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CLARA AND THE MERMAIDS ON WIOX PLAYTIME TUESDAY AT 6 PM.

The Open Eye Theater Playtime will present John Newman's new play for young audiences, "Clara and the Mermaids," this coming Tuesday, July 20, at 6:00 pm ET on WIOX Community Radio, at 91.3 FM in the Catskills, and streaming everywhere at wioxradio.org. It can also be heard on MTC Channel 20 Television.

Performing will be Madison Tobon as Clara Gentry (a twelve-year-old girl), Rebecca Newman as Sandy Gentry (Clara's mother), Irene Keeney as Paisley York (Clara's sixth-grade friend), Atticus Rosenweig as Britain York (Paisley's younger brother, a fourth-grader), Angie Potrikus as Mrs. York (Paisley and Britain's mother), and Pip Merrick as Mrs. Hamilton (Director of the school's production of "The Little Mermaid"). Playtime is hosted by Amie Brockway, producing artistic director of The Open Eye Theater, Carol Schwartz, from The Open Eye's Arts Education Team, and Arnie Schwartz, who hosts the WIOX program "Talk of the Town". Darlene DeMaille serves as stage manager. Following the 30-minute performance, the hosts will interview playwright John Newman and the performers. This event is part of The Open Eye Theater's ongoing new play development series.

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