

The Mermaid Playwrights' Theatre

Mermaid Inn and Germantown Avenues
Philadelphia, PA 19118

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Two Johns will play Two Harolds! John Colgan-Davis (left) and John Cameron will bring a play to life at the Mermaid Inn.

**Mermaid Inn to feature "*Two Harolds*" play
by Albert Fried-Cassorla on July 16th!
John Cameron and John Colgan-Davis to star!**

Philadelphia, PA - The Mermaid Inn will continue its Mermaid Playwright's Theatre series on Tuesday evening, July 16th with Albert Fried-Cassorla's short play, "Two Harolds." The play's story concerns two very different gentlemen in their 70's who somehow overcome obstacles and connect in the course of a plane flight.

The Mermaid Inn is located at 7673 Winston Road, Philadelphia, PA 19118. It is at the corner of Germantown Avenue and Mermaid Lane, which is also near Cresheim Valley Drive. This bar-restaurant has long

featured varied music and dancing events. This play will be a part of the Mermaid Playwrights' Theatre series and is an interesting new departure for the neighborhood institution.

The idea for featuring drama came about through an idea conceived by John Cameron, who will not only act but will also direct *Two Harolds*. He conceived this series several years ago. Long ago, he had been a part of a similar successful series in Louisiana where he taught history at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Those events featured live drama in a bar-restaurant setting, but with respectful attention being paid to the performance. The Mermaid Playwrights' Theatre will be similar, featuring new short plays on the third Tuesday of every month.

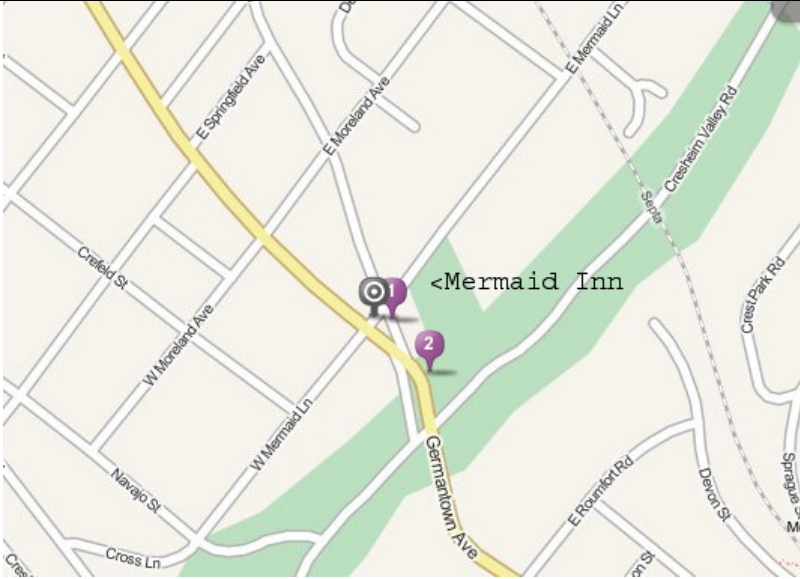
The Mermaid Playwrights' Theatre began in 2007 when John Cameron and Casandra Morabito wondered, "Why can't we have this in Philadelphia?" They founded their theatre and more recently contacted the Philadelphia Dramatists Center (PDC) in a search for interesting scripts. They collaborated with Mickey Leone of PDC to run a contest among PDC playwrights, and several excellent submissions were found and won the contest.

Mr. Cameron teaches history at Rider University and is active in the Philadelphia theatre world. John Colgan-Davis is a well-known performer, better known for his harmonica work as part of the Dukes of Destiny, a blues and R & B band.

PDC member playwright Albert Fried-Cassorla says he is delighted that his play will be presented by Mermaid Playwrights' Theatre. "By working with the actors just for a short while, I have already been able to improve the play tremendously," he said. "My play is about humanism and connecting in a world that often wants to divide us. So it's very important that it brought to life by tremendously talented artists -- and it will be."

Here are the details of the event:

Time and Date:	How: 7:45 - 8:15 pm approximately, on Tuesday, July 16th, 2013. Discussion may follow. To be assured of a seat in this 50-seat capacity, restaurant, we suggest arriving at or before 7 pm. Other entertainment is also scheduled that evening. Admission is for adults only; 21 and over.
Cost:	Free, but please patronize the restaurant and bar before and after the show. The bar serves soup, sandwiches a variety of beers.
Where:	The Mermaid Inn is located at 7673 Winston Road,

	<p>Philadelphia, PA 19118. 215-247-9797. www.themermaidinn.net Also visit Mermaid Playwrights' Theatre at https://www.facebook.com/pages/Mermaid-Playwright-Theater</p>
Map:	 <p>The map displays a street grid in Philadelphia, PA. A yellow highlighted road, Germantown Ave, runs diagonally from the bottom left towards the top right. A purple pin with the number '2' is placed on Germantown Ave, near its intersection with E Mermaid Ln. The text '<Mermaid Inn' is positioned to the right of the pin. Other visible streets include E Springfield Ave, E Moreland Ave, W Moreland Ave, E Mermaid Ln, Crossfield St, Navajo St, Cross Ln, E Rounfelter Rd, Devon St, Sprague St, and Crest/Valley Rd. A green shaded area, likely a park or greenway, is visible to the right of the map.</p>
Parking:	Street parking is available nearby.