

Introduction to Theatre

Mondays, 1:30– 2:30 p.m. In-person

This is an interactive class where we will read from the play, act out scenes, analyze characters and the plot. No prior theatre experience necessary.

"Rock 'N Roll" by Tom Stoppard
Set in Prague, Czechoslovakia and Cambridge, England, "Rock 'N Roll" examines
the role of art -- namely rock music -- in the resistance to political oppression.

Opening in Prague, 1968, at the height of the Prague Spring, the play spans the Warsaw Pact invasion in April of 1968, and the events leading to the Velvet Revolution in 1989. Among the questions that Stoppard's play asks are how idealism and friendship survive in a police state and how dissident intellectuals resist the normalization of an oppressive government. Stoppard's brilliance as a playwright is his ability to write about fascinating ideas while at the same time tell compelling stories about characters with whom we connect on a deep emotional level.

To register, call the Council on Aging at 617-349-6220.



This program is for ages 60 years and older.

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