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Hosted by Julie Halston and Bruce Vilanch

Opening Presentation: "Off-Broadway" and "It Sucks to Be Me"
Written by Gerard Alessandrini
Performed by Ron Bohmer, Megan E. Lewis, Jason Mills, and Jennifer Simard

Outstanding Revival Presented by Marsha Mason

Outstanding Solo Show Presented by Sarah Chalke

Outstanding Body of Work Recipient: Irish Repertory Theatre Presented by Marian Seldes

Musical Presentation: "Lone Star Love" from Lone Star Love

Outstanding Choreographer Presented by Brad Oscar

Outstanding Director Presented by Christopher Ashley

Musical Presentation: "My Unfortunate Erection" from The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Outstanding Design Awards
Sound & Lighting Design
Presented by The Cast of Stomp:
Stephanie Marshall, Keith "Wild Child" Middleton, Jason Mills, and Fiona Wilkes

Off-Broadway Impression: Cello Sweep
Written by Anna Deavere Smith
Performed by Autumn Dornfeld, Francesca Harper,
Sanjiv Jhaveri, Linda Powell, Andrew Ross

Outstanding Costume Design Presented by Barrett Foa

Outstanding Scenic Design Presented by Barrett Foa

Off-Broadway Impression: The Great Off-White Way
Written by Mark Hollmann and Greg Kotis
Performed by David Beach and Kevin Kern

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> Outstanding Featured Actress Presented by Brian F. O'Byrne

Outstanding Featured Actor Presented by Martha Plimpton

Off-Broadway Impression: Nina
Written by Charles Busch
Performed by Theresa Aceves

Outstanding Lead Actress
Presented by Jill Eikenberry and Michael Tucker

Outstanding Lead Actor Presented by Anna Paquin

Musical Presentation: "Gladys Gutzman" from Junie B. Jones

Edith Oliver Award for Sustained Excellence Recipient: Frances Sternhagen Presented by Tom Aldredge

> Playwrights' Sidewalk Inductee Recipient: Charles Ludlam Presented by Charles Busch

Musical Presentation: "We Are the Altar Boyz" from Altar Boyz

Outstanding Play Presented by Timothy Daly

Outstanding Musical Presented by Jack O'Brien

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On behalf of all of your colleagues, we join in the applause.

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MASTERS OF CEREMONIES







BRUCE VILANCH

Julie Halston

Broadway: Recent credits include *Gypsy, Twentieth Century* (Outer Critics Circle nom.), *The Women*. Off-B'way: *White Chocolate, The Butter and Egg Man, The Vagina Monologues* and numerous others. A founding member of Charles Busch's company, she co-starred in many productions, including *The Lady in Question* and *Red Scare on Sunset* (Drama Desk nom.). Miss Halston is best known on television as Bitsy Von Muffling on "Sex and the City" and is a multi-award winning standup comedienne.

Bruce Vilanch

Just completed a year of ironing in the national tour of Hairspray. In his other life, Bruce is one of the most sought-after comedy writers working today, having written for the most popular entertainers in the world and virtually every awards show, including the "Quadruple Crown" of awards shows- The Oscars, The Emmys, The Tonys, and The Grammys- co-writing 15 Academy Awards telecasts and winning six Emmy Awards. Recently seen gracing the cover of his book, Bruce! My Adventures in the Skin Trade Other Essays, and in his documentary, Get Bruce!, he is also known for his four seasons on "Hollywood Squares," and for his one-man show, which he continues to perform when bearded. Bruce has also appeared in It Nearly Wasn't Christmas, The Morning After, "Bosom Buddies," Ice Pirates, and Call Me Claus. Bruce devotes endless hours working with such charitable organizations as the Anti-Defamation League, National Foundation for Jewish Culture, and AIDS organizations, including AIDS project Los Angles, Project Angel Food, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Project Inform, and countless others as part of his personal contribution to surviving what he terms "the plague."

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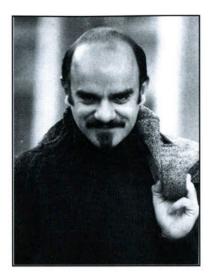
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PLAYWRIGHTS' SIDEWALK INDUCTEE



CHARLES LUDLAM

In 1967 Charles Ludlam was one of the founders of New York City's Ridiculous Theatrical Company. As Artistic Director Charles guided the company until his untimely death from AIDS in 1987. Charles dedicated his life to The Ridiculous Theatrical Company. He was an actor, a director, a designer and principle playwright for the company, a company that exclusively produced his plays. Over 20 years the Company produced over 30 plays written by and starring Charles Ludlam, including Big Hotel, Conquest of the Universe, Bluebeard, Corn, Camille, Stage Blood, Der Ring Gott Farblonjet, The Ventriloquist's Wife, The Enchanted Pig, Reverse Psychology, Secret Lives of the Sexists, Le Bourgeois Avant Garde, Galas, The Mystery of Irma Vep, and The Artificial Jungle. Charles earned many awards during his career. He received OBIE awards for his performances as Pa McCoy in Corn and Marguerite Gautier in Camille. Charles also received an OBIE as well as a Drama Desk Award for his portrayals of Lady Enid and Nicodemus Underwood in The Mystery of Irma Vep. In 1987 Charles was also awarded an OBIE for distinguished Achievement in the Theatre. Charles also received a Guggenheim Playwrighting Fellowship as well as a National Endowment for the Arts grant which allowed him to write Secret Lives of the Sexist and Exquisite Torture. Using bawdy, shameless humor and a larger than life stage presence Charles Ludlam guided The Ridiculous Theatrical Company's rise from an out of the way avant-garde theatre to a major attraction and a theatrical influence. His works are his greatest gifts he gave his public.



Charles Ludlam & Lola Pashalinski in a scene from Bluebeard.



APPLAUDS AND CONGRATULATES THE 2005 LUCILLE LORTEL AWARDS NOMINEES

"Some men see things as they are, and say, 'Why?' I dream of things that never were, and say, 'Why not?'"

