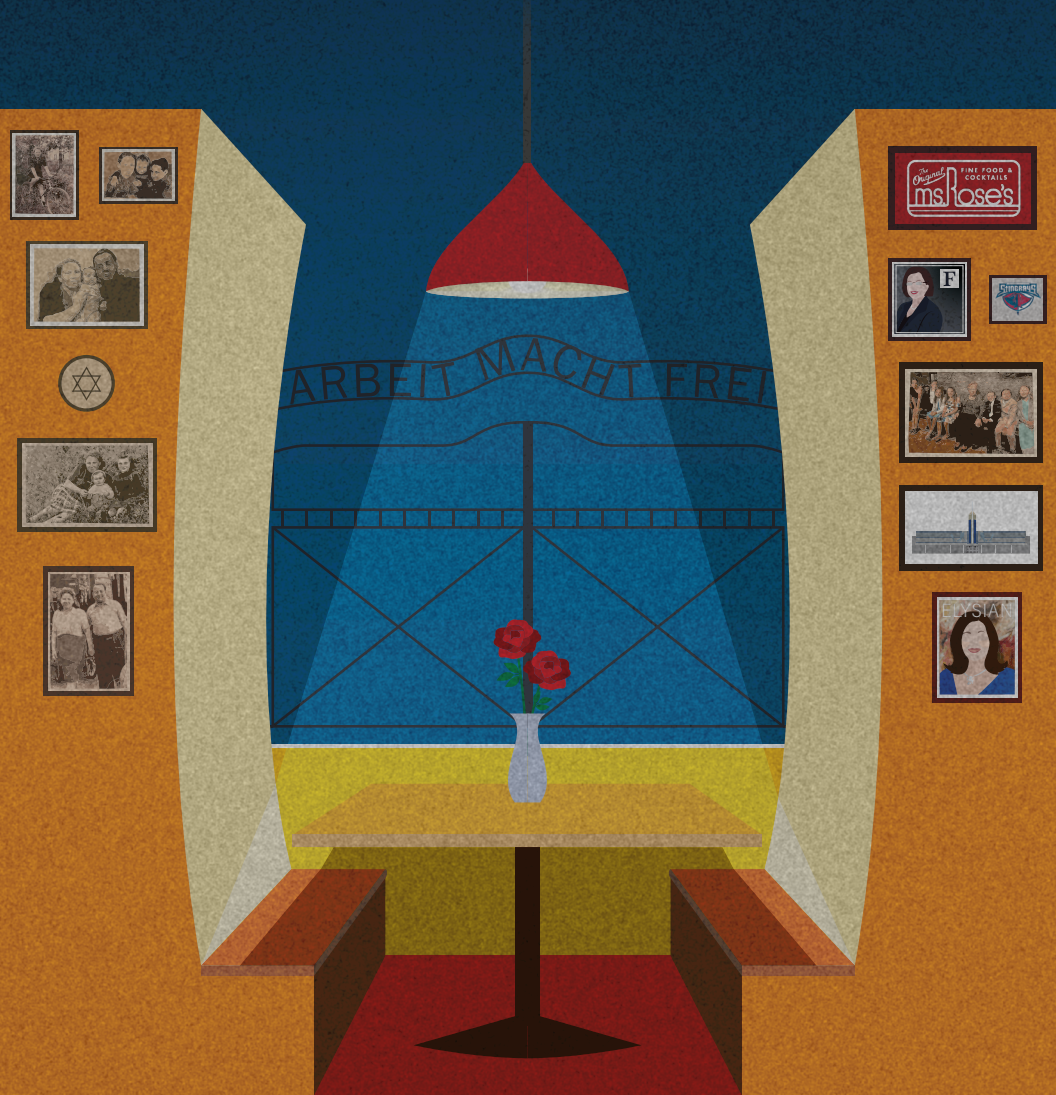


CSU Players Present

ON THE OTHER SIDE

a new work

Based on the true story of the life, trials, and triumphs of Holocaust survivors and parents of Anita Zucker, local philanthropist and businesswoman.



May 29 & 30, 2026
Cannon St. Arts Center

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

In April of 2025, Anita Zucker was on campus giving a talk about her parents and all they'd been through and how she got to where she is today. I'd heard the talk in a class on the Holocaust that I coteach with my colleague, Dr. John Kuykendall. Anita was kind enough to visit our class and engage with our students. They were eager to hear from her and had many questions. This time though – this April – I saw Anita Zucker's story come to life in my mind, as she spoke. When she'd finished her talk, I asked her if the story had ever been put into play form, to which she answered no. I asked if she'd like it to be a play – or theatrical piece – and she said, "that would be lovely." Since then, we met several times for me to interview and talk with her, and for five weeks I worked on the story with CSU students. They're fantastic. They're so willing to take risks and so trusting of me and the vision I had. Lately people have remarked about me having written a play. I often respond that I didn't write a play, we're write-ing a play. I couldn't have brought this to life without the input and commitment from these students.

