

Taking the Stage
SINCE 1969
Mizzou's
Larry D. Clark
Summer Repertory Theatre



Theatre presents

Comedies
in
Concert

Studio 4
June 1
7:00 pm

2022

Comedies *in* Concert

BUG

by Lainie Vansant, directed by David A. Crespy

Cast

UGG.....	Michael Frimpong
GRUG.....	Suzanne Burgoyne
BUG.....	Bridget Caddell
MAA.....	Nora Dietzel
PAA.....	Charles Knocke
CAMMY.....	Paige Flottman
STAGE DIRECTIONS.....	David Crespy

INTERMISSION

SAVE US, SPACE COWBOY!

by Ellison Land, directed by David A. Crespy

Cast

SPACE COWBOY.....	Suzanne Burgoyne
THE HOPELESS.....	Bridget Caddell
THE CAPITALIST.....	Michael Frimpong
THE MICROACTIVIST.....	Nora Dietzel
STAGE DIRECTIONS.....	Charles Knocke

THE VIDEOTAPING OR MAKING OF ELECTRONIC OR OTHER AUDIO AND/OR VISUAL RECORDINGS OF THIS PRODUCTION OR DISTRIBUTING RECORDINGS ON ANY MEDIUM, INCLUDING THE INTERNET, IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED, A VIOLATION OF THE AUTHOR'S RIGHTS AND ACTIONABLE UNDER UNITED STATES COPYRIGHT LAW.

Director's Notes

The Comedies-in-Concert series was inspired by the notion of MU's Summer Repertory Theatre itself—giving our student and faculty playwrights a taste of what it's like to professionally entertain a summer audience outside of our regular academic theatre season.

Beginning in 2001 with Kate Berneking Kogut's *Carol and the Cowboy*, we've presented several new comedies in concert performance every summer, and we give ourselves a particular challenge—to stage the plays as concert performances in just one day. Any actor, director, or playwright who has been involved with the SRT Comedies-in-Concert can tell you, it's a dizzying day of theatre.

This morning we read through the play—just to get our bearings, explore the characters, and raise questions with the playwright. We shared our costumes and props ideas—and then tonight we perform the show for you, with no other rehearsal, no tech, just a script in hand, stools, music stands, and a small prayer. And magically, it always works! A mystery of the theatre—dosed with just a drop of adrenalin!

This year we're very pleased to feature two new plays that are written for young audiences. On June 1st we'll feature Lainie Vansant's *Bug*, which is a contemporary version of Three Billy Goat's Gruff based upon the Norwegian folk tale, and Ellison Land's *Save Us, Space Cowboy!*, a play about unregulated mining taking place in the Wild West of outer space. Both of our playwrights are Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF) award-winning dramatists. Lainie, an MU Theatre PhD Alum, was a regional

finalist in the 2018 Region 5 John Cauble One-Act Play Festival with their play *Shiver and Shake* (also later produced regionally), and Ellison, who graduated this year from our undergraduate theatre program, was a national semifinalist in the Rosa Parks Award competition, with their play *I'll Be Seeing You*.

We've had an exciting and fun-packed ride with the Larry D. Clark Summer Repertory Theatre's Comedies-in-Concert and we've been very grateful to have such a wonderfully supportive, and adventurous audience to join us. Please enjoy our comedies this summer, whipped up to a froth in a single day, and just duck if you see an actor's shoe or miscellaneous prop flying your way (virtually, of course) —it's all in the spirit of comedy!

—David Crespy

MU Department of Theatre Faculty

Kevin Brown, Associate Professor
 M. Heather Carver, Professor, Department Chair
 David Crespy, Professor
 Les Gray, Assistant Professor
 Mimi Hedges, Associate Teaching Professor
 Joy Powell, Associate Teaching Professor
 Claire Syler, Assistant Professor
 Marc W. Vital II, Assistant Professor

A Campus Tradition...

for over 50 years.
 Casual Comfortable Atmosphere
 on the MU Campus.

COME AND ENJOY OUR
 ROOFTOP PATIO!



Entrees • Sandwiches • Happy Hour • Appetizers • Beer

410 S. Ninth Street • (573) 449-6927
www.theheidelberg.com

Stage Door Club

Your support of the Stage Door Club helps keep the curtain rising on live theatre at Mizzou!

Your generosity will help recruit and enroll new MU Theatre Department students; fund students' travel to regional festivals where they showcase their achievements and win awards; create professional-quality set, lighting and costume design; and bring noted theatre and guest artists to the MU campus. Become a part of MU Theatre's traditional and cutting-edge productions at the Rhynsburger Theatre and Studio 4 with your gift today!

To donate online anytime, please scan the code:



Or donate by check to:

MU Dept of Theatre, 129 Fine Arts,
 University of Missouri, Columbia MO 65211
 Thank you!

LDCSRT Technical Crew and Staff

Artistic Director.....	Heather Carver
Artistic Director of LCSRT.....	Joy Powell
Director of Production.....	Mimi Hedges
Head of Costumes.....	Jennifer VanBuskirk
Stage Managers.....	Emilyn Creamer, Tricia Carver-Horner, Austin Hultz
Lighting Design.....	Jake Price, Kellen Sapp
Technical Assistants.....	Eliza Brooks, Jake Price, Austin Hultz, Haley Frazer, Cyan Crockett, Ella Ilg, Harlow Bunten, Ben Tatum, Grant Rust, Kellen Sapp
Costume Shop Staff.....	Lida Alftooney, Manda Apony-Moriarity, Mackenzie Miller
Academic Advisors.....	Alex Anderson, Jennifer Bloss
Box Office Manager.....	Jabarbara Jennings
Business Affairs.....	Pat Garmon
Graphic Design.....	Dory Colbert



Theatre
University of Missouri

Scholarship Recipients 2022-2023

Richard And Patricia Wallace Endowment For The Arts River Pich, Symonne Sparks
Donovan and Peggy Rhynsburger Scholarship Dacia Slater
Terry Perkins Comic Actress Scholarship Justice Thompson
Sol Feinstone Technical Theatre Award Hayley Frazier
John Ross Berneche Acting Scholarship Caleb Jared, Evan Gagliardo
Tom Berenger Acting Scholarship Reggie Coleman
James M. Miller Musical Theatre Scholarship Aaliyah Jones
Richard M. Hennessy Scholarship Gabriel Levi
George C. Scott Memorial Acting Scholarship Payton Woodruff
Dan Springer Memorial Scholarship Ayanna Taylor
Freshman Special Talent Scholarship Alyssa Russell, Ian McPherson
Jon Hamm Scholarship Brandon Riley
Dr. Marcia Berry Memorial Scholarship De'Janna Scales-Hand
Artist-Citizenship Award Eliza Brooks
Carla Waal Johns Award Irene Gasarah
Frances McCurdy Memorial Scholarship Josh Saboorizadeh



Stories matter.
Come experience the ones we tell.

The Cat in the Hat

Based on the Book by Theodor Geisel (Dr. Seuss)
Adapted and Originally Directed by Katie Mitchell
Director, Kasey Lynch
Studio 4, June 9 - 12

AIDA

Music by Elton John, Lyrics by Tim Rice
Book by Linda Woolverton, Robert Falls, David Henry Hwang
Directed by Scott Koonce
Rhynsbarger Theatre, June 23 - July 3

Taking the Stage
SINCE 1969
Mizzou's
Larry D. Clark
Summer Repertory Theatre

theatre.missouri.edu

Follow Mizzou Theatre
on Facebook
facebook.com/MizzouTheatre

Check our website for more
information about the shows
and downloadable programs.