

"Sharp, funny, and richly humane," says the Chicago Tribune.

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The Nuns Take Charge

March 1

Vicki Quade Puts the Nuns in Charge at Peace and Lifts Curtain on Fine Arts Fundraising

Just when you thought it was safe to go back to school, Sister returns in this sequel to the nationally-acclaimed hit comedy *Late Nite Catechism*. Co-creator of *Late Nite Catechism*, Vicki Quade puts Sister back in the classroom, and this time, her no holds barred comments provide a refresher course in the Golden Rule. She has something to say on everything from skirt lengths to cell phones. Quade brings her sharp-talking Sister to Peace as she presents *Put the Nuns in Charge!*, March 1 at 7 p.m. –a kick off to Peace's fine arts fundraising and program expansion.

On with the Show...If you thought *Late Nite Catechism* was funny when it took on Vatican II, see what Sister has to say now about behavior in our modern society! If you've never experienced a Vicki Quade production, then you're in for a hysterical, eye-opening treat.

The Seven Deadly Sins have never been this funny. Sister will teach her own class on the Golden Rule, with comments about fashion, music, bad drivers, and general public behavior. In her world, everything relates to our upbringing in the Catholic faith. She has her own opinions on just about everything, from the shade of your lipstick to the I-Pod in your pocket.

And where *Late Nite Catechism* creates a nostalgic look at one's Catholic upbringing, *Put the Nuns in Charge!* applies the rules learned during that upbringing to today's modern problems. Instead of listening to modern music, Sister directs the class to look at the religious classics! She longs for the days of the May Queen and wonders what examples are being set by today's celebrities. Some will recall their youth. All will laugh, and all will learn. Don't delay. Snag your tickets today!

"Schools and parishes throughout Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin have enjoyed *Late Nite Catechism* and are already booking *Put the Nuns in Charge!* as a way

of raising much-needed money to balance their budgets," says Quade. In addition, the shows are used to help raise retirement funds for Sisters. Over the past dozen years, more than \$2 million has been raised and donated to various orders of nuns nationwide.

For her work in raising awareness of the plight of retired Sisters, Vicki Quade received the Spirit of Benedict Award in 2003 from the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago, and, in 2005, she was given a Partners in Mission Award by the Sisters of the Living Word in Arlington Heights.

PUT THE NUNS IN CHARGE! features Kathleen Puls Andrade, Elaine Carlson, Patricia Musker, and Lisa Braatz in the role of Sister.

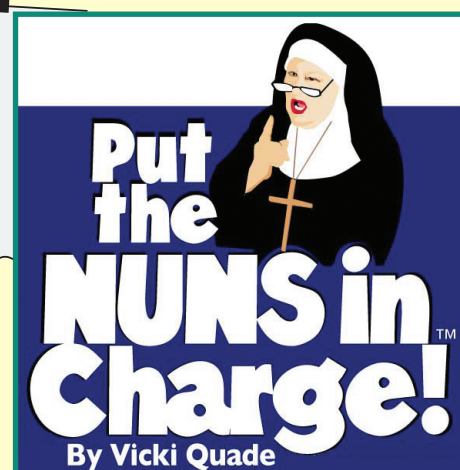


This night of fine theatre and sparkling conversation will serve to raise the curtain on Peace's own fine arts expansion program. Proceeds from the night's production will benefit the *Art Without Borders* program set to launch when adequate resources are garnered, as well as support the expansion of art electives for all students.

The objective of the program is to engage students in the dynamic fine arts world that exists just a bus ride away. Students will be able to take advantage of Chicago's finest cultural institutions, immersing themselves in an arts experience that gives them a glimpse into a richly intricate world.

"We need to take advantage of the resources we have. Chicago is right next door, and we have the technology at our fingertips," Peace President/Principal Kathleen Hanlon said.

From the Museum of Contemporary Art, to the Civic Opera House, to the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, to Hubbard



Street Dance, students will venture to these city venues with teachers to learn about and appreciate the fine arts. In doing so, students open themselves to a first-hand understanding of the complicated

process of producing, creating, and cultivating an expression of art.

Students will take field trips. After the trips, they will research and reflect deeply and creatively on the event, amassing a fine arts component for their academic portfolios which they can take with them to college. These four trips can be used towards the fine arts graduation requirement. Students will continue to have the opportunity to take Peace art electives as well.

The program also gives students a taste of an experience most college students face. "At Northwestern University, to satisfy my fine arts coursework, we were required to research fine arts events in the city, set a schedule for ourselves, venture out to the events on our own, and then write critical reflections on the experience – for instance, how it made us feel and what kind of listening, observing, and analyzing was necessary to get the most from the experience," Victoria Guzzo, Peace's public relations director, said.

Art Without Borders allows for unrestricted participation. This interactive, wall-less learning environment does not put restrictions on class size or teachers. Rather, all students are welcomed to participate. The opportunities to grow intellectually, emotionally, and culturally are limitless with this program.

Peace is committed to expanding its fine arts curriculum. With the addition of this program to the current offerings of visual art theory and practice, dance, drama, chorus, and band, Peace continues to motivate its students to pursue creative expression. Peace believes all students are uniquely gifted and should be encouraged to explore their talents and creativity in the performing arts, visual arts and music as they develop their own personal style.

Buy Your Tickets Now! ★

General Ticket Price: \$30, includes refreshments during intermission ★

V.I.P. Ticket Price: \$75, includes special theatre seating and spirits & hors d'oeuvres in V.I.P. party section during pre-show, intermission, and post-show ★