George Bernard Shaw, Irish Playwright

Charlotte Moore, Artistic Director Ciarán O'Reilly, Producing Director

OUTSTANDING BODY OF WORK



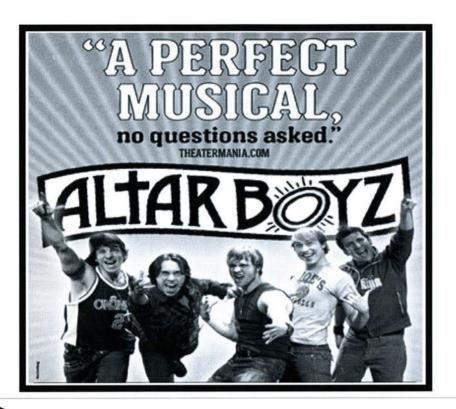
IRISH REPERTORY THEATER

Founded by Ciarán O'Reilly and Charlotte Moore, The Irish Repertory Theatre opened its doors in September 1988 with a production of Sean O'Casey's *The Plough and the Stars*. From modest beginnings, The Irish Repertory Theatre has grown to a company of more than one hundred affiliate artists producing a year-round calendar of theatrical offerings. The company draws its artistic participants from the richest talent in New York City and around the world, many of whom have been honored by Tony, Lucille Lortel, OBIE, Drama Desk, Outer Critic's Circle, Emmy and Academy awards and nominations. Irish and Irish-American actors form the core of the company's casting to achieve interpretations with a native understanding.

A unique cultural treasure in the heart of New York City, The Irish Repertory Theatre provides outstanding professional theatre as well as a vital gateway to Irish culture both here and abroad. Winner of the New York Drama Desk Award for "Excellence in Presenting Distinguished Irish Drama," and the Lucille Lortel Award for "Outstanding Body of Work." The mission of The Irish Repertory Theatre is to bring works by Irish and Irish American masters and contemporary playwrights to a broad American audience, to provide a context for understanding the Irish American experience; and, through its studio theatre space, to encourage the development of new works focusing on the Irish and Irish American experience, as well as a range of other cultures.



Melissa Errico & Malcom Gets in a scene from Finian's Rainbow.



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SPELLING BE

Music and lyrics by WILLIAM FINN Book by RACHEL SHEINKIN Conceived by REBECCA FELDMAN

> Choreographed by DAN KNECHTGES Directed by JAMES LAPINE

THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE Outstanding Musical

JAMES LAPINE Outstanding Director

DAN KNECHTGES Outstanding Choreographer

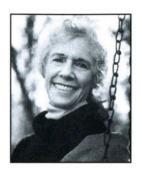
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FRANCES STERNHAGEN

Frances Sternhagen is currently starring on Broadway as Clairee in Robert Harling's Steel Magnolias. Off-Broadway recently: The Foreigner, The Old Lady Shows Her Medals, Talking Heads, The Exact Center of the Universe. Broadway: Morning's at Seven. Nominated seven times for a Tony Award, she has received it twice, for The Good Doctor and The Heiress. Other Broadway appearances: Equus, On Golden Pond, Grownups, Angel. Off-Broadway: Long Day's Journey Into Night, Driving Miss Daisy, Remembrance, A Perfect Ganesh, The Admirable Bashville (Obie, Clarence Derwent Award), Misalliance, The Country Wife, The Pinter Plays (Obie), Ulysses in Nighttown, Laughing Stock, Playboy of the Western World, Enemies, The Return of Herbert Bracewell. She has also received Drama League and Dramatists Guild Awards. Film: Hospital, Starting Over, Outland, Misery, Doc Hollywood, Raising Cain. TV: "Sex and the City," "Cheers," "ER," "Law & Order," "Golden Years," "The Road Home," "Tales From the Crypt" and others. A grateful member of Actors' Equity Association.

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OFF-BROADWAY IMPRESSIONS

Director, Leigh Silverman Dramaturg, Kate Loewald

Cello Sweep by Anna Deavere Smith

1993 Recipient, Outstanding Lead Actress, Fires in the Mirror

Anna Deavere Smith is an actor who has performed on television, in film, on the Broadway stage and Off-Broadway. She has won many awards for her work in the theater, including two Obies, two Tony nominations and the prestigious MacArthur Award. Ms. Smith is the founding director of the Institute on the Arts and Civic Dialogue, dedicated to creating art for social change. Ms. Smith is a tenured professor at New York University, with an appointment to Tisch School of the Arts and an affiliation with the NYU School of Law.



The Great Off-White Way by Mark Hollmann and Greg Kotis

2002 Recipients, Outstanding Musical, Urinetown

Mark Hollmann won a 2002 Tony Award and a 2001 Obie Award and received two Drama Desk nominations for his music and lyrics to *Urinetown*, which also won a Lucille Lortel Award for outstanding Off-Broadway musical. He also wrote music and lyrics for *Jack the Chipper, I Think I Can and Deal with It!*, Fare for All, and Kabooooom!

Greg Kotis wrote the book and co-wrote the lyrics for *Urinetown* (the Musical). Other plays include *Eat the Taste* and *Pig Farm*. Greg is developing two musicals including *The Man in the White Suit*, and an as yet untitled entertainment that takes place on the bottom of the primordial sea.



Mark Hollmann

Nina

by Charles Busch

2000 Playwrights' Sidewalk Inductee

Charles Busch is the author and star of such plays as *The Lady in Question, Red Scare on Sunset* and *Vampire Lesbians of Sodom*, which ran five years and is one of the longest running plays in Off-Broadway history. His play *The Tale of the Allergist's Wife* ran for 777 performances on Broadway and won Mr. Busch the Outer Circle Critics John Gassner Award and received a Tony nomination for Best Play. He wrote and starred in the film versions of his plays, *Psycho Beach Party* and *Die Mommie Die* the latter of which won him the Best Performance Award at the Sundance Film Festival.



Off-Broadway

by Gerard Alessandrini

1997 Outstanding Body Of Work

In 1982, **Gerard Alessandrini** created and wrote *Forbidden Broadway*, which has spawned 15 editions, seven cast albums and a 21-year-and-counting run in New York. Gerard is the recipient of an Obie Award, an Outer Critics Circle Award, two Lucille Lortel Awards and four Drama Desk Awards, and a lifetime achievement award from the Drama League.





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Thanks to the cast and crew for all your hard work and success!



OUTSTANDING PLAY

After Ashley

by Gina Gionfriddo

Producer: Vineyard Theatre

Gina Gionfriddo's plays include *After Ashley* (Vineyard Theatre, NY and Humana Festival, Actors Theatre of Louisville; 2005 ATCA/Steinberg Citation); *U.S. Drag* (Connecticut Repertory and Clubbed Thumb, NY; Susan Smith Blackburn Prize) and *Guinevere* (O'Neill Playwrights Conference). She has received The Helen Merrill Award for Emerging Playwrights and a 2005 Guggenheim Fellowship.

