



MUSEUM<sup>of the</sup>  
COASTAL  
BEND

*Where Texas History Began*

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**Auditions for “Madness & Murder,” a One-Act Play**

Tuesday, February 23 - 7:00 p.m.

Casting - 1 woman, 2 men

The Museum of the Coastal Bend at The Victoria College is looking for two good actors and one talented actress to audition for the museum's upcoming presentation of “Madness and Murder: The Mystery of Mary Hensoldt,” written by Gary Hall.

The short play is adapted from a chapter of Gary Hall's book Murder & Malice: Crimes of Passion from Victoria County, Texas. Based upon true events, with some fictional dialogue added, the play promises to capture the curiosity and fascination of an audience interested in true crime and Victoria's past. Recounting a true murder that took place in 1891 in a home on Main Street, the play is guaranteed to whet the appetite of mystery lovers.

On Friday, April 16, the Museum of the Coastal Bend will host the one-act play, preceded by a silent auction and dinner. The evening's events, a fundraiser for the Museum, will be held at The Victoria College Student Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Those wanting to audition should be at the Museum of The Coastal Bend (corner of Red River and Ben Jordan streets) on Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m.

All those auditioning will be asked to read from the script. You may review and print sides used in the auditions from the Museum's website ([www.museumofthecoastalbend.org](http://www.museumofthecoastalbend.org)) or you may check out hard copies of the sides from the museum office during normal business hours.

If you have questions about the event or auditions, please call museum director Sue Prudhomme at 361-582-2436.

The Museum of the Coastal Bend is located on the campus of The Victoria College, Victoria, TX, at the corner of East Red River and Ben Jordan. Business hours are Tuesday – Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.