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Dukesbay Productions presents
JAVA TACOMA: TO BEAN OR NOT TO BEAN
by Aya Hashiguchi Clark

Something unique is happening in Tacoma theatre: an original situation-comedy for the stage about three life-long friends who meet every day at a Tacoma coffee house, will tickle our collective funny bones for an eighth time.

Jeri, Kate and Linda join forces one last time to commit comic mayhem over at Tacoma's Perky's Coffee House. This time, the ladies do battle once again with an unscrupulous real estate investor over the ownership of the historic building that houses Perky's. Watch as the BFFs team up with family members and newfound friends to outwit the business mogul at his own double dealing game. And maybe, they'll find a happy ending to their own stories. Loosely inspired by William Shakespeare's "Hamlet," JAVA TACOMA is a celebration of friendship, middle-aged womanhood and Tacoma.

JAVA TACOMA: *To Bean or Not to Bean* is the eighth and final installment of an original sitcom for the stage that began in 2011, presented by Dukesbay Productions. This theatrical serial is generously peppered with Tacoma humor. It is rated PG for occasional adult humor.

Java Tacoma: To Bean or Not to Bean
by Aya Hashiguchi Clark
Directed by Randy Clark

October 14 - 30, 2022
The Dukesbay Theater
508 Sixth Ave. #10
Tacoma, WA 98402
Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30pm, Sundays at 2:00pm

Tickets are \$15, general admission.

For tickets: <http://JavaTacoma8.eventbrite.com>
For more information: info@dukesbay.org or 253-350-7680

About Dukesbay Productions

Dukesbay Productions was founded in 2011 by Tacoma theatre artists Randy Clark and Aya Hashiguchi Clark. Randy has been active in the Tacoma theatre scene as an actor and director since the 1970s. His work has been seen at Lakewood Playhouse, Tacoma Little Theatre and Theatre NW. Aya has appeared at several Seattle/Tacoma theaters, and served as producer for 8 plays and a Playwrights Festival for Burien Actors Theatre. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for Tacoma Little Theatre.

Dukesbay Productions' mission is to promote independent theatre in Tacoma and to showcase the works of theatre artists of all ethnicities.

Their company's website is located at: www.dukesbay.org.

About the Cast

Java Tacoma features a multiracial cast that includes **Joseph Grant, Aya Hashiguchi, Roger Iverson, Susan Kaeka, Nate Lovitt, Laurie Sifford, Jackie Villava-Cua, Jeffery Weaver** and **Malcolm J. West**.

Photos: 0010: L-R Nate Lovitt, Jax V. C.

0037: L-R Laurie Sifford, Aya Hashiguchi, Susan Kaeka, Joseph Grant

0077: L-R Roger Iverson, Jeffery Weaver

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COVID Protocols will be in place for all performances of JAVA TACOMA. This includes mandatory mask use while seated in the theater.

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