

**For Immediate Release:**

**Astral Theatre Collective to Perform *Adventures in Santa Claus Land* at Alban Arts Center in St. Albans, WV**

Astral Theatre Collective would like to invite everyone this holiday season to attend a performance of their latest production *Adventures in Santa Claus Land*. The play was written by John Johnson, based on a short story from 1878 entitled *Lil's Travels in Santa Claus Land*. The play is directed by Kelly Strom and will be performed on the first two weekends of December at the Alban Arts Center.



**Synopsis:** Set in the early 1950s, the play centers around three children (Lily, Ella, and Jack) and their struggles as they face their first Christmas without their father. Trying to keep the magic alive for their little sister, the trio is whisked into a whimsical adventure to find the North Pole as described to them by their father. Along the way, they are met by sights and characters both familiar and unfamiliar before finally meeting Santa Claus himself. All the while, the children are taught a lesson about the importance of belief, hope, and faith. The audience is left with this question, “Do you believe?”

**About Astral Theatre Collective:** Astral Theatre Collective began in 2016, owned and operated by local actor/musician/writer John Johnson, with an emphasis on literary and historical stories. With a philosophy that focuses on entertaining, educating, and enriching audiences, the company has performed across West Virginia. Past performances include *Sherlock Holmes and the Beast of Whitechapel* (2016), *Carmilla* (2017), and *Wolf's Head: A Tale of Robin Hood and the Sheriff* (2018).

Astral Theatre Collective is currently booking performances of their popular *Experience R.M.S. Titanic* for their 2020 season. Astral Theatre Collective is based in St. Albans, West Virginia.

**Performances:** Astral Theatre Collective will be bringing *Adventures in Santa Claus Land* to the stage of the Alban Arts Center, located at 65 Olde Main Street, St. Albans, on December 6,7,13,14, 2019 at 8pm, and December 8 and 15, 2019, at 2pm. Tickets are \$15.00/\$10.00 for seniors and are available at both [www.astraltheatrecollective.com](http://www.astraltheatrecollective.com) and [www.albanartscenter.com](http://www.albanartscenter.com). School performances will take place on December 13, 2019 at 9am. Interested schools should contact Astral Theatre Collective.

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