

## What's on stage: Theater and performance preview

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Actors Gymnasium's 'Circuscope'

Here's a shortlist of what's happening on stage in and around Evanston this week and next.

“**Outside Mullingar**” opens at the Northlight Theatre in Skokie on March 14. Written by Pulitzer Prize winner John Patrick Shanley, “Outside Mullingar” brings hope to an isolated cattle farm-boy and his potential lover. Through eccentricity and introversion, Shanley builds a relationship for these two hopefuls over the course of a surprising and mishap-ridden courtship.

Performances of “**The Diary of Anne Frank**” continue at Writers Theatre in Glencoe through June 28. Based on the perennial classic, this new adaptation is directed by Chicago favorite Kimberly Senior in a claustrophobic setting.

And you don't have much longer to catch “**Circuscope**” at Actors Gymnasium in Evanston. That run ends on March 22. A petri dish of fantastical performances, this circus has received high praise from many critics and is not a performance to be missed. [Read Evanston Now's review.](#)

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