

Closing (Theater and Galleries) Member Picks Recommended The Short List (Theater) Lost & Found: A Recycled Circus

This is a past event.

Lost & Found: A Recycled Circus

When: Fridays-Sundays. Continues through March 11 2012

Phone: 847-328-2795

Price: \$10-\$15

actorsgymnasium.com

This sweet, small circus combines performances by professional artists, a spirited ensemble of semiprofessional teens, and a gang of precocious child actors. In less expert hands it could've ended up a cloying, chaotic mess. But somehow director Larry DiStasi and his team of talented collaborators have woven these disparate elements into an energetic, entertaining, totally satisfying gallimaufry. The props by Bruce Rogers and Mike Sullivan and the costumes by Elizabeth Wislar are delightful. The teen acrobats are dazzling. David Caitlin is at once hilarious and moving as a technology-distracted dad, while the other adult performers—led by Lindsey Noel Whiting, Will Howard, and Chris Mathews—give the show a heartfelt through line. And the kids (all children of Lookingglass Theatre ensemble members) are total scene-stealers. —Jack Helbig

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