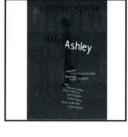
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Doubt

by John Patrick Shanley

Producer: Manhattan Theatre Club

John Patrick Shanley's plays include Danny & The Deep Blue Sea, Italian American Reconciliation, Four Dogs and a Bone, Beggars in the House of Plenty, Psychopathia Sexualis, Where's My Money?, and Dirty Story. His eight screenplays include Live From Baghdad, Five Corners, Alive, and Joe Versus the Volcano, which he also directed. He received the Writers Guild of America Award and an Academy Award for best original screenplay for Moonstruck.



DOUBT

Going to St. Ives

by Lee Blessing

Producer: Primary Stages

Author of over twenty plays including A Walk in the Woods, Cobb, Thief River, Down the Road, Chesapeake and Eleemosynary. His work was featured in the 1992-93 Signature Theatre season. Upcoming world-premieres: A Body of Water at the Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis and The Scottish Play at La Jolla Playhouse. He is the head of graduate playwriting at Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers University.



Intimate Apparel

by Lynn Nottage

Producer: Roundabout Theatre Company

A Stone's Throw/The Antigone Project (The Women's Project), Fabulation or, the Re-Education (Playwrights Horizons), Intimate Apparel (Roundabout Theatre Company, South Coast Rep and Center Stage). Awards include: 2004 NY Drama Critics Circle, Outer Critics Circle Best Play and John Gassner, American Theatre Critics/Steinberg 2004, 2004 Francesca Primus and AUDELCO. She is the recipient the 2004 PEN/Laura Pels Award and a 2005 Guggenheim fellowship. She is a resident member of New Dramatists.



Orson's Shadow

by Austin Pendleton

Producer: PlanetEarth Partners & Scott Morfee

In addition to *Orson's Shadow*, Mr. Pendleton has written *Booth* (published by Samuel French) and *Uncle Bob* (Dramatists Play Service). He is also an actor (in theatre, film and television), a director and at New York's HB Studio, a teacher of acting.



OUTSTANDING MUSICAL



Altar Boyz

Book by Kevin Del Aguila, Music & Lyrics by Gary Adler and Michael Patrick Walker, Conceived by Ken Davenport & Marc Kessler

Producer: Ken Davenport and Robyn Goodman, in association with Walt Grossman, Ruth Hendel, Sharon Karmazin, Matt Murphy and Mark Shacket

Kevin Del Aguila is also the writer and director of the acclaimed comedy 6 Story Building, which took the top award at the New York International Fringe Festival in 2002, and Number One: A Pollock Painting. Other plays include The Terror of Tinseltown, Crime and Crime Again, The Greekest of Tragedies and A Touch of Rigor Mortis, which he also directed for the NY Fringe.

Gary Adler discovered theater at age ten upon seeing a community theater production of *Oklahoma!* Since then, he has worked as a pianist/musical director in NYC on such shows as *The Fantasticks, Nunsense, Urinetown*, and *Avenue Q* (for which he also composed incidental music). *Altar Boyz* marks his off-Broadway composing debut.

Altar Boyz is Michael Patrick Walker's first professional outing as a composer/lyricist. As a musician/conductor on Broadway, his credits include: Avenue Q (Conductor); Wicked; Thoroughly Modern Millie; and La Bohème. He is honored to be nominated for his work on Altar Boyz. Thanks to Gary, Stafford And Kevin For Their Collaboration.

Ken Davenport is currently represented Off - Broadway by *The Awesome '80s Prom*, which he created and directed (www.awesome80sprom.com). Ken was the Director of Creative Development for NETworks and won the 2003 Acclaim Screenwriting Award for his TV pilot, "I.C.A." Member, BMI Librettist workshop.

Marc Kessler is a member of the Manhattan Rhythm Kings, who were most recently featured Off-Broadway in Tommy Tune's White Tie and Tails. Pre-Kings, Marc performed at Goodspeed and North Shore. Marc's a proud graduate of the University of Michigan Music School and an even prouder husband to director Casey Hushion.

"We Are the Altar Boyz"

Performed by Ryan Duncan, David Josefsberg, Andy Karl, Tyler Maynard, Scott Porter



Junie B. Jones

Book and Lyrics by Marcy Heisler, Music by Zina Goldrich

Producer: TheatreworksUSA

Bookwriter/Lyricist Marcy Heisler and Composer Zina Goldrich have been collaborating since 1993, and are past recipients of ASCAP's Richard Rodgers New Horizons Theatre Award. In addition to Junie B. Jones, they co-authored Dear Edwina, Allison Under The Stars, Adventures in Love and The Marcy and Zina Show. They are currently writing songs for Winnie the Pooh at Disney's Toon Studios. In 2004, they published their first songbook, Goldrich and Heisler, Vol. 1.

"Gladys Gutzman"

Performed by Jill Abramovitz, Mary Faber, Keara Hailey, Michael McCoy, Darius Nichols, Adam Overett

OUTSTANDING MUSICAL

(continued)

Lone Star Love

Conceived and Adapted by John L. Haber Music and Lyrics by Jack Herrick Producer: Amas Musical Theatre

John L. Haber has collaborated with The Red Clay Ramblers since *Diamond Studs*, the inaugural 1975 production upstairs at the Westside Theatre. He was a creator and director of *Frimbo* (mounted in Grand Central Terminal) and *King Mackerel* and *The Blues Are Running*. He is long-standing Director of Special Events for the Dodgers.

Jack Herrick, Artistic Director of The Red Clay Ramblers. Shows include A Lie of the Mind, Far North and Silent Tongue. Tar Heel Voices, Cool Spring, Kudzu, Ear Rings Munci Meg, Glory Bound, Wilder, Children's musicals include Johnny Appleseed, The Legend of Sleepy Hollow and Bah Humbug. With Bill Irwin, Dave Shiner and the Ramblers, the Tony Award-winning Fool Moon.



