

# Lena Productions

**“Paul Gonsalves on the Road”, a part of the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Capital Fringe Festival, July 7 through 31, 2016**

**One of the brightest stars of Duke Ellington's orchestra in the twilight of his career.**

Washington – Paul Gonsalves, the Ellington Orchestra’s brilliant, erratic, star tenor saxophonist suffers through another embarrassing on-stage incident. With his place in the orchestra and career in jeopardy, Gonsalves is ordered to 'go home.' After twenty-two years on tour with Ellington, and despite his deep affection for his children, Gonsalves’ family relations are fleeting and strained. Forced to contemplate life without Ellington and the orchestra, he realizes that for him there is only one place where he truly feels at home and part of a family – on the road with the band. Featuring one of DC’s finest jazz musicians, Davey Yarborough, as Paul Gonsalves, the show features live renditions of some of Gonsalves’ legendary solos.

**What:** “Paul Gonsalves on the Road” by Arthur Luby, produced by Lena Productions

**Featuring:** Davey Yarborough, Keith Irby, Tony Thomas, Addison Switzer, Evan Crump, and Emma Tower. Set and Lighting Design by Chris Holland, Costume Design by Heather Whitpan. Directed by Andy Wassenich

**Where:** Trinidad Theatre, Fringe Logan Arts Space, 1358 Florida Ave. NE

**When:** July 10, 1:15 PM; July 12, 8:45 PM; July 17, 8:15 PM; July 21, 7:15 PM; July 24, 2:15 PM

**Tickets and Passes:** Contact [capitalfringe.org](http://capitalfringe.org) or call 866-811-4111

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**About Lena Productions:** Lena Productions is a small independent theatre company which has mounted two plays for the Capital Fringe Festival, an earlier version of “Paul Gonsalves on the Road” in 2012 and “Sage of Blackwell” in 2014. The Company focuses on straightforward drama growing out of less publicized sectors of American culture. Lena Productions is pleased to participate in this year’s Festival and is grateful to Capital Fringe for its role in giving voice to DC’s independent arts community.