

*In memory of*



**Chester Dumbrosky**

April 1, 1929 - February 5, 2005

*Devoted Husband, Father and Grandfather*

*Hollerback Funeral Home*



## Obituary

Chester Dumbrosky Sr., 75, of Holyoke, MA, died peacefully on February 5, 2005. He was born in Chicago on April 1, 1929, to Gus and Thelma Dumbrosky. Chester attended St. Mary's Catholic School and studied Biology at the University of Chicago before marrying his wife, Florence. The couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last March. Chester proudly served his country in the United States Naval Reserve. He was preceded in death by his parents and older sister, Emma Slackerbee. He is survived by his wife Florence, and children Chet Jr. Dumbrosky, Steven Dumbrosky and his wife Anna, Patti Dumbrosky, Debby Dumbrosky, and Matthew Dumbrosky. Chester was the proud grandfather of Michael Dumbrosky, Jack Dumbrosky and Eva Dumbrosky. In lieu of flowers donations to Generic Theater would be greatly appreciated.







February 9-25, 2024  
The Generic Theater  
PRESENTS

*Seven Venues*

# THE VIEWING ROOM



By Mark Edward Smith

## Featuring

Aldrian Argante  
Bruce Hermans  
Missy Sullivan  
Kiyante Malik

Ash O'Leary  
Jadyn Espy  
Dave Hobbs  
Victoria Blake

Stage Manager  
Kylie Collier

Assistant Director  
Erin Andrews

Asst Stage Manager  
Kacy McBride

Set Design  
Sandra Epperson

Costumers  
Anne Ward & Jake Pruitt

Lighting Design  
Dillon Bates

Directed By  
TREY DELPO

Producers  
Julianne Baker & Brad Breckenridge







## *From the Director*

Families are one of the few things that many of us can simultaneously love and loathe. Seeing cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends that you haven't seen in months or years brings a joy that is often hard to find elsewhere. However, there's always that one uncle that brings up politics a little too often, or that aunt that decided to arrive a few hours late and stays way past everyone else. Or even the cousin that always tries to butt in to every conversation. That loving joy that you felt originally can shift to a longing for the last family member to leave the house pretty quickly.



The old adage "you can pick your friends, but you can't pick your family," rings too true for many. Even though we can't pick our family, something that is nearly universal is the love that a family shares. Most parents just want what is best for their kids. Some parents just struggle with being able to express that in ways their kids understand. Siblings will always love one another, but that doesn't mean that we don't annoy each other to no end. The annoying pushing and prodding that families do to each other always comes from a place of love, even when it's hard to see it that way.

The Dumbroskys are just like any other family. They fight, they bicker, and they love each other. The love is sometimes not always apparent. I hope that as you are watching our production this evening, you are reminded of the both the love and loathing that your family can bring you.





## *Production Crew*

Director ..... Trey Delpo  
 Stage Manager ..... Kylie Collier  
 Assistant Stage Manager ..... Kacy McBride  
 Assistant Director ..... Erin Andrews  
 Set Design ..... Sandra Epperson  
 Lighting Design..... Dillon Bates  
 Costumers ..... Anne Ward, Jake Pruitt  
 Hair/Makeup ..... Meadow Schmitt  
 Box Office Manager ..... Kyle Brown  
 Assistant Box Office Manager..... Kamryn Wheeler  
 Producers ..... Julianne Baker, Brad Breckenridge

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 Jason Baker, TréVeon Porchia

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 Sue Collins, Cindy Conca, Erwin Farrow, Ebony Greaux,  
 Diane Kaidel, Cheryl Landreth, Wren Lamey, Shawn Nowek,  
 Janece Sample-Sealy, Jose Torres Jr., Anne Ward

## Set Build & Production Preparation

Julianne Baker, Gail Bergstrom, Deborah Brown, Kyle Brown,  
 Chelsea Dickenson, Wina Giddens, Dave Hobbs, Alex McAfee, Nathan McAfee,  
 Abigail McLendon, Douglas Newton, Shawn Nowek, Jake Pruitt, Malachi  
 Stanley, Thomas Trumbauer Jr., Tom Trumbauer Sr., Jonny Vick, Anne Ward,  
 Kamryn Wheeler, Logan Wheeler, Rebecca Woodson

## Special Thanks

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Michael Regan for our organ music







# Chester Dumbrosky

4/1/1929 - 2/5/2005

## Bruce Hermans



Bruce is a new Tidewater resident having moved from Dallas this past year with his wife Christine. He is grateful for the chance to be a part of his first Generic Theatre production. After receiving his MFA in Theatre studying under a Hallmark Foundation grant, he pursued a career as an Actor, Director, and Designer. A former AEA and SAG actor, he has appeared in many commercials, a handful of movies, and dozens of theatre shows including his last two roles in LTVB's recent productions of "A Gentleman's Guide" and "The Orient Express". Bruce previously enjoyed a 15-year career in education as a HS Theatre teacher and Principal. Currently he works in the Executive Search industry.

