

# N\*VA NIGHTSKY THEATER



By A. R. Gurney

Directed by Ward Kay

JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 14

# DIRECTOR'S NOTE

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Dogs are a wonderful thing. When everything else is going wrong with your life, a dog will give you unconditional love. You are a God to them.

On the other hand, a dog is like a 2-year-old child who stays that age forever. They demand time and attention. You have to plan your day around when you can feed them, take them for a walk, and do their biological business.

Sylvia is a play about a dog. But not really. It is a play about a 22-year-old marriage, the changes that come when the kids have left and how to deal with these changes. I hope you have as much fun with Sylvia as we do.

-Ward Kay

# ALL ABOUT THAT BENCH

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This bench has been a steadfast stage companion through eight Nova Nightsky Theater productions. She made her debut in our very first show, *Picnic*, and has since graced *Proof*, *As You Like It*, *The American Plan*, *After the Storm*, *Collapse*, and *The Ghosts of Us*.

After all that, we felt she deserved her own bio in the program—especially considering everything she endures in *Sylvia*.







# SETTING

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**TIME:** The 1990s

**PLACE:** New York, NY

# FEATURING

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**SYLVIA**

Jaclyn Robertson

**GREG**

Tristan Poje

**KATE**

Leanna Saler

**TOM**

Kyle Mullins

**PHYLLIS**

Jennifer Greene

**LESLIE**

Pilar Bruyere



# TECH & CREATIVE TEAM

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DIRECTOR	Ward Kay
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	Scott Stofko
STAGE MANAGER	Hannah Ruth Blackwell
SCENIC DESIGN	Adam Ressa
BOARD OPERATORS	Alex Eagle
	Tom Flatt
	Adam Ressa
	Bob Rosenberg
	Hannah Ruth Blackwell
INTIMACY & CHOREOGRAPHY	Fosse Thornton
PROPS	Cast & Crew
COSTUMES	Cast & Crew
SYLVIA'S HAIR	Kinsey Robertson
PHOTOGRAPHY	Chip Gertzog
WEB MASTER	Nate Eagle
LOGO DESIGN	Adam Ressa
PUBLICITY	Jaclyn Robertson

## TECHNICAL CREW

Sarah Baczewski  
Hannah Ruth Blackwell  
Mickey Butler  
Alex Eagle  
Nate Eagle  
April Everett  
Jennifer Greene  
Mike Kroboth  
Kyle Mullins  
Bob Rosenberg  
Adam Ressa  
Jaclyn Robertson  
Elyse R. Smith  
Scott Stofko



**READ CAST AND CREW BIOS ON**  
**ABOUT THE ARTISTS**

# NOVA NIGHTSKY LEADERSHIP

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PRODUCING  
DIRECTOR

Jaclyn Robertson

ARTISTIC  
DIRECTOR

Sarah Baczewski

DESIGN & TECHNICAL  
DIRECTOR

Adam Ressa

ADMINISTRATIVE  
DIRECTOR

Elyse R. Smith

## COMPANY MEMBERS

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JACLYN ROBERTSON  
HANNAH RUTH BLACKWELL

ELYSE R. SMITH  
FOSSE THORNTON





# SPECIAL THANKS

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Susan Loyd, Pastor Yena Hwang, the entire  
Falls Church Presbyterian Church Family,  
Reston Community Players, Ilyana Rose-Dávila, Alexander  
Jacocks, Vintage Computer Federation,  
Phoebe Wellons (who is such a good girl)

Our friends, families, and loved ones for allowing us  
to make the art we love.

# ABOUT US

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NOVA Nightsky Theater was founded in late summer of 2021 by actor/producer Jaclyn Robertson and playwright/director Ward Kay. Both had worked in the local theater scene for years but wanted to bring something a little different to the community. While our first show was performed outdoors in the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have performed productions in all different types of venues, aligning with our mission of producing theater in unconventional spaces. Unlike other community theater companies that rely on grants or donations to operate, we rely on ticket sales to produce our shows. As such, we maintain tight budgets and create shows utilizing the amazing talents of our company members and casts.

100% of your ticket purchase goes into our company. Please consider joining us for future shows so we can continue to thrive.