

Kentwood Players

presents



By Marc Camoletti

Adapted by Robin Hawdon

Directed by

Kathleen Chapin

May 9 – June 14, 2003

Westchester Playhouse

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Set Design

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Light Design

Tom Brophrey

Costume Design

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Sound Design

Susan Stangl

Cast

(in order of appearance)

Bernard..... Jason Schlatter
Jacqueline Lisa Graham
Robert..... Jerad Callen
Suzette..... Laura Renault
SuzanneLira Kellerman
George..... Dave Parke

The action takes place in the main living room of a country house some distance from Paris

Time -- the present.

Act I Early evening

Act II Two hours later

There will be a 15-minute intermission between Acts I and II.

Decaf coffee will be served at the intermission, courtesy of Kentwood Players

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

About the Director

Kathleen Chapin – Kathleen is a graduate of UCLA, the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, and South Coast Repertory's professional conservatory. This is her directorial debut at Kentwood Players. Many thanks to her brilliant cast and crew, and a special thanks to De Cotter, Sheldon Metz, and her beautiful daughter, Emma.

About the Producer

De Cotter – De is a long time member of Kentwood Players. She is excited to be working with Kathleen and this design team, staff, cast and crew. It has been a joyful experience.

About the Designers

Tony Pereslete – Tony has been in Kentwood Players for two years and has contributed his craftsmanship to many of the sets.

Tom Brophrey – A member since 1971, Tom is currently Programs and Postcards chairman. He has designed lights for KP shows starting with *Night Watch* in 1974, most recently for *Rain*. He received the first Marcom Masque Award for lighting design for *Veronica's Room* in 1980 and has received three more since then.

Susan Stangl – Susan won an award for sound design for *Forty Carats* at KP. She also wrote original music for *The Elephant Man*, *Blood Brothers*, for shows at Palos Verdes Players. She also acts.

Alison Mayer-Nesti – Grand niece of Louis B. Mayer, founder of MGM, and daughter of film and TV director Gerald Mayer, Allison has worked on costumes for both film and live theater. Her credits include the AFI film *Ones*, *The Mikado* at the Morgan Wixson, *Fortinbras* at Theatre Palisades and *The Essential Bond* at the California Institute of Technology. She has also coordinated costumes for industrial festivals and has worked in many areas of the fashion industry.

Lori Marple-Pereslete -- A member of Kentwood Players for two years, Lori comes with over 18 years experience in live television production and amateur theater.

About the Cast

Jerad Callen (Robert) – Jerad is excited to be performing in one of his favorite plays with such a wonderful cast. You may recognize him from *The Matchmaker* where he played Cornelius. His favorite role is Billy in *Behold a Pale Bronco*. This performance is dedicated to his Rejershnivit and the Nickel People.

Lisa Graham (Jacqueline) – Lisa moved here from Minnesota 2½ years ago to attend the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. She recently graduated with an AA in acting. Lisa is very excited to make her debut on the Westchester Playhouse stage and be a part of Kentwood Players.

Lira Kellerman (Suzanne) – Ms. Kellerman was recently asked to help write and direct “The V Show 2003” at Chapman University, where it will be presented as part of the KCACTF College Theatre Festival. She is also a member of the Writer’s Group of Studio City. This is Ms. Kellerman’s theatrical debut in Los Angeles.

Dave Parke (George) – Dave has been an active member of Kentwood since 1997 and is currently the Season Subscriptions Chairman. (Just a reminder season subscriptions can be purchased at the box office or over the phone.) He would like to thank his wife and son for letting him continue to have “more fun than any human being should be allowed to have” and this great and very funny cast and crew.

Laura Renault (Suzette) – Laura is happy to make her first appearance with Kentwood Players. Other favorite stage roles include Kate in *Dancing at Lughnasa*, Mrs. Terence in *Night Must Fall*, and most recently as Nurse Ratched in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest*. Television and movie features include *The Division*, *Curb Your Enthusiasm*, *Star Trek Enterprise* and *Planet of the Apes*. She can be seen as Young Jack Fate’s Mother in the upcoming summer release of *Masked & Anonymous*. Originally from Connecticut, she continues to study locally and has attended both the Adult and Professional Conservatories at South Coast Repertory Theatre.

Jason Schlatter (Bernard) – Jason Schlatter was recently on stage at the New Globe Theatre in London, where he was immediately escorted offstage and back to his tour group. His latest performance, however, was as Frank Gardiner in *Mrs. Warren’s Profession*. His stage credits, from Kalamazoo to L.A. and points in between, include lead roles in *Romeo and Juliet*, *Beau Jest*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Stage Struck*, *Sherlock’s Last Case* and a myriad of other fun and fantastical adventures. Although he’s not a doctor, Jason has played one on TV in the NBC soap opera *Sunset Beach*. His mug has also been seen throughout various national television commercials hawking anything from beer to video games. In this current venture he’s suffered through harridans, mudslinging, cajoling, drowning attempts, scars, bruising, hair loss, dry rot, one smashed pinky toe, three cracked ribs, two broken thumbs, more bad puns than you can shake a stick at, and the hangnail ... and wouldn’t have missed it for the world.

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and the cast and crew of *Don't Dress for Dinner*

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Barbara Brophrey, Maria and Michael Cohen, Linda and Dave Parke,
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Kiss Me Kate

Music and Lyrics by Cole Porter
Book by Bella and Samuel Spewack
July 11 – August 23, 2003
Director: Max Heldring Stormes

Dial "M" for Murder

A Mystery by
Frederick Knott
September 12 – October 18, 2003
Director: Philip Brickey

The Supporting Cast

A Comedy by
George Furth
November 7 – December 13, 2003
Director: Gail Bernardi

City of Angels, A Musical

Book by Larry Gelbart,
Music by Cy Coleman and
Lyrics by David Zippel
January 9 – February 21, 2004
Director: Victoria Miller

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