## Survived By

### Beloved Wife, Florance "Flo" Dumbrosky Missy Sullivan



Missy is excited to be back at Generic after a long absence. Previous shows include Peninsula Community Theater's *Sounds of the Seasons* and *A Broadway Celebration* as the emcee (Carol Ann KaNIPPLE) as well as *The Great American Trailer Park Musical* (Linoleum) and various roles in *The Laramie Project*. Favorite roles include 'Grandma Addams' in *The Addams Family*, 'Violet' in *9 to 5* at LTN and 'Mrs. Meers' in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* at Smithfield Little Theatre. When not acting she is a high school teacher in VA Beach, an adjunct professor at UVA and TCC, and President Elect of the VA Gifted Association. Missy would like to thank Trey and his amazing team for their hard work. As always Missy wants to send love to her mom who has been sitting in her audiences since middle school.

### Estranged Oldest Son, Chester "Chet Jr." Dumbrosky, Jr. Dave Hobbs



Dave has been performing professionally since he retired from the U. S. Navy. He graduated from Old Dominion University with a BA degree in Theater. He has appeared locally in several productions, including *The Wedding Singer* and *White Guy On the Bus*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Don't Dress For Dinner* and *Best Little Whorehouse In Texas*. Thanks to a wonderfully supportive wife, Lori, for allowing me to do what I love!

### Beloved Son, Steven Dumbrosky Kiyante Malik



Kiyante was born & raised in Norfolk, VA. Educated at Virginia Commonwealth University, he has worked in independent and short films. Kiyante returns to Generic after playing the role of Frank Charles in *Flyin' West* earlier this season. A writer himself, his portfolio includes multiple screenplays and poems.





## Survived By

### **Beloved Daughter, Patty Dumbrosky**

#### **Ash O'Leary**



Ash has a theatre degree from Regent University where they played roles like Mary Hatch in *It's a Wonderful Life*, and Margaret Dearth in *Dear Brutus*, among others. Since then they've had the pleasure of performing at Virginia Stage Company with Community Works, Zeider's, and multiple shows at Little Theatre of Norfolk and Little Theatre of Virginia Beach. They have also had the pleasure of playing a few local short films. Ash is excited and honored to take part in *The Viewing Room* as their Generic Theater debut and hopes you have as much fun watching as they did in performing this hilarious and heartwarming story. They want to say thank you for the opportunity to work with such a wonderful director, cast, and crew. They'd also like to thank their amazingly supportive and encouraging partner, Sam.

### **Youngest Daughter, Debby Dumbrosky**

#### **Jadyn Espy**



Jadyn is excited to participate in her very first Generic Theater production. As she attends Princess Anne High School, you can find her acting and directing in her classes. Jadyn is most proud of her growth with acting and theater having recently started the pursuit just three years ago. She would like to thank her parents for the infinite support and car rides, along with her theater teacher, Julieta Skylar Grey for the knowledge and experience that she has passed down to her.

### **Youngest Son, Matthew Dumbrosky**

#### **Aldrian Argante**



Aldrian is very excited to be performing in his first show with Generic! He recently graduated from the University of Virginia with a BS in Architecture and a BA in Music. There, he pursued theatre extracurricularly, performing and directing shows in the drama department and multiple student organizations. He would like to thank the cast and crew for an engaging, fun process!

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## *Hollerback Funeral Home Director*

### **Jay Hollerback, Funeral Director**

#### **Victoria Blake**



Victoria is happy to return to Generic after her performance last year in *Curious Incident*. In film, she can be seen acting opposite Chadwick Boseman in *The Kill Hole* and with Ariana DeBose in *Seaside*. TV credits include *Portlandia* ("Shville") and *The Librarians* ("And the Echoes of Memory"). Victoria has won Best Supporting Actress awards for her roles in *To Kill A Mockingbird* (Public Playhouse, Portland, OR), *The Vagina Monologues* (ODU), and *Pterodactyls* (Generic Theater).





