

Hello!

My name is Maria Nikolova, I'm 25 and I come from Bulgaria, Eastern Europe! There are a lot of things that I could say about your great Reno Little Theater-this is an amazing place, full with really nice people who always perform with passion! I like your work and there's only one person who is responsible for that-Joan Varley! Yes, she showed me what Reno Little theater is all about! She took me to some productions, I was impressed! The life is wicked...I still can't believe she was murdered! I used to live in River's Edge for almost 8 months-I'm a student and, in 2006, I participated in work and travel programme, so I lived in Reno and I fell in love with that city.



Maria at River's Edge in 2006

I'm moving to the States this summer, so I planned to go see Joan and Reno Little Theater, of course. I was searching for her cell number in Internet today when I found out she is dead...This is terrible! Joan was amazingly good person, such a loving, compassionate, and kind soul!

From the first day of my stay in Reno, and in the States actually, she helped me with everything, she showed me what the real American life style is, she was cooking for me, found me a great job, she was a friend! Something more, she was almost like my American mother because she was the only person that I trusted there! During the last 3 years, I was wondering what's going on with her, I didn't have any news! I left Reno and River's Edge on 16th of October 2006, only 10 days before the terrible murder! When I came back to Bulgaria, I sent her a mail and she answered back, but never did it again...I sent her a present from Bulgaria, but it returned, now I already know why...I have no words to explain how sad I am right now! I can't believe she's gone 3 years ago...When I come back to Reno this summer, I'll come and see your new productions, but nothing will be the same for me without Joan. I don't know if it's appropriate to send that mail to you, but this is the emotion that speaks in me right now, so please accept my kindly excuses for annoying you! I can't wait to see your new productions! You, dear Reno Little Theater, have a great fan at the other side of the globe-me! :) God bless you all! Wish you a lot of success!

p.s. And please, if someone over there who's reading this mail knows who Ed Rahn is, tell him hello from Maria and Nasko from Bulgaria! I hope he remembers me! I saw him at some pictures in your site! I'm really sorry if I'm disturbing you or just wasting your time!

Kindly regards,

Maria Nikolova