Performed by Kevin Bernard, Shane Braddock, Peter Connelly, Stacia Fernandez, Harriett D. Foy, Asmeret Ghebremichael, Stacey Harris, Beth Leavel, Drew McVety, Joe Mahowald, Jay O. Sanders, Dan Sharkey, Nick Sullivan, Julie Tolivar, Brandon Williams, Dana Zihlman, and the Red Clay Ramblers

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Music and Lyrics by William Finn, Book by Rachel Sheinkin, Conceived by Rebecca Feldman

Producer: Second Stage Theatre

William Finn is the writer/composer of Falsettos (two Tony Awards), In Trousers (L.A. Drama Critics Award), March of the Falsettos (Outer Critics Circle Award for outstanding Musical, L.A. Drama Critics Award), Falsettoland (two Drama Desk Awards and Lucille Lortel Award, Best Musical), Elegies: A Song Cycle, Romance in Hard Times and A New Brain

Rachel Sheinkin's recent productions include *Striking 12*, book and lyrics for *Blood Drive*, and for *Serenade* (NYU alumni New Voices award). She is currently collaborating on the new GrooveLily musical, *Wheelhouse*, and writing a play, *Ten Plagues*. Rachel is an adjunct faculty member at NYU's Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program

Rebecca Feldman conceived, directed, and performed in *C-R-E-P-U-S-C-U-L-E*, the play upon which *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* is based, with her company The Farm. She worked on the development of *Spelling Bee* and directed the production at Barrington Stage Company. She has directed and performed in New York and regionally.

"My Unfortunate Erection" Performed by Willis White

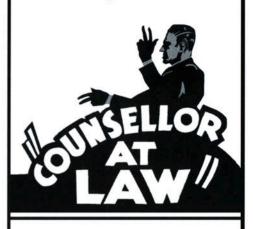




The Peccadillo Theater Company, celebrating its 10th Anniversary, would like to congratulate the Lucille Lortel Awards on their 20th Anniversary, and John Rubinstein on his nomination as **Outstanding Actor!**

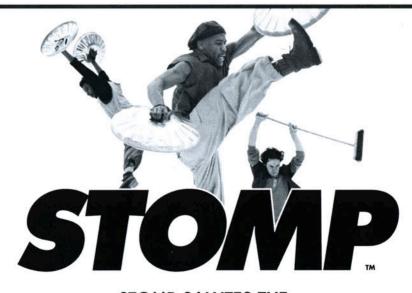
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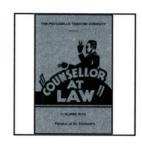
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by Elmer Rice Produced by Peccadillo Theater Company



Engaged

by W.S. Gilbert Produced by Theatre for a New Audience



Finian's Rainbow

Book by E.Y. Harburg and Fred Saidy Music by Burton Lane, Lyrics by E.Y. Harburg Produced by Irish Repertory Theatre



Hedda Gabler

by Henrik Ibsen, Translation by Christopher Hampton Produced by New York Theatre Workshop



Hurlyburly

by David Rabe Produced by The New Group



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OUTSTANDING SOLO SHOW



Nine Parts of Desire

Starring and Written by Heather Raffo Producer: Manhattan Ensemble Theater



Heather Raffo is the writer and performer of *Nine Parts of Desire*, which is in its eighth, sold-out month Off-Broadway at Manhattan Ensemble Theater. Ms. Raffo won a Special Commendation from the 2005 Susan Smith Blackburn Prize Committee, and is a recipient of the 2005 Marian Seldes/Garson Kanin Fellowship.



The Two and Only

Starring and Written by Jay Johnson

Produced by Atlantic Theater Company in association with Roger Alan Gindi, Stewart F. Lane & Bonnie Comley, Dan Whitten, Herbert Goldsmith Productions, and WetRock Entertainment

Jay Johnson first received national attention as "Chuck and Bob" on the classic television series "Soap". A professional ventriloquist since age eleven, Mr. Johnson has enchanted audiences around the world. In *The Two And Only*, Jay deconstructs and demonstrates this ancient and mystical art form in his personal journey from apprentice to mentor.

Playwrights Horizons salutes the Lucille Lortel Awards for honoring the best of Off-Broadway for the last twenty years.

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PLAYWRIGHTS HORIZONS

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Jo Bonney, Fat Pig

Christopher Shinn's On the Mountain (Playwrights Horizons); Neil LaBute's Fat Pig (MCC); Lisa Loomer's Living Out (Second Stage); Universes' Slanguage (NYTW/ Mark Taper); Lanford Wilson's Fifth of July (Signature Theatre) (Lortel Award); Jose Rivera's References to Salvador Dali Make Me Hot (The Public Theater); numerous productions of Eric Bogosian's work; Diana Son's Stop Kiss; Jessica Goldberg's Good Thing (The New Group); Danny Hoch's Some People and Jails, Hospitals & Hip-Hop (USA/Britain)



Scott Elliot, Hurlyburly

At The New Group (where he is founding Artistic Director): Aunt Dan and Lemon, Comedians, Smelling a Rat, Goose-Pimples, Ecstasy, What The Butler Saw, East is East, Hazelwood Jr. High, Curtains. Broadway: Present Laughter; The Women, and Three Sisters. Other: Kiki & Herb: Coup de Theatre, The Monogamist, The Ride Down Mt. Morgan and The End of the Day. Film: A Map of the World.



Doug Hughes, Doubt

Doug Hughes is resident director at MCC Theater, where he directed Last Easter, Scattergood, Frozen, and The Grey Zone (Obie Award and Drama Desk nomination), co-produced Wit and received the first-ever MCC Award. Recent credits includes Engaged (TFANA); Flesh and Blood (Callaway Award), The Beard of Avon, and A Question of Mercy, all at NYTW; Othello at the Public Theater; McReele for the Roundabout; John Guare's Lake Hollywood at Signature; and An Experiment with an Air Pump for MTC. For his work on Frozen, Hughes received Tony, Lortel, and OCC nominations.



James Lapine,

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee Broadway: Falsettos, Sunday In The Park With George, Into The Woods, Passion, The Diary Of Anne Frank, Golden Child, Dirty Blonde, and Amour. Off-Broadway: March Of The Falsettos, Falsettoland, A New Brain, A Winter's Tale, Table Settings, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Luck, Pluck & Virtue, and Modern Orthodox. Film: Impromptu, Life With Mikey, Earthly Possessions.

Daniel Sullivan, Intimate Apparel



Broadway: Brooklyn Boy, Sight Unseen, The Retreat From Moscow, Morning's at Seven, Proof, Major Barbara, A Moon for the Misbegotten, Ah, Wilderness!, An American Daughter, The Sisters Rosensweig, Conversations With My Father, The Heidi Chronicles, and I'm Not Rappaport. Off-Broadway credits include Intimate Apparel, In Real Life, Dinner With Friends, Proof, Ten Unknowns, Ancestral Voices, Spinning Into Butter, Far East, London Suite, The Substance of Fire, Psychopathia Sexualis, A Fair Country and An American Clock. Mr. Sullivan's film and television credits include The Substance of Fire and "Far East."

