

*“Through all the world there goes one  
long cry from the heart of the artist:  
Give me a chance to do my best.”*

*~Isak Dinesen, Babette’s Feast*

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Fall 2019

**Jeff Daniels**  
*Founder*

Dear Patron,

**Steven K. Hamp**  
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The chance to do one’s best. Who knew a chance remark would lead to a lifetime of those chances?

**Peter Feeney**  
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My husband and I moved here with our toddler son from Seattle in 1994, thinking we’d stay for two years. I thought my life as an actress was over; after all, we were in the proverbial middle of nowhere.

**David Ligotti**  
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Thanks to a chance remark, I saw a preview performance of Apartment 3A, by Jeff Daniels. I was blown away.

**Craig Common**  
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I knew what I was looking at — I’d lived and worked in New York, San Diego, Seattle; I was quite used to seeing world-class theatre in the United States and Europe—and here I was, in a tiny little theatre in a tiny little town...seeing what I was seeing.

**Peter Brown**

25 years later, I still choose to be here. I’ve had numerous offers — do a show in New York or Philadelphia? Nope. Teach at prestigious universities? Nope. I choose The Purple Rose Theatre Company, every time.

**Charles Craves**

**Philip J. Curtis**

Why the Purple Rose? Here, thanks to Jeff and Guy, everyone in this beautiful building — Katie, Amy, Aubrey, the stage management team, Gary and the apprentices, Julia, Abby, every actor, director, writer, designer — all get the opportunity, every day, to do our very best.

**Charles Eisendrath**

**David Larsen**

We BUILD things here, together, from scratch. We have no blueprint for most of the plays we create here, we CREATE the blueprint for the rest of the world.

**Maria Leonhauser**

Your donation helps nurture artists through our educational programs, helps prepare the next generation of theatre professionals through our apprentice program, helps shape the future of American theatre as we continue to shape and develop new work.

**John Mann**

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Thank you for believing in us, for giving us the opportunity, the chance, to do our very best.

**John J.H. Schwarz, M.D.**

Sincerely,

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**Katie Hubbard**  
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