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present



## THEO AND HIS BROTHER PAUL

A New Play in One Act by D. S. Weatherston  
Staged Reading Directed by Arthur Feinsod

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# Theo & Paul

## Play depicting Dreiser-Dresser brothers going on stage at Indiana Theatre on March 9

A new one-act play, "Theo and His Brother Paul," centers on the brotherhood of two famous Terre Haute natives and will be performed March 9 in the Indiana Theatre at 683 Ohio St.

The production, written by D.S. Weatherston, is presented by Wabash Valley Art Spaces and the Vigo County Public Library. Arthur Feinsod will direct the staged reading.

Proceeds from the event will support "Courage in Language and Thought - The Dreiser Legacy," a new Art Spaces sculpture to honor Theodore Dreiser, to be placed adjacent to the north (Walnut Street) entrance to the library.

Dreiser, who was born in Terre Haute in 1871, is widely considered to be the "Father of American Naturalism." His work not only defined this movement but also inspired many important writers from his time to today.

Art Spaces previously honored Dreiser's brother, composer Paul Dresser, with "A Song for Indiana," a sculpture by Teresa Clark installed near the Paul Dresser Home in Fair-

banks Park. The work honors Dresser, his song "On the Banks of the Wabash, Far Away," (Indiana's State Song since 1913) and the Wabash River. A sculpture celebrating Dreiser will further develop Terre Haute's Cultural Trail.

The staged reading of "Theo and His Brother Paul" will be produced and performed courtesy of Theater 7 and sponsored by Arts Illiana, Big Picture, Casey's General Stores Inc., Indiana State University Department of English and Creative Writing Committee, the Indiana Theatre and Vigo County Historical Society.

The March 9 activities begin with a cash bar at 5 p.m., followed by "Early Dreiser," a talk by Feinsod at 5:30. The cash bar and complimentary hors d'oeuvres follow at 6. The staged reading begins at 6:30 p.m. At 7:15, guests can mingle with the authors, director and actors.

Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at Art Spaces, 669 Ohio St., online through PayPal at [wabashvalleyartspaces.com](http://wabashvalleyartspaces.com), or by calling 812-235-2801.