In addition, it wouldn't be what it is without the input of CSU alum, Drew Heineman, who has been equally trusting of me. She's brought such interesting movement ideas to the whole piece and has been such a help to me – likely more than she realizes. I'm grateful. And, of course, I'm grateful to Anita Zucker for entrusting us with her story. I hope that you will be moved by experiencing this piece of theatre. And hopefully you'll carry the message with you into your daily lives.

Thank you for joining us,

-Thomas Keating

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CAST

Anita

Mary Lane

Ensemble

Abner Alvarado

Adrienne Antley

Ashley Butler

Dulce Calix

Hannah Dawson

Charli Haigler

Alana Lowery

Ashlyn Margolis

Alayna Meadows

Jackson Pratt

Emily Sherlock

Olivia Wideman

Evan Wilson

The production is presented without intermission. The run time is about one hour.

Please be advised that lighting and fog effects are in use for this show.

PRODUCTION PERSONNEL

Director

Thomas Keating

Choreographer and Assistant Director

Drew Heineman

Stage Manager

Paige Eide

Dramaturgy

Dr. John Kuykendall

Set Design and Technical Direction

Thomas Keating

Asst. Technical Director

Isabella Gardner

Lighting Design

Nicole Campbell

Asst. Lighting Design

Bootsie Baldwin

Costume Design

Chloe Lovelady

Makeup and Hair

Brighton Brown

Choral Music

“I Believe” by Mark Miller
Performed by Concert Singers
Dr. Will Griswold, conductor

Original Music by

Mark Berman

Sound Support

CSU Events Staff

Poster Design

Zoe Ganiszewski

Program

Jennifer Luiken

Photography

Anna McSwain

Box Office

Sandra Bryant

Theatre Production Assistants

Charli Haigler
Buddy Gary
Olivia Tolbert
Alana Lowery

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO

Chad Gibbs and Hana Green of the Zucker/Goldberg
Center for Holocaust Studies at The College of Charleston

PERFORMER BIOS

Abner Alvarado (ensemble-writer) is a Junior majoring in Music and Worship Leadership with a minor in Christian Studies. He is originally from El Salvador but grew up in Summerville, SC.

Adrienne Antley (ensemble-writer) is a Senior Communication major and theatre minor. She is from Charleston, SC.

Ashley Butler (ensemble-writer) is a Junior Communication major and Political Science and Criminal Justice minor. She is from Castle Rock, CO.

Dulce Calix (ensemble-writer) is a Freshman Early Childhood Education major and Theatre minor. She is from Honduras.

Hannah Dawson (ensemble-writer) is a Senior Elementary Education major. She was born and raised in North Charleston, SC.

Paige Eide (stage manager) is a Senior Communication major and Theatre minor from Charlotte, NC.

Charli Haigler (ensemble-writer) is a Sophomore Music and Worship Leadership major. She is from Lancaster, SC.

Drew Heineman (assistant director and choreographer) graduated from CSU in 2024 as a Biology major and Theatre minor. She now leads an acroyoga community called AcroCharleston and is excited to continue learning and growing in the theatre world.

Megan Lane (Anita-head writer) is a Junior English major with minors in History and Honors Studies. She is originally from Myrtle Beach, SC.

PERFORMER BIOS

Alana Lowery (ensemble-writer) is a Senior Communication major with minor in Theatre. She is from Pageland, SC.

Ashlyn Margolis (ensemble-writer) is a Junior Communication and Spanish major. She is from Goose Creek, SC.

Alayna Meadows (ensemble-writer) is a Freshman English major with a minor in Theatre. She lives in Summerville, SC.

Jackson Pratt (ensemble-writer) is a Junior Communication Major and Student Ministry Minor. He is from Alcolu, SC.

Emily Sherlock (ensemble-writer) is a CSU alum from Charleston, SC.

Olivia Wideman (ensemble-writer) is a Sophomore Music Education – Choral major with a minor in Theatre. She is from Darlington, SC.

Evan Wilson (ensemble-writer) is a Junior Communication major and Theatre minor from Hardeeville, SC.

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