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The Last Night of Ballyhoo, Magic Circle Theatre

Review: Not great. It wasn't terrible, but it wasn't as stand out as the straight plays usually are at the Tower Theater. The cast seemed to not meld together very well. And the staging left alot to be desired. I will say that the mother and father were very very talented. The daughter played by Ashley Egenman was cast so perfectly. She truly understood her character and she kept in my seat. The debate to leave at intermission was strong. Joe was not cast well. He stood out like a sore thumb. I was disconnected from the story and was reminded constantly that i was "watching a play" because of him. The show may improve as the run continues. Not up to par for Magic Circle.

Review: This play was fantastic! As an avid theatre patron, I enthusiastically recommend this play for everyone. The director cast this play very well....the actors were complimentary and strong. The play was staged well and depicted the Jewish culture in 1939. The costumes were authentic and Lala's dress for Ballyhoo was well worth seeing.

Review: Congratulations to the director and the cast for a wonderfully staged play! The actors did a great job of embracing the audience which can be challenging in a theatre-in-the-round. They also brought their characters to life and made the play very entertaining. I loved how the play brought us a touch of history through family relationships. Also, the play was very funny.....I had a great time watching it!

Review: I thought this was a great show! Very entertaining, very good at attention to detail. I really loved the set pieces and the lighting was very sharp. The director did an amazing job! I thought "Joe" was the weakest part of this cast, and was very miscast. But the rest of the cast was very believable. I always enjoy a show Michelle is a part of. Congratulations on the show and the marriage!
- Elaine

Review: this show was well done. except for one part. JOE! i feel like he

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was the only character that i never fully believed. i was CONSTANTLY reminded that this was a play and not a story be unmasked before me. other than that it was good. ashley eigenmann was perfectly cast and kept the show interesting. the brother and sister were amazingly talented as well as the actors playing lala, the aunt, and sylvan. =]] great show. go see it.

Review: This play is a must see! The play was well cast....the actors playing Lala, Beulah, Reba and Uncle Adolph were excellent. Although I laughed throughout the play, I also learned about the Jewish culture and prejudices they encountered. You will not be disappointed with this play!!

Review: Wonderful, entertaining play! I truly believe this is one of the best plays at the Magic Circle Theatre. Last night was the closing play and it was a packed house. The audience laughed and cried during the play.....and they gave the cast a standing ovation. The actress playing Lala stole the show--the depth of her character was fantastic. The performances by the actors playing Boo, Uncle Adolph, Reba, and Peachy were also great.I enjoyed this play immensely.

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