

Moravian College and Touchstone Theatre joint program

The Bethlehem Gadfly Arts, the, Fun Stuff, Touchstone Theater October 23, 2019

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This Moravian professor, whose name Gadfly doesn't know, alerted us during discussion after Festival UnBound's "Poets, Troubadours, and Troublemakers" of a partnership between Moravian and Touchstone Theatre.

<https://youtu.be/T8snZ3TVel>

MFA in Performance Creation

"The partnership between Moravian College and Touchstone Theatre creates a bridge between the College and the professional theatre, and between the College and our local community."

Brand-new program that Gadfly knew nothing about: the first cohort of students began last August.

Touchstone, we know, specializes in "socially engaged performance creation and **community-based work**," and this program with Moravian will enhance its people resources while spreading its mission.

Gadfly has always said that Touchstone Theatre is one of Bethlehem's treasures. Now it will help train treasure-makers for other communities.

"I'm a college professor and a professional theatre artist. As a member of both the Touchstone Theatre company and the Moravian College faculty, I've been able to build a bridge between the two institutions that

gives our students terrific opportunities. When college students take what they learn in the classroom and see it applied out in the world, it sinks in. We want to give them a head start, so that when they graduate they are to hit the ground running.”

–Christopher Shorr, Director of Theatre