IAMA Theatre Company presents the West Coast premiere of Found, a new musical inspired by Davy Rothbart’s popular Found Magazine, which features scores of actual discarded notes and letters that have been “found” in the real world by everyday people.

Found boasts a book by Tony nominated Hunter Bell (Broadway’s [Title of Show]) and Lee Overtree, and music and original lyrics by Emmy-nominated composer Eli Bolin (Original Cast Album: Co-op). Tony-nominated director Moritz von Stuelpnagel (Broadway’s Hand to God, Present Laughter, Bernhardt/Hamlet; off-Broadway’s Teenage Dick) directs, alongside orchestrators/musical directors Frank Galgano and Matt Castle (Atlantic Theatre Company’s world premiere production of Found) and Emmy award-winning choreographer Kathryn Burns (Crazy Ex-Girlfriend) for a Feb. 20 opening at The Los Angeles Theatre Center. Performances will continue through March 23.

In addition, IAMA has announced three late-night dates for a special presentation of Rothbart’s “Found Magazine” show, as featured on NPR and The Late Show with David Letterman, in which Rothbart shares his collection of discarded notes and letters including photos, love notes, grocery lists and other magical and mesmerizing finds. Rothbart, who created the magazine in 2001, collects any found item “that gives a glimpse into someone else’s life” from contributors around the world. The late-night shows will take place on Saturday, Feb. 22 at 10:30 p.m.; Monday, March 2 at 10:30 p.m.; and Saturday, March 21 at 10:30 p.m. Admission is included with ticket purchase to that evening’s performance of the musical.

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Also in the cast are Sheila Carrasco (TV’s I Think You Should Leave with Tim Robinson; The Good Place; Jane the Virgin), Parvesh Cheena (Neil Simon’s Musical Fools at Open Fist; recurring role on Crazy Ex-Girlfriend), Desi Dennis-Dylan (NBC’s Perfect Harmony; Bridesmaids at Rockwell Table & Stage), Tom DeTrinis (Die, Mommie, Die at Celebration and Kirk Douglas Theatres), Zehra Fazal (Bars and Measures at Boston Court; The Engine of Our Ruin at the Victory), Ryan W. Garcia (30 Minute Musicals; upcoming Darren Criss musical comedy Royalties on Quibi) and Karla Mosley (Maya Avant on The Bold and the Beautiful).

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IAMA Theatre Company's creative team includes scenic designer Sibyl Wickersheimer, projections designer Yee Eun Nam, lighting designer Dan Weingarten, sound designer Cricket S. Myers, costume designer Tilly Grimes and prop master Michael O'Hara. Lexi Sloan produces for IAMA Theatre Company, and Celestial Zenith is associate producer. Found is presented by special arrangement with Victoria Lang, Benjamin Salka and Eva Price.

For more information and to purchase tickets, call 323-380-8843 or go to www.iamatheatre.com.

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