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Famous play author, Lloyd Schwartz, attends the Minnesota Debut of Gilligan's Island: the Musical

Hutchinson, MN will be honoring a highly-accomplished celebrity, Lloyd J. Schwartz, on November 7 when he and his wife, Barbara Mallory, attend the Minnesota debut of "Gilligan's Island: the Musical" theatre production. This live dinner theatre play is presented by Hutchinson Theatre Company and directed by Jim Fahey. The production has 6 shows running November 6, 7, 8 & 13, 14, 15.

Cast members are:

Gilligan: Tyler (Chuck) Peterson
The Skipper: Bill Haas
The Millionaire (Howell): Jeff Bennin
The Millionaire's wife (Lovey): Kathy Hanneman
The Movie Star (Ginger): Rhoda Hubbard Anderson
The Professor: Daryl Patrick
Mary Ann: Maia Coyle
Alien: Lori Thul

Tickets are available on-line at www.hutchtheatre.org or at Downtown Clothing store, located at Downtown Clothing (228 Main St, Hutchinson), Clay Coyote Gallery (17614 240th St., Hutchinson), or by phone 320-587-2599.

A special "Meet the Author" event is planned on Nov. 7 to pay tribute to Lloyd J. Schwartz following the Gilligan's Island: the Musical show at a local restaurant, Zella's. Reservations are required to attend this event and can be acquired through the Hutchinson Theatre Co's website – News & Events page: <http://hutchtheatre.org/NewsEvents.cfm>.

A bit about Lloyd Schwartz:

Lloyd and his father, Sherwood Schwartz, are one of the only father-son producing teams in television. At age 25, he was the youngest producer in network television.

Lloyd was involved with popular TV series like; Gilligan's Island, and The Brady Bunch. He advanced to become a network executive at ABC and supervised four of the top five shows in the country: Happy Days, Laverne and Shirley, What's Happening!! and Three's Company. He also wrote episodes for other popular TV series, including; The A Team, Alice, and Baywatch.

During the years, Lloyd's professions included director, producer, writer, music composer, and acting. Lloyd was co-writer and executive producer of three Gilligan's Island TV movies and all The Brady Bunch movies. He holds two awards with TV Land – Pop Culture, and received a nomination in Daytime Emmy Award for "Still Brady After All These Years, the 35th Anniversary" special.

Lloyd and Sherwood wrote Gilligan's Island: The Musical for the stage which has had forty productions nationally and internationally and will begin a national tour in 2009. Words and music are by his sister, Hope Juber, and Laurence Juber. The brother-sister team frequently worked together.

Lloyd has had 32 produced plays ranging from comedy, historical, and educational. Some earning award recognition.

Twenty-three years ago, he and his wife, Barbara, co-founded The Storybook Theatre of Los Angeles and has written, composed, and/or directed all 17 of their original productions. He and his wife have been honored by the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the City of Los Angeles for their contributions to the youth of Los Angeles.

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