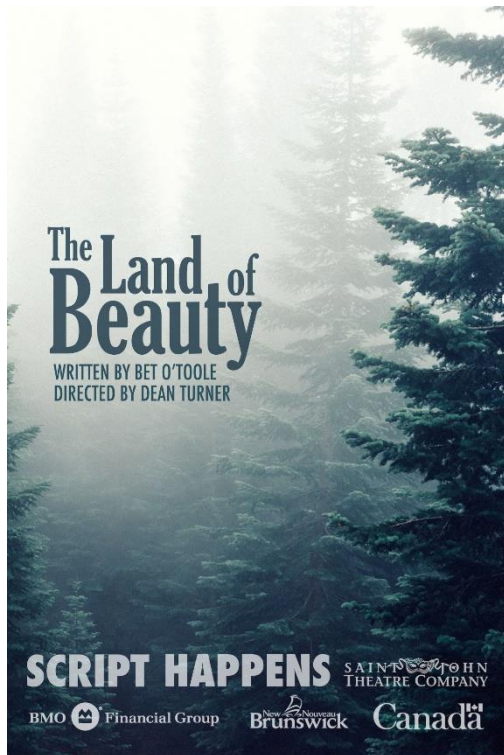


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A locally produced play takes the stage.

SJTC presents *The Land of Beauty* as part of annual Script Happens playwright development initiative.



SAINT JOHN – this month the Saint John Theatre Company is excited to present an original work by a local playwright. *The Land of Beauty* is written by Saint John playwright Bet O'Toole.

"'The Land of Beauty' has been a labour of love for over ten years, primarily because the evolution of Goldie's character continues to excite and move me. How she can be feisty and funny, with a joyful reverence for nature, while other times angry, defensive and self deprecating is the central mystery of the play," adds playwright Bet O'Toole.

*"Underpinning the plot are the many interpretations of the word "beauty" and how it affects our perceptions. Beauty is definitely in the eye of the beholder, but I hope audiences will enjoy and behold *The Land of Beauty* with a tear in their eye and a smile on their lips."*

The Land of Beauty will be offered as part of the Script Happens Series of work which is an annual event that celebrates Maritime playwrights by

selecting local scripts, developing them for the stage and then presenting the final product to audiences.

The Land of Beauty will run from June 8-11 at the BMO Studio Theatre. Streaming performances will be offered June 10-11. Tickets are \$20 for in person performances and \$15 for streaming. To purchase visit www.saintjohntheatrecompany.com or call 506-652-7582 extension 236.

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