OUTSTANDING CHOREOGRAPHER

Christopher Gattelli, Altar Boyz

Previous Lucille Lortel Award recipient for Bat Boy: The Musical!, other Off-Bway: tick, tick...BOOM!. National tours: Godspell; Grease; ttB! As director/choreographer, the Broadway concert of Hair, A Charlie Brown Christmas with new music by Andrew Lippa, choreographed Chess with Josh Groban, a resident choreographer for "The Rosie O'Donnell Show," 2000 Tony Awards. Other favorites: Me and My Girl (Goodspeed), Adrift in Macao (NYS&F), and The Baker's Wife (Paper Mill Playhouse).



Devanand Janki, Junie B. Jones

Directed and choreographed Zanna, Don't (Lortel and Callaway awards). Also, Broadway concerts of Hair, Funny Girl and Dreamgirls (Assoc.). Other credits include Junie. B Jones, Cupid & Psyche, the operas Amahl and the Night Visitors and Babes in Toyland, Anything Goes in concert (Choreo. Assist) at Lincoln Center, One Man's Dream for Tokyo Disney, and regionally The Scarlet Pimpernel. He conceived and directed the 25th anniv. original cast reunion of A Chorus Line. Also, an opening number for Nothing Like a Dame, featuring Chita Rivera and 24 other "Anitas." Innumerable benefits, including 9 years with BC/EFA's Broadway Bares. Upcoming, the new musical Call It Courage. As a performer Dev has appeared on Broadway in Miss Saigon, Cats, The King & I, Side Show and tours of A Chorus Line and West Side Story.



Dan Knechtges,

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Spelling Bee (B'way, Second Stage, Barrington Stage), Hangar Theatre, Surflight Theater, Adobe Theatre Company, Indianapolis Opera, Harrisburg Opera, Opera Illinois. TV/Film - Fatboy Slim's music video "It's a Wonderful Night," Todd Solondz's film *Palindromes*. Member of the Lincoln Center Director's Lab. www.danknechtges.com



Barry McNabb, Finian's Rainbow

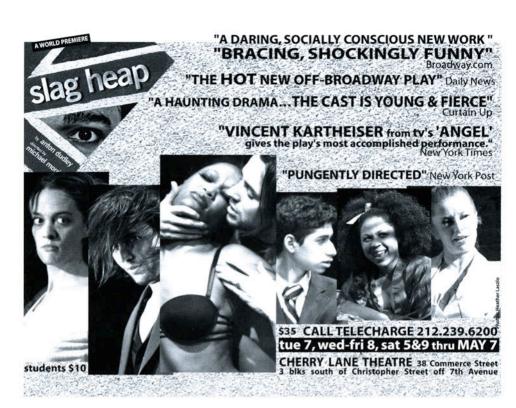
Off-Broadway; JP Shanley's *Sailor's Song* - LAByrinth Theater, *Porterphiles* - York Theatre, Circle Rep, Playhouse 91, CSC and others. International/Regional; *Chicago, West Side Story, Cuando Harry Encontro a Sally, Footloose, Joseph....* Also, Author/Director/Choreographer/Producer Broadway's Annual *Easter Bonnet* Competitions. Barry is currently appearing in *Trolls* at the Actors' Playhouse.



Randy Skinner, Lone Star Love

Credits include 42nd Street (Tony, Drama Desk, Outer Critics, Astaire nominations), State Fair (Outer Critics nomination), Ain't Broadway Grand (Tony, Outer Critics nominations), Irving Berlin's White Christmas, Do Re Mi (City Center Encores). He has received the LA Drama Critics, LA Dramalogue, Bay Area Critics, Connecticut Critics, and Cleveland Times Theatre Awards.







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OUTSTANDING LEAD ACTOR

Larry Bryggman, Romance

Larry Bryggman has trouble writing bios. He has been an actor in New York for close to 50 years, and has been seen On, Off and Off-Off Broadway as well as in films and on TV. He lives 45 miles from the city with his wife, Tracey, and two children, Ryan (5) and Riley (22 months). He is a member of the Atlantic Theatre Co.



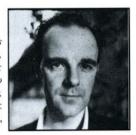
Ethan Hawke, Hurlyburly

Theater: Broadway - *The Seagull* (N.A.T.), *Hemy IV* (Lincoln Center); Off-Broadway - *Sophistry* (Playwrights Horizons), *The Late Hemy Moss* (Signature); Regional - Steppenwolf, Seattle Rep, Williamstown Theatre Festival; NY stage debut - Public Theater's *Cassanova*. He appeared in many productions at The Malaparte Theater, where he was Artistic Director and Co-founder. He has also starred in over 20 films.



Brían F. O'Byrne, Doubt

B'way: Frozen, The Lonesome West, The Beauty Queen of Leenane, The Sisters Rosensweig. Off-B'way: bedbound; Smelling a Rat; Hapgood; Marking, Grandchild of Kings; Seconds Out;. Ireland and London: The Leenane Trilogy; Hackney Office; Sharon's Grave; Good Evening, Mr. Collins; The Woman Who Walked Into Doors. Film: New World, Million Dollar Baby, Intermission, Easy, Mapmaker, Bandits, An Everlasting Piece, The Grey Zone, Disco Pies. TV: "Black Water Lightship," "Oz," "Amongst Women." Training: Trinity College, Dublin.



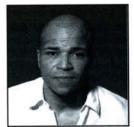
John Rubinstein, Counsellor-At-Law

John Rubinstein created the title role in the Broadway musical *Pippin*, and won the Tony and Drama Desk Awards for *Children of a Lesser God*. Other Broadway credits include *Ragtime*, *Fools*, *The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial*, *Hurlyburly*, *M. Butterfly*, *Getting Away With Murder*. TV series: "Family" and "Crazy Like A Fox."



Jeffrey Wright, This Is How It Goes

The Public: This Is How It Goes, Topdog/Underdog (Tony nomination, OBIE), Bring in 'Da Noise, Bring in 'Da Funk, Julius Caesar, King Lear, and Othello. He received Golden Globe and Emmy Awards for his performance in HBO's Angels in America (also Tony, Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards for his role in the Broadway production). Film: Lackawanna Blues, The Manchurian Candidate, Ali, Boycott, Shaft, Ride with the Devil, Cement and Basquiat.



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Ashlie Atkinson, Fat Pig

Ashlie Atkinson is a 2003 Neighborhood Playhouse graduate and is currently a recurring role on FX's "Rescue Me." A proud four-time ATrainPlay participant, she also skates for Gotham Girls Roller Derby. Ashlie is a founding member of the Bridge Theater Company and Mighty Yawp Productions.