## Meet the Crew

### Erin Andrews – Assistant Director

Erin is a North Carolina native currently studying music and theatre at Virginia Wesleyan University, where she has been involved in a number of plays and musicals. Her most recent production credits include assistant director and stage manager for *Eurydice* and *Airness* (VWU). Grateful to the team at Generic for this opportunity. Thanks to Mom, Dad, Ava, and Sarah Ruth for your endless love and support.

### Dillon Bates – Lighting Design

Dillon is participating in his 6th production with Generic. Excited to work with Trey and some familiar faces once again. UMaine Theatre. Love to Luca, Evangeline, and Maxwell.

### Kylie Collier – Stage Manager

Kylie is stage managing for the first time after being the Assistant Stage Manager for other Generic productions *Sweat* and *The Effect* as well as for Peninsula Community Theater's production of *Dead Man's Cell Phone*. Now she's excited to be working with yet another amazing cast! She can't wait for you all to enjoy this show.

### Trey Delo – Director

Trey is incredibly excited to be back with Generic Theater for *The Viewing Room*. He has worked in a variety of production roles for Virginia Wesleyan University, Bowling Green State University, Spotlight Productions, Netflix, and HBO. His recent credits include Director of *The Effect* (2023) and Technical Director for Virginia Wesleyan University's productions of *Eurydice* (2023), and *Cabaret* (2022).

### Sandra Epperson – Set Design

Sandra has designed sets for *Dracula* at the Little Theatre of Virginia Beach and for *Flyin' West* here at Generic Theater. She created designs for many productions in North Carolina community and educational theatres in Southern Pines, Marion, Burlington, and High Point. Her most memorable designs were for *Les Misérables: Student Edition* and *Annie Get Your Gun* inside the Fair Barn in Pinehurst, NC. Working with the talented, committed, and gracious people who populate Generic Theater has been a pleasure and a privilege.

### Kacy McBride – Assistant Stage Manager

Kacy is excited to be back at Generic as Assistant Stage Manager for *The Viewing Room*. She's so excited to be working with such an amazing, amazing cast and production team. A huge thanks to Trey and Julianne for this wonderful opportunity!

### Jake Pruitt – Costume Design

Jake is excited to be back working at Generic for another show, with this being his very first foray into costuming. He normally can be found running tech and trying very hard to not be seen at most Generic productions.

### Anne Ward – Costume Design

As a recent PNW transplant, Anne has found a volunteer "family" at Generic Theater. She is enjoying the opportunity to try her hand at all sorts of behind-the-scenes theater work at Generic. *The Viewing Room* is her first time co-costuming a show. She also has fun baking for the hardworking volunteer crew.





## Message from the Board

Welcome to this terrific production of ***The Viewing Room***.

As we are winding down this season and are pleased to be announcing our shows for the 2024-2025 season, we invite you to join us as we prepare for even more exciting growth and expansion. And you certainly do not want to miss the finale of our main stage season, ***Indecent***, a powerful, moving drama. In August, we will resurrect our annual summer juried offering, **New Plays for Dog Days**, in partnership with The Muse. Stay tuned for details.

Our nominating committee is soliciting new members to fill out our Board and committees. We need folks who are interested in helping us develop our capital campaign to take our new home search to the next level. An attorney with non-profit experience would be a most welcome addition to our family of dedicated volunteers. We are also in need of someone with background and experience who is willing to take on the responsibilities of General Producer for our upcoming season. We have been blessed by a most generous donor who has earmarked their gift to allow us to offer a small salary to compensate a General Producer for this part-time position.

Again, we offer a most sincere appreciation for the generosity of our patrons who have remembered us in their advanced planning and provided us with financial support without which we could not continue to bring these creative and thought-provoking scripts to life.

Our grantors have also been exceptionally generous to us. We are eternally grateful for their long-term support which has sustained us through some very difficult, dark times, especially during the Pandemic when arts organizations around the world fell victim to darkened stages and empty houses.

We invite you to enjoy the newest offerings of beer and wine at our concession stand. Enjoy the show; share your enthusiasm with your friends and neighbors and we look forward to seeing each of you at ***Indecent***.

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**Bones and All**  
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Friday, February 23  
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**Randy Rainbow**  
**For President**  
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