

The Assembly Rooms, Masonic Hall, East Ascent, St Leonards-on-Sea, TN38 ODR

Saturday 6 February 2016 / 2pm (doors 1.30pm) / 7pm (6.30pm) Tickets: Adults £10 / Members & Concessions £8



Streatham Theatre Company presents direct from the Streatham Festival

+++BREAKING/THE/CODE+++

by Hugh Whitemore, based on the book 'Alan Turing: The Enigma' by Alan Hodges

Alan Turing was the eccentric genius who helped break the complex German Enigma code, playing a major role in the winning of WW II. After the war Turing turned his scientific and mathematical genius to the concept of developing an 'electronic brain'; the first computer, which lead ultimately to today's smartphones and tablets.

Meanwhile, in his private life Turing was breaking another code: the taboo of homosexuality. In 1952 he was convicted of the criminal act of gross indecency and sentenced to undergo hormone treatments as part of his rehabilitation. He committed suicide in 1954.

Turing spent his childhood in St. Leonards, living at Baston House in Upper Maze Hill, and attending St Michael's School in Charles Road until the age of 14.

This rehearsed reading is based on our performances of Hugh Whitemore's play at Streatham Festival 2015. It focuses on Turing the man, his personal moral code, the relationships that influenced his life and his struggle to appreciate the conventions and laws of 1950s society.

"In the long run, it's not breaking the code that matters - it's where you go from there. That's the real problem."

This amateur production of "Breaking the Code" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, LTD.

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Tickets*

£10 Adults

£8 for STC members, Equity members and Unwaged.

Licensed bar. 18 and over.

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