



Dear friend of theatre (silly, serious or what-have-you):

This has been an amazing year for the four lads in Monkeyman Productions. When we got together after working on *Godzilla on Sundays* to talk about starting our own company, I don't think any of us knew where it might lead. We just wanted the opportunity to take our wild, weird, wonderful theatricality further.

And we did with *Theatre of the Obsessed* this past September. We had plays featuring a giant ape, mythological monsters, a spoof of sci-fi TV shows ... all adhering to our company mandate of better knowing ourselves through our pop-culture preoccupations, but also highly entertaining and uproariously funny. It was a definite success.

Now we're looking toward 2009 and hoping to bring you more theatre in that vein, all beginning with our January 18<sup>th</sup> reading of *The Nefarious Bed & Breakfast* (<http://doctornefarious.com>). But right now all of our future plans, including that show, suffer from one common shortcoming:

They all cost money, and we're about tapped out.

We bankrolled *Theatre of the Obsessed* by the very seat of our pants, without the benefit of any donations or additional funding. And quite honestly, our pants can't survive another production. We could wind up pantsless, and no one wants to see *that*.

But hopefully the type of theatre we produce *is* something you'd like to see, maybe enough to make an investment in Monkeyman's future. With even the smallest of donations, you could be a huge part of allowing us to continue our theatrical adventures into a new and exciting year. It's almost like you become the fifth Monkeyman. ;)

If you visit our website at <http://monkeymanproductions.com>, there's a link to allow you to make a gift online, or if it's easier for you to mail a cheque or money order, please feel free to do so via the address at the bottom of this letter.

We've had an amazing year here at Monkeyman, and we're hoping 2009 will be even better. With your help, I'm sure it will be – and every laugh, every round of applause, will be for you as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D.J. Sylvis", is written over a light grey rectangular background.

D.J. Sylvis, Artistic Producer

PS: We're not set up yet legally as a non-profit (though we do have a letter of mandate on file, and we're happy to provide that on request), so we can't give you a tax receipt, but we can guarantee that all of your donation will go toward our production costs for the next season. Thank you for anything you can give.

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