



PROFESSIONALS WEEKEND GUIDE

SCHEDULE

Friday, December 13th, 2024

5:00 PM | Festival Registration / Check-in Opens | Main Lobby

6:00 PM | Kick-Off Cocktail Party | Alice Center

7:30 PM | *Broken Eggs* - Musical Reading | Owen Theatre

9:30 PM | Post Show Salon | Alice Center

Saturday, December 14th, 2024

9:00 AM | Festival Registration / Check-in | Lobby

10:00 AM | *Ashland Avenue* - Staged Reading | Owen Theatre

12:00 PM | Industry Lunch with Breakout Rooms | Alice Center

2:00 PM | *George Washington's Mexican Birthday* - Staged Reading | Owen Theatre

7:30 PM | *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* - Staged Reading | Owen Theatre

Sunday, December 15th, 2024

9:30 AM | New Stages Panel Discussion | Alice Rotunda

10:30 AM | Professionals Breakfast | Alice Lab 2

11:30 AM | *Blood Memory* - Staged Reading | Owen Theatre

USEFUL INFORMATION

*Welcome to the Goodman Theatre and the 2024 New Stages Festival Professionals Weekend!
Please read below for useful information that will help you get the most out of your weekend.*

TICKETS

Should you lose your tickets, the Goodman Theatre Box Office can issue reprints. Simply give the Box Office attendant your name and identify yourself as a Professionals Weekend attendee.

All performances and readings will take place in the **Owen Theatre**. These performances are general admission and open to the public. We anticipate a busy house and encourage you to arrive at the theatre early. **Please be sure to claim a seat at least 5 minutes prior to curtain.**

NAME BADGES

Please keep your festival badge with you for the entirety of Professionals Weekend. Your name badge will allow you access to **free water, coffee and tea, along with half-priced soft drinks, beer, wine, cocktails and snacks** at all Goodman lobby bars throughout the weekend.

GUEST SERVICES

Our Guest Services staff will assist you with questions and help you navigate the Goodman and the surrounding area. Guest Services staff are located at the information desk and can be found immediately as you enter the first-floor lobby.

FOOD & DRINK

QUICK BITES

Quick places for food and drinks within a 10-minute walk:

- **7 Eleven:** [200 N Dearborn St.](#)
- **Dunkin' Donuts:** [27 W Lake St.](#)
- **Potbelly Sandwiches:** [190 N State St.](#)
- **Subway:** [29 W Lake St.](#)
- **Walgreens:** [151 N State St.](#)
- **Wow Bao:** [1 W Wacker Dr.](#) (entrance is on the corner of State and Lake)
- **Sweetgreen:** [1 N Dearborn St.](#)
- **Chipotle:** [8 E Madison St.](#)
- **Roti, Modern Mediterranean:** [33 N Dearborn St.](#)
- **Mammoth Poke & Ramen:** [53 E Lake St.](#)
- **Urbanspace:** [14 W Washington St.](#)
- **Christkindlmarket:** German Christmas Market. Fresh pretzels, bratwurst, vegan currywurst, and hot spiced wine, as well as ornaments, crafts and gifts. [50 W Washington St.](#)

RESTAURANTS NEARBY

During the Holiday Season these restaurants can be very busy. We recommend making a reservation in advance, if you are able.

- **Petterino's:** Next door to the Goodman Theatre (show your Goodman badge for a discount). An eclectic menu with everything from steaks to seafood to classics. [150 N Dearborn St](#)
- **The Florentine:** Located on the second floor of the JW Marriott. Showcases modern, seasonal Italian cuisine, in a warm, inviting environment. [151 W Adams St](#)
- **STK Steakhouse:** Artfully blends a modern steakhouse and chic lounge for a unique asana vibe-driven dining experience. [9 Kinzie St](#)
- **The Dearborn:** Enjoy Chef Aaron Cuschieri's Midwest-focused cooking, with a twist on sophisticated classics. [145 N Dearborn St.](#)
- **Tortoise Supper Club:** A Metropolitan Supper Club featuring steaks, chops and fresh seafood from Chef Aaron Browning's Made from Scratch Kitchen. [350 N State St](#)
- **Restaurants in the Loop**
- **List of Chicago Restaurants**

