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is a musical celebration of our diverse heritage, and of the human spirit. It is a story about people who came to this isolated region and found a way to survive the natural and social challenges. It is a story of courage, of desperation, of vision. It is a story of hope, of pride, of laughter and tears, of the past and the future. It is about individual freedom and communal ties. Most of all, it is about the thousands of families who left their homelands to carve out a home from unforgiving wilderness.

The Story

At the opening we are introduced to a group of contemporary high school kids on a field trip. They are at the beach, and are supposed to discuss immigration of the last century. Mostly they discuss their desire to live somewhere less isolated, more exciting. They know why their ancestors came to this harsh, isolated region. *They wonder why they stayed.*



Behind these young people the immigrant families arrive. The students drop their backpacks and their sunglasses and walk into the lives of their ancestors. And the adventure begins.


We come to know Lisa from Italy, arriving already engaged to a man she's never met and Joe and Tom Trenarry, who risk everything for a job in the mines and a chance at a better life.



There's the schooner, The Resolution and her crew members who love the lake that daily threatens their lives. A young Chinese woman and her daughter seek a home, as they follow the trail of the husband who fled China. A German family tries farming in the wasted forestland, as their son seeks his own path. A Swedish father seeks a safe home for his family. A young Native American faces the challenge of a changing world. Families and individuals, all seeking a future in a land that gives nothing away for free.

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Beacon on the Rock will run from
July 1 through July 30, 1999.
All performances begin at 8:00 p.m.

Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
	1	2	3	4
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Ticket Prices: \$10.00 Adults **Sunday is special**
 \$5.00 Children **Family night!**
 \$7.50 Seniors **All seats, \$5.00**
 \$7.50 Groups (over 10)

Performance Night	# of Tickets	Price per Ticket	Total
(circle above)	# _____	X _____	= _____
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Handling Fee= \$2.00
 TOTAL= _____

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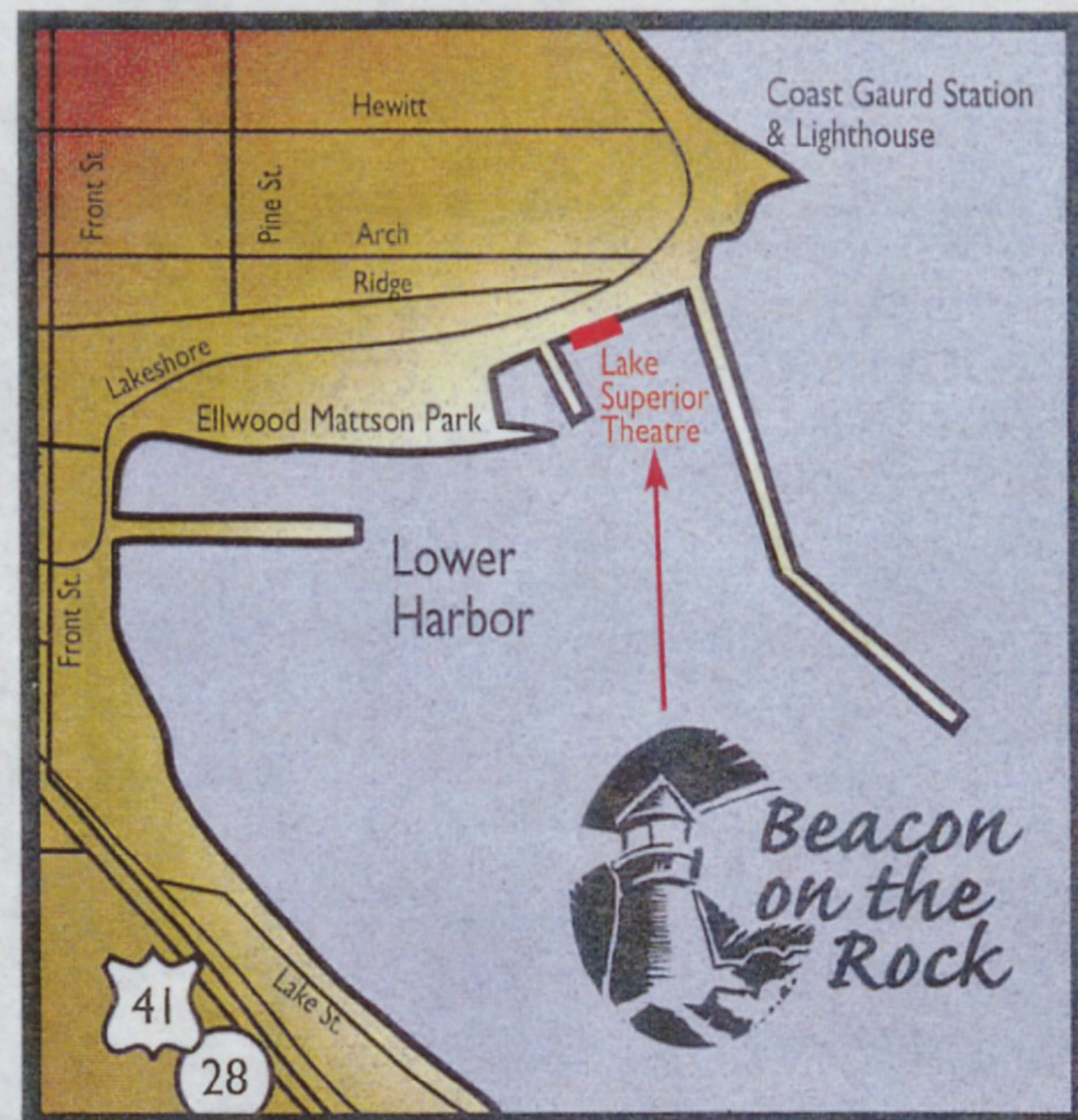
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Return to: Ticket Office-Superior Dome / NMU
 1401 Presque Isle Avenue, Marquette, MI 49855



Beacon on the Rock takes place on Lake Superior's magnificent southern coast. The converted boathouse which serves as the temporary home for the regional drama sits between the picturesque Marquette Lighthouse and the popular Lower Harbor Park. Enjoy a picnic or dine in one of Marquette's fine restaurants. Then watch the boats, enjoy the lake, and let us take you back to a time when schooners filled the harbor, when long dresses dragged through the muddy streets, and when English was one of perhaps twenty-five languages you might hear on a busy day.

Visit Michigan's beautiful Upper Peninsula! During the day enjoy water sports, hiking, shopping or visiting the historic sights. Then at sundown, come to our lakeside theatre, and journey with us back to 1870.

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