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Shane Partlow
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Dear Shane:

This is just a quick note of thanks for the outstanding job you, Rowan and Matty did with Saturday's performance of *The Queen of Bingo*. You could tell from the audience's favorable response that this was a true hit.

I also want to commend you for keeping this wonderful show affordable. Our tech director was a bit concerned when you showed up with two suitcases, but you demonstrated that good acting and a good script – along with two tables, a barstool, an American flag and assorted props – are all that is needed for an excellent evening of comic theatre.

In addition, the fact that you are being represented by a regional agency means you don't have to charge \$15 grand for a three-person show. I have seen too many two- or three-person theatre pieces go with so-called "top" agencies, only to have their fees go through the roof.

You should know that we grossed over \$20,000 with a top ticket price of \$32 and 754 sold. I'm almost embarrassed to report that – with your \$6,500 fee and low tech costs – this will be the biggest financial success of our season. With only 950 seats, we're constantly looking for the right size show, at the right price, to help us succeed. *Queen of Bingo* did just that.

Once again, many thanks for the excellent production and performance. You and Theatre A G-Go really know what you're doing.

Sincerely,

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