LATE-NIGHT OPTIONS

- **The Dearborn** (open until midnight): Enjoy Chef Aaron Cuschieri's Midwest-focused cooking, with a twist on sophisticated classics. [145 N Dearborn St.](#)
- **Emerald Loop Bar & Grill** (open until 2:00am - show your Goodman badge for a discount): Neighborhood Irish bar located in the Chicago Loop, steps away from the Chicago Riverwalk, with great food, craft beer and cocktails. [216 N Wabash Ave.](#)
- **Elephant & Castle** (open until 2:00am): Chain with a British pub feel serving beers on tap & classic fare, such as fish 'n' chips. [185 N Wabash Ave.](#)
- **State and Lake Chicago Tavern** (open until midnight): Stylish hotel restaurant with pub-style bar serving craft beer, an American wine list and cocktails. [201 N State St.](#)
- **Flight Club Chicago** (open until midnight): Entertainment venue featuring Social Darts with digital scoring, casual bite and a full bar. [111 W Wacker Dr.](#)

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INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS

GREG ALLEN

Director & Playwright

ALEXANDER ATTEA

Avalanche Theatre; Artistic Director

MICHAEL BARAKIVA

Cleveland Play House; Artistic Director

MELIA BENSUSSEN

Hartford Stage; Artistic Director

KAT BLADE

Casting Producer

BRANNON BOWERS

Creative Producer

MARISA CARR

Playwright

SYDNEY CHATMAN

Fly Black Girl Education & Theatre; Director, Producer, Artistic Director

DILLON CHITTO

Playwright

KARA DAVIDSON

Paramount Theatre; Director of New Works

SANDRA DELGADO

Playwright

RICK EDINGER

Carnegie Mellon University School of Drama; Chair of Acting & Music Theater

ROBERT FALLS

Director

MIKE FISCHER

Forward Theater; Literary Manager

KIRSTEN FITZGERALD

A Red Orchid Theatre; Artistic Director

ROBERT BARRY FLEMING

Actors Theatre of Louisville; Executive Artistic Director

BRYNNE FRAUENHOFFER

Playwright

ALEXANDER GEMIGNANI

American Music Theatre Project, Artistic Director; Actor, Music Director

TATIANA GODFREY

Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park; Literary Manager

CRUZ GONZALEZ-CADEL

Teatro Vista Productions; Managing Director

JONATHAN L. GREEN

Steppenwolf Theatre; Director of New Play Development

SAM HURWITZ

Theatremaker

FELICITY JIN

HALENA KAYS

University of Michigan; Head of Directing

BOBBY KENNEDY

Writers Theatre; Director of Artistic Development

JARRETT KING

Playwright

MOSHE KRUGER

CORI LANG

Production Assistant

MICHAEL LLUBERES

Flint Repertory Theatre; Producing Artistic Director

MATT LUNT

Bramble Theatre Co.; Co-Founder

JESÚS MACARENA AVILA

Columbia College; Community Artist

PAULETTE MAHER

Chicago Shakespeare Theater; Guest Service Associate

TARA MALLEN

Rivendell Theatre Ensemble; Artistic Director

NAT MARTINEZ-WHITE

Playwright & Dramaturg

JOY MEADS

American Conservatory Theater; Director of Dramaturgy and New Works

MALLORY METOXEN

Seven Devils New Play Foundry; Co-Artistic Director

BRADLEY MICHALAKIS
Alley Theatre; Head of Dramaturgy

KARISSA MURRELL MYERS
Bramble Theatre Company; Artistic Director

KESTUTIS NAKAS
Playwright

CAROLINE NORTON
Next Act Theatre; Administrative/Artistic Manager

ERIN ORTMAN
Director

ANA ORTIZ-MONASTERIO DRAA
Actor

CAMILLE OSWALD
Court Theatre; Associate Director of Marketing

MARIANA PAREJO MOLINARES
Northwestern University; Director

CHRISTOPHER PAZDERNIK
Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre; Producing Director