Viola Davis, Intimate Apparel

Viola Davis has received critical acclaim in every medium - film, stage and television. Ms. Davis received the Tony for August Wilson's King Hedley II, as well as the Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards. She had previously been nominated for Tony and Drama Desk Awards for her performance in August Wilson's Seven Guitars which brought her an Outer Critics Circle Award as well as a Theatre World Award.



Cherry Jones, Doubt

Broadway: Doubt, The Heiress, Imaginary Friends, Major Barbara, A Moon for the Misbegotten, Our Country's Good and Angels in America. Off-Broadway and regional credits: Doubt, Flesh & Blood, Pride's Crossing, The Baltimore Waltz, Night of the Iguana, The Good Person Setzuan and 25 productions as a member of the American Repertory Theatre, including Twelfth Night, The Three Sisters, The Caucasian Chalk Circle and Lysistrata.



Judy Kaye, Souvenir

Broadway: *Phantom Of The Opera* (Tony Award), *Mamma Mia* (Tony Nomination), *Ragtime, On The 20Th Century, Grease, Oh, Brother, Candide* (NYCO), *The Pajama Game* (NYCO), *Brigadoon* (NYCO). Opera: *Orpheus In The Underworl, La Boheme, The Beggars Opera* (All For Santa Fe Opera). Concerts: With All Major Us Symphonies, as well as two performances at The White House.



Elizabeth Marvel, Hedda Gabler

Broadway: An American Daughter, Taking Sides. Off-Broadway: A Secondhand Memory, Hedda Gabler, Lydie Breeze, A Streetcar Named Desire, Shopping and Fucking, Play Yourself, Meshugah, Therese Raquin, Misalliance, Arts & Leisure, Troilus and Cressida, King Lear, Silence, Cunning, Exile. Regional: McCarter Theater, Guthrie Theater, American Repertory Theatre, Stratford Theatre Festival. Film & TV: 10 Hundred Kings, The Dying Gaul, "The District" (series regular), "Homicide," "New York Undercover," "A Will of Their Own." Training: Juilliard.



OUTSTANDING FEATURED ACTOR



Kevin Cahoon, The Foreigner

Theatre credits include, Broadway: Currently The Childcatcher - Chitty Chity Bang Bang, Ed - Lion King, Rocky Horror, Tommy; Off-Broadway: Ellard-Roundabout's Foreigner, Hedwig - Hedwig and The Angry Inch (San Francisco, Edinburgh, Boston), MTC's Wild Party, Woof - Hair and Peter -Babes In Arms, both Encores!; Regional: Guthrie, Berkshire Festival, NYStage and Film.



Dan Fogler,

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Theatre credits: The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Barrington Stage Company), Joe Fearless (Ford Theatre, NYC), Bridges and Harmonies (NYC Drama League), starred as Interrogator in Bobby Gould in Hell (Theatre Row), Warner Brothers' Scooby Doo/Stage Fright (National Tour), starred as Bane Barrington/Bill in The Voyage of the Carcass (Greenwich Street Theatre), The Detective Sketches (Lincoln Center), and created the William Barfee character in C-R-E-P-U-S-C-U-L-E (Theatorium, NYC).



Josh Hamilton, Hurlyburly

New York theater includes: Proof (Walter Kerr), Kenneth Lonergan's This Is Our Youth (The New Group), The Waverly Gallery (Promenade), As Bees in Honey Drown (Drama Dept.-Member), The Cider House Rules (Atlantic), Suburbia (LTC), Jonathan Marc Sherman's Women and Wallace (YPF) and Sons and Fathers (Malaparte-cofounder).



Logan Marshall-Green,

The Distance From Here

The Distance from Here, Turn of the Screw. Williamstown: Street Scene, Skin of Our Teeth, The Blue Bird, Up Ubu, Turn of the Screw, Light Up the Sky, Tonight at 8:30, The Hour We Knew Nothing of Each Other, Servant of Two Masters, Xanadu, The Rainmaker. Film: Alchemy, The Kindness of Strangers and The Great Raid. Television: "The O.C.," "24," "Law and Order" and "Law and Order: SVU".



Tyler Maynard, Altar Boyz

Tyler hails from New Carlisle, Ohio and is thrilled to be a part of *Altar Boyz*. Tyler's recent credits include *Mamma Mia* (Broadway), *On the Record* (1st national tour), *Bye Bye Birdie* (Encores!), *Good Vibrations* (NYS&F) and *Palindromes* (Jiminy) directed by Todd Solondz.

OUTSTANDING FEATURED ACTRESS

Jenn Harris, Modern Orthodox

NY: Plank Project, Pains of Youth, Sex*But, MY DEAH. Williamstown's God of Vengeance, Winter's Tale and Up Ubu. Film: A Plague of Tics (Cannes '03; Best short Comedy at NY Independent Film Festival) TV: "Law & Order: CI," "Guiding Light." Graduate of BU; Second City (Chicago).



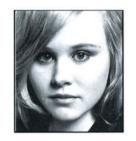
Adriane Lenox, Doubt

Adriane Lenox has appeared Off-Broadway in *Dinah Was* (Obie and Audelco Awards); *Spunk; Cavedweller; Miss Evers' Boys* and others. Her eight Broadway shows include *Ain't Misbehavin'; Dreamgirls; Kiss Me Kate* and *Doubt* among others. Regional recognitions: Helen Hayes Award and Bay Area Critics nomination. TV: "L & O" and "Third Watch."



Alison Pill, On the Mountain

New York Theater: None of the Above, Neil LaBute's The Distance From Here (2004 Drama Desk Award, Outstanding Ensemble Performance). Film: Pieces of April, Perfect Pie, Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen, Dear Wendy. TV: "Plain Truth," "An Unexpected Love," "Fast Food High," "The Pilot's Wife."



Parker Posey, Hurlyburly

Off-Broadway: Fifth of July (Lucille Lortel nom). Other theatre: John Patrick Shanley's Four Dogs and a Bone (LA premiere) and Taller Than A Dwarf (Broadway). Film: Personal Velocity (Spirit Award nom), A Mighty Wind, Best In Show, Waiting For Guffman, Blade: Trinity, The Sweetest Thing, The Anniversary Party, Scream 3, You've Got Mail, Dazed and Confused and The House Of Yes. TV: "Hell on Heels: The Battle of Mary Kay" (Golden Globe nom). She will next be seen in Superman, The OH in Ohio and Adam and Steve.



