with the show, and we hope you enjoy our performance!

Molly Fisselbrand

Hi, my name is Molly. I go to Onondaga Road in Camillus, NY. I hope you enjoy the show.

Seamus Greene

Hello! I'm Seamus Greene, and this is my second year in the Drama Club. I'm super happy to be able to still put on a spring production, although it may not be as conventional as it should have been. I hope you enjoy the show that we've worked really hard on doing!

Madison Hall*

My name is Maddie Hall and I've been in Drama Club for 4 years now as the stage manager, and for this particular performance, as a microphone monitor and host because why the heck not. Please cuddle up on your couch and enjoy our show!!

Cameron Hodson*

Howdy, My name is Cameron Hodson and I play Lucas, and Cameron in this digital masterpiece. My senior year was unfortunately cut short, but I will never forget the two years of this club. I wish that I started acting and being in shows earlier. I am leaving high school and going to SUNY Canton for Engineering. I will always keep acting and theatre in my life because it really brings joy to my life and I'm happy I ever took the leap to try out. If there is any desire to act... Just do it - you will love it!

Holly Indelicato

I'm Holly Indelicato and I really enjoy being a part of drama club. I started doing it last fall and it was one of the best experiences I've ever had. I am really grateful for the opportunity to be in this show during this time we have in quarantine. I am looking forward to next fall when we can all be in person performing together:)

Ida Kavanagh

My name is Ida Kavanagh and I play Reagan and Ashley. I am a sophomore and this is my fourth drama club show. I am very excited for everyone to see the show and hope you all enjoy it!

Abigail Lentini

Hello! My name is Abigail Lentini, and I am a junior. I play Josie and Anna in the show. This is my sixth drama club show and I'm so happy to be a part of it. My dog Bentley also stars in the show as well! I'm so grateful for the opportunity to stay connected with my friends and this club during this pandemic. I hope everyone stays safe during these hard times and I hope our show can bring you some joy.

Kaitlyn Maywalt

Hello everyone, my name is Kaitlyn Maywalt. This is my third show with Mr. Fisselbrand and the rest of the drama club. We have all gone out of our comfort zones and everything we're used to so we can bring you *10 Ways to Survive a Quarantine*. I hope you all enjoy our show in the very strange conditions, and just remember we're all in this together!! Stay safe and enjoy 10 ways to survive a quarantine.

Grace Moskov

My name is Grace Moskov and I'm a junior at Auburn High School. I've been doing drama club for all three years that I've been here, and for two of those years I participated in writing for Ten Minute Mania. I hope you enjoy the show we've put together!

Lauren Murphy

Hi everyone! I'm Lauren Murphy and I'm currently a junior. My plans for after high school are to major in psychology. This is my fifth play with Mr. Fiss. And thanks to the hard work of Mr. Fisselbrand and the rest of the cast, I'm glad we got to actually perform it during these strange times. My partner in my photo is my 3 year old Doberman mix, Dax. I hope you enjoy our production of *10 Ways to survive life being in a Quarantine*.

Mary Nila

Mary is a sophomore at Google Classroom. She is deeply saddened that the drama club was unable to do their spring production, but is very grateful that Mr. Fisselbrand found them this opportunity. She is very excited for everyone to see *10 Ways to Survive Life in a Quarantine* and she hopes you enjoy!

Jane Oliver

Jane Oliver is a Junior at Auburn High school and has been a member of the drama club throughout her entire high school career. Through the drama club she has written and directed 2 plays, along with Abigail Lentini, that have been sent to Oswego Drama Fest. During the fall, Jane had the honor of playing Lady Macbeth in the school's production of "Outrageous Fortune". In this spring's online show, Jane will be playing Sahra, a girl who has decided to spend quarantine recreating Shakespeare with stuffed animals, and Anya, a girl who is describing the tragedy of losing her phone. Jane hopes you all enjoy the show and are having a happy, healthy, and safe quarantine.

Marissa Smith*

This is Marissa Smith. She's been doing drama club since she was a freshman at AHS and now the last show has crept upon her as well as the other seniors. Marissa's been doing theatre since she was 5 from Auburn Public Theatre to Hope and Harmony theatre programs. Marissa wants to thank everyone in drama club, she's going to miss you all terribly next year!

Donovan Tanner*

I'm Donovan Tanner, I am currently in 12th grade and have been involved with drama club for all four years of my high school career. It is a club that introduces students to incredible friends and experiences. I am so happy and thankful to be a part of this club: it has been loads of fun. I want to thank everyone that has been a part of this club for making high school manageable and fun.

Francesca Vitale

Francesca Vitale is currently a junior at Auburn High school and has been a member of this amazing family since her freshman year. This year she decided that she wanted to take on a bigger task in the drama club and was nominated to become the treasurer where she came up with a new way to bring money into our club. Throughout the years she has participated in a multitude of shows and has loved every second of it. In this production of "10 Ways to Survive Life in a Quarantine", Francesca will be playing Bryn, a girl who has fallen in love with the inanimate object of her lamp, Sir Lamp. She will also be playing the role of Jolene, who is showing you how not to be stressed in quarantine by doing origami. Francesca wants to thank everyone in this production for all of their hard work and hopes that you remain healthy and safe in quarantine!

Grace Wiseman

I'm Grace Wiseman and I am in 11th and have been doing Drama club for 3 years and even though we couldn't have a in person spring show I'm happy with our virtual show and I hope you are too!

I would like to thank a bunch of people for their help putting this all together: Mr. Morgan for buying into my vision, Mrs. Hlwya for getting us the rights, Tom Bunn and especially Jeremy Vevone for helping me navigate this technology, Deb Leone for helping get the information on the school website and Auburn Public Theater for buying into our vision.

Auburn Public Theater has supported AHS Drama Club for so many years. When things do go back to normal, please consider spending some time there. It truly is an asset to the community.

About Auburn Public Theater

As a not-for-profit arts center, our goal is to bring you in for a performance and leave you with something to talk about, laugh about, hum on your way home, share with friends.

We present shows for grown-ups, with café and bar to keep the crowd mingling: shows on the big screen, from blockbusters to award-winning independent films and documentaries, shows for kids, with plenty of audience participation and shows for families, making memories together.

Since our doors opened in 2005, we've welcomed more than 80,000 enthusiastic patrons and talented performers to experience Auburn Public Theater. Year-round programming in our multi-space venue has brought new life to downtown Auburn.

To us, it's proof that the arts are an economic and cultural engine for a vital, connected community.

Our Mission

Auburn Public Theater is an intimate, publicly accessible and affordable theater space in downtown Auburn, New York, that challenges and educates our community and fosters creative growth through shared performance experiences.

Our Vision

By providing an excellent performance space for local and visiting artists, Auburn Public Theater will make art a common experience in downtown Auburn and be recognized as a cultural, economic and social asset for the greater Auburn community.