ANNIKA PEREZ-KRIKORIAN
Milwaukee Rep; Associate Artistic Producer

GABBY RANDLE-BENT
Court Theatre; Interim Artistic Director

KAREN RICHMAN
University of Notre Dame; Professor

SETH ROSEMAN
Director

PETER RUIZ
A Red Orchid Theatre; Literary Coordinator

J. ISABEL SALAZAR

American Writers Museum; Playwright, Dramaturg, & Creative Collaborator

NICOLE SAMSEL

Flint Repertory Theatre; Managing Director

TERESA SAPIEN

Arena Stage; Associate Artistic Director

SARA K. SCHNEIDER

The Human Journey; Director/Dramaturg

CREG SCLAVI

Paramount Theatre; Artistic Associate & Marketing Liaison

LEXI SILVA

PlayMakers Repertory Company; Literary Associate

ZOE SJGERMAN

Avalanche Theatre; Executive Director

ELIZABETH SWANSON

Director, Playwright

ALEJANDRO TEY

Mixed Blood Theatre; Associate Artistic Director

JENNIFER THOMPSON

Playwright

EDDIE TORRES

Director

CAROLINE MICHELE UY

Stage Manager & New Work Developer

BAILEY WEGNER

Renaissance Theaterworks; Production Manager

PHYLLIS WEZEMAN

South Bend Civic Theatre

LUCY ZUKAITIS
Actor

GOODMAN 2024-25 NEW STAGES RESIDENTS

SATYA CHÁVEZ
New Stages Resident Playwright & Composer

NJ DRAINE
New Stages Resident Playwright & Composer

TERRY GUEST
New Stages Resident Playwright

KRYSTAL ORTIZ
New Stages Resident Playwright

ABBAS SALEM
New Stages Resident Playwright

GOODMAN STAFF

SUSAN BOOTH
Artistic Director

KAT ZUKAITIS
New Stages Festival Director
Director of New Works

NEENA ARNDT
Literary Manager & Dramaturg

LENA ROMANO
BOLD Producing Associate

ADAM BELCUORE
Managing Producer

MALKIA STAMPLEY
BOLD Artistic Producer

LAUREN PORT
Casting Director

SIERRA REYNOLDS
Casting Assistant

GRACE DOLEZAL-NG
Casting Coordinator

EMI SUAREZ
Artistic Coordinator

TOR CAMPBELL
Northwestern Directing Fellow

RAQUEL TORRE
Maggio Directing Fellow

JARED BELLOT
Walter Director of Education and Engagement

TYRA BULLOCK
Associate Director of Education

DEMI SMITH
Associate Director of Engagement

CARLO ZENNER
Community Programs Manager

ANNA ROGELIO JOAQUIN
School Programs Manager

CLARA ZUCKER
Literary and Dramaturgy Intern

GOODMAN TRUSTEE, NEW WORK COMMITTEE

KRISTIN ANDERSON-SCHEWE

ELIZABETH BALTHROP

LINDA COBERLY

RICHARD COPANS

KATHLEEN COWIE

PATRICIA COX

REBECCA FORD

SUZETTE GRAFF DEWEY

HARRY HARCZAK

JEFFREY HESSE

EVA LOSACCO

AMALIA MAHONEY

CRAIG MCCAWE

CATHERINE MOULY

CAROL PRINS

ELIZABETH RAYMOND

ALICE SABL

GENEIEVE THIERS

ANN VAN WART

RANDY WHITE

SUSAN WISLOW

EUGENE ZEFFREN

