



THE BRIDGE  
INITIATIVE



**CROOKED SHADOWS**



*In honor of the stories told in our play, The Bridge Initiative will be collecting new/UNused household goods to donate to A New Leaf. See a list of items on this page: <https://turnanewleaf.org/get-involved/donate-items/>*



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**A list of item needed are on the next page and by clicking this link:**  
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#### cleaning and hygiene

- **General purpose cleaning supplies (urgent need)**
- Laundry detergent
- Full size and travel hand sanitizer
- Clorox wipes
- Swiffer sweeper
- Mop and broom
- **Women's deodorant**
- **Men's deodorant**
- **Full size body wash**
- **Full size shampoo and conditioner**
- Men's Razors



#### housewares

- **Twin and Queen sheet sets (urgent need)**
- **Twin and Queen quilts**
- **Standard pillows (urgent need)**
- **Bath towels**
- **Hand towels**
- Shower curtains and liners
- Laundry baskets
- Trash cans and trash bags
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- General office supplies



#### kitchenwares

- **Pots and pans (urgent need)**
- **Nonperishable food (urgent need)**
- **Manual can openers (urgent need)**
- **Paper, plastic, or glass dishes**
- Silverware and cooking utensils
- Cases of water
- Reusable water bottles
- Coffee pot
- Ziplock bags
- Baby - Toddler dishes
- Kitchen appliances
- Kitchen Towels
- Dish soap/Dishwasher pods



#### clothing

- **Men's and women's underwear**
- **Women's bras**
- **Men's and women's leggings/sweatpants (urgent need)**
- Men's, women's, and children's jackets
- Shirts and pants (children's 2T-16)
- Any size or gender shoes (especially larger men's)
- Diapers sizes 4-7
- Baby wipes



# CROOKED SHADOWS

Written & Performed by Shawneen Rowe

DIRECTOR: Daniela Crispo

PRODUCTION STAGE MANAGER: MJ Beckett

CAST: Shawneen Rowe

SCENIC DESIGN: Daniela Crispo

LIGHTING DESIGN: Aurora J. Winger

COSTUME DESIGN: Shawneen Rowe

SOUND DESIGN: David Rumble Moore

PROPS DESIGN: Daniela Crispo, Kelly Jones

PROJECTION DESIGN: Dennis Tamblyn

PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT: Amie Bjorklund, Brenda Foley

PHOTOGRAPHY: Laura Durant

VIDEOGRAPHY: Lights, Camera, Discover

RUN CREW: Megan Holcomb, Samuel Brekan, Bre Jackson

## THE BRIDGE INITIATIVE

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Board of Directors: Lynn Edwards, Natalie Andrews, Amie Bjorklund, Breona Conrad, Daniela Crispo, Brenda Foley, Drew Templeton, Christi Sweeney, Greg Hayes

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### **A note for us all . . .**

Stories are gifts we give to each other. We laugh together. We cry together. We heal together. Loved ones are kept alive for generations through the retelling of their tales.

This play is about the power of storytelling and the importance of sharing our lives in all their joy and pain. Stories thrive on our care and attention. Tell some. Invite someone else to tell some.

It's a courageous act to share and we lose nothing of our own light by offering it to shine for another. Stories unite us. By shining a light in our darkest corners and truly seeing each other with kindness and understanding, we realize we are not alone. Connecting our stories through time and each other can help recognize and break destructive cycles, together. There is power in that. There is light in that darkness. We need to step out of the shadows and step into each other's light.

Share. Listen. Learn. Shine!

### **Meet our Team:**



**Shawneen Rowe** (*Writer, performer*) Shawneen is a lifelong theatre professional. She is simply giddy and grateful to be working with the lovely artists of the Bridge Initiative. Shawneen is an actor, educator, playwright, dramaturg, activist, and granddaughter of the witches that wouldn't burn. She has a BFA from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts and an MA in Theatre with distinction from Villanova University. Recent favorite roles are: Annie Cannon/*Silent Sky*, Barbara/*August, Osage County*, Lady Macbeth/*Macbeth*, Leonato/*Much Ado About Nothing*, Bella/*Lost in Yonkers*, Mrs. Allonby/*A Woman of No Importance*, Performer 'Erika'/*Accomplice*, Lisa Simpson/*Mr. Burns*. Shawneen has developed educational Shakespeare programs for K-12 classrooms and teaches acting, audition technique, text analysis and Dramaturgy at the high school and undergraduate levels. She began work on *Crooked Shadows* for her Master's degree and continues to write celebrating the small stories we live every day. She is mom to two feisty, funny, groovy young women who inspire her heart - always. *Ain't nothing gonna break my stride . . .*



**Daniela Crispo** (*Director*) Daniela Crispo is a theatre director and actor. Originally from the New York metropolitan area, Daniela has been involved in theatre since childhood. A graduate of New York University's Tisch School of the Arts, she has worked in New York City as a director and actor with various critically acclaimed theatre companies and artists. She also earned a Master's Degree in Social Work from Fordham University at Lincoln Center. Upon moving to Arizona in 1998, she worked as a social worker and subsequently created her private practice. She joined the theatre community here in 2006, and has worked in various theatres around the valley as a director and actor. Daniela has been an active artistic and board member of The Bridge Initiative since 2015. With them she has found her theatrical and social awareness kindred spirits. .



**MJ Beckett** (*Stage Manager*) MJ has been involved in theatre for the past 11 years, working behind the scenes to bring productions to life in stage management as well as design. You may have seen MJ working for other companies such as Southwest Shakespeare, Mesa Encore Theatre, and Ronin Theatre. MJ would also like to thank the cast, crew, and creative team for their hard work as well as their family, friends', and partner's unwavering support. Enjoy the show!



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**Join us Saturday February 1st, after the show, for a talkback with A New Leaf**

**COMING SOON FROM BRIDGE...**



**Feb 24 at 7:30**

**@ ASU Kerr**

**"Bethany- Unplugged and Unforgettable"  
with Bethany Baca**

**Community sing at 7:00 - bring your sheet  
music**