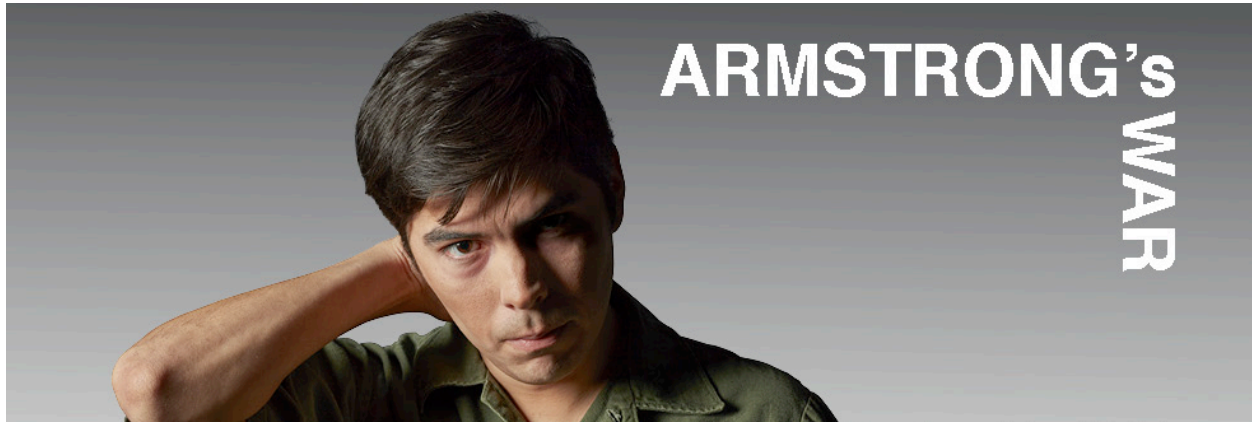


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Redefining courage in ARMSTRONG'S WAR

Two very different young people, both damaged but sick of pity, explore what is meant by courage and heroism in Western Canada Theatre's production of *Armstrong's War*, by Canadian star playwright **Colleen Murphy**, April 12 to 21 at the Pavilion Theatre.

The two young Armstrongs meet in a rehabilitation centre: Michael, a 21-year-old soldier injured on tour in Afghanistan, and Halley, a spirited young girl paralyzed in a car accident. When Halley, eager to earn Pathfinder badges, volunteers to read stories Michael, he responds with his own shocking story - one that throws Halley's cherished beliefs about life and hope into question. Haunted by their experiences, the two form an unlikely bond in this moving, uplifting and surprisingly funny drama about bravery and survival.

With *Armstrong's War*, we welcome back **Heather Cant**, a former WCT associate artistic director, as the director. We are also excited to have the debut of **Lukas Vanderlip**, a star alumni of WCT's Stage One Theatre School, as the Sound Designer. The Kamloops talent is rounded out by **Cindy Wiebe** as the Costume Designer and **Madison Henry** as the Stage Manager.

We also welcome to the Kamloops stage **Julie Leung** as the young Halley Armstrong and **Zac Scott** as Corporal Michael Armstrong. **Ksenia Broda-Milian**, as the Set & Lighting Designer, has created on set a hospital room that is evocative of an Afghanistan desert.

Be sure to close WCT's 2017-18 Season with the adventurous spirit of *Armstrong's War*. Playing April 12th to 23rd at the Pavilion Theatre. Learn more at wctlive.ca. Get your tickets now at the Kamloops Live! Box Office at 250-374-5483, 1025 Lorne Street, or kamloopslive.ca.

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Featuring (in alphabetical order): **Julie Leung** (Halley Armstrong) and **Zac Scott** (Corporal Michael Armstrong)

Creative Team: **Heather Cant** (Director), **Ksenia Broda-Milian** (Set & Lighting Designer), **Cindy Wiebe** (Costume Designer), **Lukas Vanderlip** (Sound Designer), **Madison Henry** (Stage Manager)

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