Jennifer Simard, Forbidden Broadway: SVU

The Thing About Men (Drama Desk and Drama League nomination), I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change (Drama Desk nomination). Television: "The King of Queens." Recordings: Several original cast recordings and "Sondheim at the Movies." Feature Films: Wish You Were Dead, The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas.



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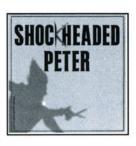
Shockheaded Peter

Julian Crouch is an Artistic Director of Improbable along with Phelim McDermott and Lee Simpson and has designed or directed all of their shows including 70 Hill Lane and Lifegame. He also designed The Theft of Sita for the Adelaide Festival and most recently, Jerry Springer: The Opera and A Funny Thing...Forum for the National.

Graeme Gilmour is a designer, maker and performer/puppeteer, working in many different aspects of the arts. He has designed and co-designed shows for theatre, outdoor spectacles, and street festivals. *Shockheaded Peter* was nominated for best set design at the Oliviers 2002, and awarded best design from the Critics Circle Theatre awards, 1998.



Nine Parts of Desire (Manhattan Ensemble Theater), Sakharam Binder, Trust (Play Company), The Cook (INTAR), Drizzle (Ma-Yi), Cocktail Time in Cuba (Cherry Lane), Hesh (Naked Angels). Opera: The Medium (Kaye Playhouse), Barab Times Two (NY Chamber Opera), The Tender Land (2005 Bard Summerscape). TV: "Brush Up Your Shakespeare," "Becoming American" (PBS, 2003 Emmy Nomination).





Derek McLane, Intimate Apparel

New York: the Tony winning I Am My Own Wife, Little Women, The Women, Present Laughter, London Assurance, Holiday, Honour, Hurlyburly, Aunt Dan and Lemon, The Creadeux Canvas, What the Butler Saw, East is East, subUrbia, The Waverly Gallery, Hello Again, Saturday Night, and Violet. The entire Sondheim Celebration at Kennedy Center, DC. Elsewhere in the United States: productions at most major resident theatres and operas. 1997 and 2004 OBIE Awards for Sustained Excellence in Scenic Design. Drama Logue Award, Michael Merritt Award, Chicago, 2003, 5 Drama Desk Nominations, and 2004 Lucille Lortel Award.



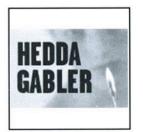
Neil Patel, Between Us

Broadway: Sideman, 'Night Mother. Off-Broadway: Here Lies Jenny, Dinner With Friends, Living Out, The Long Christmas Ride Home, The Beard Of Avon, Lydie Breeze, Resident Alien, A Question Of Mercy, Quills, Slavs, Lobster Alice, On The Mountain, The Grey Zone. 1996 and 2001 OBIE for Sustained Excellence.



JanVersweyved, Hedda Gabler

Designed Ivo van Hove's productions of *More Stately Mansions, A Streetcar Named Desire* and *Alice In Bed* as well as all the settings for van Hove's productions since 1981 (*Rumours*). Since 1990, he has been the resident scenographer at Het Zuidelijk Toneel, the leading Dutch ensemble. Mr. Versweyveld is also noted for his work with renowned Belgian choreographer Anne Teresa de Keersmaeker and her group Rosas, such as *Drumming Live*, which was performed at BAM and for which he won a Bessie Award.



OUTSTANDING COSTUME DESIGN



Alvin Colt, Forbidden Broadway: SVU

Forbidden Broadway's Costume Designer for the past decade, also costumed numerous Broadway hits and flops, 45 musicals 41 plays. A Tony Award winner nominated 4 times plus 4 times for TV's Emmy Award, recipient of the TDF/Irene Sharaff Lifetime Achievement Award, and membership in the Theatre Hall of Fame.



Anna Hannikainen, Slava's Snowshow

Anna Hannikainen has worked with Slava Polunin for several years and is an integral member of his team. She was delighted to collaborate with Slava in creating costumes for Slava's Snowshow.



Kevin Pollard, Shockheaded Peter

Based in Liverpool, Kevin has worked on *Shockheaded Peter* since its inception. He has also designed and made costumes for a variety of film and theatre companies. These include the National Theatre in London and the Welsh National Opera, as well as for independent and local theatre in the UK.



Anita Yavich, Švejk

Beast On The Moon (Century Center Theatre), Raw Boys (Wilma), Coriolanus and Švejk (TFANA). Tibet Through A Red Box (SCT), Anna In The Tropics (Broadway), Aladdin (Disneyland), Steve Reich's Three Tales (International Tour), Met: Les Troyens, Cyrano. Washington Opera: The Ring Cycle, Fidelio, S.F. Opera: Arsace Ii, HGO: Madame Butterfly, Tanglewood: Ainadamar Spoleto: The Flying Dutchman, The Silver River.



Catherine Zuber, Intimate Apparel

LCT: Dinner at Eight, Twelfth Night (Tony and Drama Desk nominations), Ivanov. Broadway: Little Women; Doubt; Frozen; Dracula; The Sound of Music; Triumph of Love; London Assurance; The Rose Tattoo; Philadelphia, Here I Come!; The Red Shoes. Off-Broadway: Intimate Apparel, Engaged, Beard of Avon, Far Away, many others. Recipient: 2003 and 2004 Henry Hewes Award for Design, 2004 Lucille Lortel Award, 2004 Ovation Award, 1997 OBIE Award for Sustained Achievement.

OUTSTANDING LIGHTING DESIGN

Christopher Akerlind, Belle Epoque

Christopher Akerlind (Lighting and Set Designer) Recent projects include *The Light in the Piazza* and *Reckless* on Broadway, *Belle Epoque* at the Mitzi Newhouse and *Well* at the Public. He received an OBIE for Sustained Excellence, the Michael Merritt Award for Design and Collaboration and numerous nominations for the Drama Desk, Lucille Lortel, Outer Critics Circle and Tony Awards.



Jules Fisher & Peggy Eisenhauer,

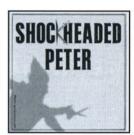
Dessa Rose

For LCT, their collaborations include Dessa Rose, A New Brain, Hello Again, Marie Christine and, for LCT on Broadway, Chronicle of a Death Foretold; as well as the Broadway productions of Ragtime and Dangerous Games. Off-Broadway and in the regions they have collaborated on world-premiere productions of Michael John LaChiusa's Little Fish, Nilo Cruz's Dancing on Her Knees and A Very Old Man With Enormous Wings. Fisher and Eisenhauer have received a combined 10 Tony Awards and 26 Tony Award Nominations. They celebrate a decade of inspiring collaboration with Graciela Daniele.



