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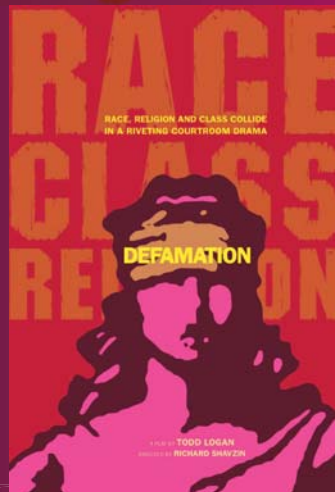


VALLEY COMMUNITY LEGAL FOUNDATION OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BAR ASSOCIATION

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VCLF is proud to sponsor 600 high school students to attend the nationally-acclaimed play, *Defamation*, which puts the students in the jury box of this riveting courtroom drama. *Defamation* explores highly charged issues of race, religion, class and the law. *Hon. Virginia Keeny* will lead a pre-show dialogue with students.

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VCLF Is Proud to Sponsor DEFAMATION, the Play

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ON FEBRUARY 6, THE VALLEY COMMUNITY LEGAL Foundation will sponsor a performance at Calabasas High School Performing Arts Center of the nationally-acclaimed drama, DEFAMATION, a professional, traveling, theatrical courtroom drama about race, religion and class.

Written and created by Todd Logan, the play dramatizes a civil suit in which an African-American woman sues a wealthy real estate developer after being accused of stealing his watch. The 80-minute performance is followed by a 15-minute student-audience deliberation. The play's judge polls the students twice—once before the deliberation begins and again at its end. The final vote for the plaintiff or for the defendant decides the outcome of the trial.

Last February, more than 200 students from three Valley magnet high schools and participating law post and teen court programs attended the production.

Due to the success of last year's performance, and the generous support of our sponsors, the upcoming performance is expected to draw more than 530 students from seven San Fernando Valley schools—John Burroughs High School, Taft High School, Canoga Park High School, Northridge Academy High School, and San Fernando High School, as well as the Law and Police Magnet programs at James Monroe High School and Reseda High School. An added bonus for students attending the performance, a Los Angeles Superior Court judge will conduct a pre-show dialogue with the audience.



Alise Cayen, Program Coordinator of Reseda High School's Law & Public Service Magnet and Police Academy Magnet, shared that her students "thoroughly loved the play. There was nothing but positive feedback about the event," while SFVBA Immediate Past President Kira Masteller added that, "It was truly inspirational to see how engaged the student-audience was during the performance and especially the post-show discussion."


We cannot sell tickets to this student-performance. The VCLF relies on, and are immensely grateful for, your generous support. We encourage you to donate to the VCLF, affording us the opportunity to not only bring

DEFAMATION back again in 2019, but also to help fund the Foundation's community grants and scholarships program.

"How encouraging it is to see the community support such a worthwhile endeavor," says Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Virginia Keeny, VCLF Vice President of Scholarships. "The more money we raise from

educational projects like these, the more money we have to fund our scholarship programs."

For your convenience, the VCLF has created various sponsorship opportunities to make it easier for YOU to choose your level of support.

To make a donation or purchase a sponsorship, visit www.thevclf.org/donate and click on the link for DEFAMATION. For more details about how you can sponsor this event, please contact VCLF Event Coordinator Anngel Benoun at anngel4re@earthlink.net. 

ABOUT THE VCLF OF THE SFVBA

The Valley Community Legal Foundation is the charitable arm of the San Fernando Valley Bar Association, with a mission to support the legal needs of the San Fernando Valley's youth, victims of domestic violence, and veterans. The VCLF also provides educational grants to qualified students who wish to pursue legal careers. The Foundation relies on donations to fund its work. To donate to the VCLF and support its efforts on behalf of the Valley community, visit www.thevclf.org and help us make a difference in our community.



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