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Cardinal Gibbons High School to present production of "Radium Girls" ... their time is running out!

Ft. Lauderdale, FL — The Cardinal Gibbons High School Drama Department presents its first play this Spring with "Radium Girls". Based on a true story that happened during World War I, the drama is about female factory workers who suffered radiation poisoning due to the luminous paint they used on clock and watch dials.

The story traces the efforts of Grace Fryer, a watch dial painter, as she fights for her day in court. Her chief adversary is her former employer, Arthur Roeder, an idealistic man who cannot bring himself to believe that the same element that shrinks tumors could have anything to do with the illnesses among his employees. The case brought by the "radium girls" that inspired this play is often thought of as a turning point in the labor rights movement. These women's efforts are credited with significant improvements in industrial safety standards that workers everywhere benefit from even today.

Erick Crow, Cardinal Gibbons director, when asked about the challenge of putting on this show, pointed out, "There is an element of pressure when you are dealing with a true story. We want to do justice to these women and their place in history, while at the same time, we want audiences to walk away thinking we made some great theatre."

While playwright D.W. Gregory may not be a household name, 'Radium Girls' has been one of the top 10 plays produced in the U.S. for two years in a row. Written with warmth and humor, "Radium Girls" is a fast-moving, theatrical ensemble piece.

PERFORMANCE TIMES

Performance run: Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4, 2020 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 2:00 pm.



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PERFORMANCE LOCATION

Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center Nova Southeastern University 3100 Ray Ferrero Jr. Blvd., Davie, FL 33314

TICKETS

General Tickets will be available at www.ticketmaster.com. Tickets \$17 in advance and \$23 at the box office. Student rush tickets for \$15 will be available for the Sunday show only.

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