Jon Linstrom, Shockheaded Peter

Jon has been lighting designer and production manager on *Shockheaded Peter* since its inception. Other lighting design includes spells with Kenneth Branagh's Renaissance Theatre, Simon McBurney's Theatre de Complicite and many other leading UK devised theatre companies including The Right Size; Told By An Idiot and Improbable Theatre.



James Vermeulen, Mr. Fox: A Rumination

Broadway: Design for Living. Off-Broadway: Neil Labute's The Mercy Seat (MCC), The Distance from Here, The Shape of Things, and bash: the latter-day plays; Rebecca Gilman's The Glory of Living: Tracy Wilson's The Story; Lanford Wilson's Rain Dance, and Fifth of July (Lucille Lortel nominations); John Guare's A Few Stout Individuals; Stephen Guirgis' Our Lady of 121st Street; Bill Irwin's Mr. Fox: A Rumination and, The Harlequin Studies; Slanguage by Universes; Lackawanna Blues by Ruben Santiago-Hudson; Nilo Cruz's Two Sisters and a Piano; Diana Son's Stop Kiss; Drama Department's Uncle Tom's Cabin or Life Among the Lowly.



David Weiner, Rodney's Wife

Broadway: Dinner At Eight (LCT), Betrayal (Roundabout), The Real Thing. Off Broadway: Public Theater, Playwright's Horizons, Second Stage, Culture Project, Vineyard, Theater for a New Audience, Atlantic Theater Company, Music-Theatre Group. Regional: Alley, McCarter, Huntington, ART, Williamstown, Cincinnati Playhouse, Cleveland Playhouse, A.C.T. – Seattle, NY Stage & Film, Dallas Theater Center, Berkeley Rep, Syracuse Stage.



OUTSTANDING SOUND DESIGN



Obadiah Eaves, Nine Parts of Desire

Off-Broadway: Romance (Atlantic), Moonlight and Magnolias (MTC), A Second Hand Memory (Atlantic, dir. Woody Allen) and Nine Parts of Desire (MET). Other theater includes Chinese Friends (Playwrights), The Bald Soprano and The Lesson (Atlantic), Fucking A (AUDELCO Viv Award), References to Salvador Dali Make Me Hot, and Hamlet (all at NYSF/Public), Beautiful Child (Vineyard), and Blues Clues Live (Radio City). His music for television can currently be heard on HBO Family, Nickelodeon, Discovery, and TLC, and he has appeared as a violinist and mandolinist in numerous film and television scores. His band, Big Hair, has released two CDs.



Scott Lehrer, Dessa Rose

Broadway/tours: Chicago, The Caretaker, Frankie and Johnny, James Joyce's The Dead, Angels in America, A Streetcar Named Desire, Prelude to a Kiss, Once on This Island, The Heidi Chronicles. LCT: Dessa Rose, The Frogs, A Man of No Importance, The Invention of Love An American Daughter, A Fair Country, My Favorite Year, Most Happy Fella, The Substance of Fire. Off Broadway: Sondheim's Saturday Night, Assassins, Sunday in the Park, and Putting It Together, Rodney's Wife, Franny's Way (Lortel Award), My Life with Albertine, Isn't it Romantic, Falsettoland, Little Fish, A Perfect Ganesh, and Geniuses.



Simon Matthews, Altar Boyz

As a Production Sound Engineer, Simon's work has been seen on eleven Broadway productions, including the recent shows *Into the Woods, Taboo,* and *Brooklyn*. While Broadway is his current home, he is ecstatic to be a part of *Altar Boyz*.



Darron L. West, Hot 'n' Throbbing

Darron's soundscapes have been heard in over three hundred and seventy productions in numerous venues both nationally and internationally. Company member of Anne Bogart's SITI Company and Former Resident Sound Designer Actors Theater of Louisville. As director *Kid Simple*, 2004 Humana Festival Actors Theater of Louisville, *Big Love* (2001 Austin Critics Award Best Director), *Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse*, Children's Theater Company Minneapolis, SITI's *War of the Worlds* Radio Play. His Accolades include the 2004 Henry Hewes Design Award, a Princess Grace, a 1998 OBIE Award, and the Entertainment Design Magazine EDDY.



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DODGER STAGE HOLDING, comprising Michael David, Robin de Levita, Des McAnuff, Rocco Landesman and Edward Strong originated at BAM in 1978; migrated to the New York Shakespeare Festival and then off and on Broadway: Good Vibrations, 42nd Street, Dracula, Urinetown, Into The Woods, The Music Man, Blast!, Titanic, Wrong Mountain, Footloose, Mandy Patinkin, High Society, 1776, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, The King and I, The Who's Tommy, Ralph Fiennes' Hamlet, Guys and Dolls, Once Upon a Mattress, How to Succeed in Business..., Jelly's Last Jam, The Secret Garden, Big River, Prelude to a Kiss, The Gospel at Colonus, Pump Boys and Dinettes. It is a partner in the Stage Holding Group of entertainment companies.

JOOP VAN DEN ENDE heads STAGE HOLDING, an international group of live-entertainment companies whose head office is situated in Amsterdam. In addition to Mr. van den Ende, who assembled and founded it in 1998, the board of Directors comprises Bart van Shriek, Robin de Levita, Maik Klokow and Caspar Grewe. It employs more than 4,500 people worldwide. Complimenting their work with Dodger Stage Holding in the U.S., Stage Holding activities range from theatrical productions, operating theaters and ticketing to special events, ice shows and concert presentations in Europe, Great Britain and South America.

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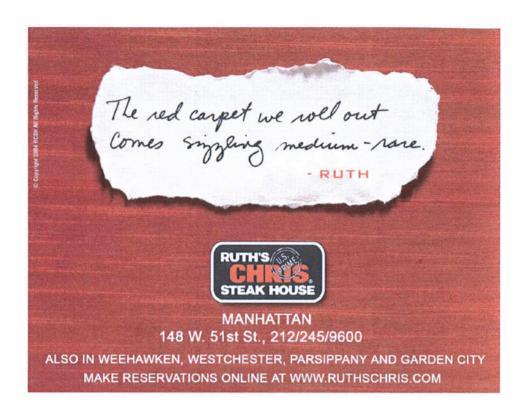
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