

'Butterflies Are Free' to open on April 9 at Barksdale Theatre

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"Butterflies Are Free" by Leonard Gershe will be presented April 9 through May 16 at the Barksdale Theatre at Hanover Tavern.

After its sold-out world premiere

the fresh, sunny comedy transferred to Broadway, won a Tony Award and ran for a crowd-pleasing three years.

Loosely based on the life of blind attorney Harold Krents, and featuring original music by Stephen Schwartz, the composer of Godspell and the

current mega-hit Wicked, "Butterflies Are Free" tells the story of Don Baker, an ambitious young man who, though sightless from birth, moves into an apartment in New York City, leaving his protective family in Scarsdale for the freedom and independence — and

romance — he has always craved.

Gershe was nominated for by Academy Award for his screenplay "Funny Face."

The production is being directed by Billy Christopher Maupin.

Barksdale Theatre is located at 13181

Hanover Courthouse Road in Hanover.

Single tickets are \$38; seniors \$35; groups of 15 or more \$32; and last-minute rush tickets \$20.

For tickets, call the box office at 282-2620 or buy them online at www.BarksdaleRichmond.org.

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