

Program

7:35 pm Introduction By Angelo

Harry Cardillo, Composer & Pianist

Mainstay Life Services Representative

SAYIN'

Leia-First Love by Stephen Cooper

Prom Night and Other Disasters by Denis Repp

Never Too Late to Chase Your Dreams by Olivia Weber

Love is a Funny Thing by D. Scott Burke

TRUTH OR LIE

No Exes in the Friend Zone by Joel Brady

Dumped at the Altar by Stephen Cooper

Wrestling Captain America by Torrey Shine

INTERMISSION

SAYIN'

Icarus on the Mon by Joel Brady

Love by Torrey Shine

Sahara Good by Stephen Cooper

Luckiest Man in the World by Angelo

TRUTH OR LIE

Soul Flame by D. Scott Burke

How I Met My Father by Olivia Weber

Bowling for Dollars by Denis Repp

Moon Goddess for the Virgin by Angelo

9:30 pm Questions & Comments

9:45 pm Curtain!

Storytelling is live performance, so we ask that you remain seated and silent during the telling of the story.

If you'd like to be considered to be a Sayer, please email or call us.

Sayer Bios

Joel Brady is on faculty at the University of Pittsburgh in the Departments of Religious Studies and Slavic Languages and Literatures. His courses include Vampire: Blood and Empire, Madness and Madmen in Russian Culture, and the History of Orthodox Christianity. He has competed on Ninja Warrior as “The Vampire Professor” and still can’t believe that making it to the Las Vegas Finals didn’t get him tenure. Since they met in junior high, his wife Peg has given him inspiration for most of his story ideas, and oh yea, their four children. His other passions include the banjo and rock climbing.

D. Scott Burke has always been inspired and intrigued by the myths of Irish bards. From the time he was a boy, his mother told him he had his father’s gift of sales, but it took years to realize it is a passion for storytelling that drives his love of connecting with people. Through vision quest work with The School of Lost Borders, Scott found purpose in having deep and meaningful conversations with total strangers.

Stephen Cooper is a Clinical Nurse Educator and part-time Jedi Knight. His attention deficit career path has included stints as a forest firefighter, PE teacher, community educator, and wilderness instructor. A past Moth GrandSLAM participant, he was also selected as a storyteller for the Green Building Alliance’s Inspired Speaker Series and the Bricolage Production Company’s WordPlay. A proud father of three, his greatest achievement is acquiring low paying but super cool sounding job titles.

Robert Creo, aka Angelo, is an attorney specializing in dispute resolution. He is the creator and principal of Steel City Storytellers, LLC. Robert tells stories about his own life experiences—the wacky, the weird, and the wonderful. He started Steel City Storytellers to give storytellers in the Pittsburgh region as a platform to share stories.

Denis Repp works in the IT department of a regional nursing care system, where he subjects co-workers to his stories before agreeing to change their passwords. Countless bar patrons can attest to his ability to drone on with one story or another, some of which are actually interesting. He was a regular at the Moth and also appeared at Wordplay and the AcoustiCafe. One his stories aired on the Moth Radio Hour and podcast.

Torrey Shine is a performance poet and storyteller. Her spoken word blends personal narrative and social commentary, engaging the audience through a mix of rhythm, rhyme, metaphor, wordplay, body movement, humor and soul. A three-time winner of the Moth Storytelling Slam, she was a featured performer at the 2014 Glastonbury Festival, where she regrettably set-clashed with Dolly Parton.

Olivia Weber started her journey in the entertainment industry in Pittsburgh as Lead singer for the band Bitter Delores, opening for the Clarks numerous times and recording an album in Arizona. More recently she has gone on to be a model and actress, walking countless runway shows, being published in magazines, being a featured actor in a variety of media, and has been part of several local film projects.