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Liam Macdougall

Directed by
Connor Vetter

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

(In order of appearance)

Carlino.....	RYAN BARRY
Roat.....	JAQWAVIUS HENDERSON
Susan.....	AMIYA ENGLISH
Sam.....	BEN ABRAMS
Mike.....	KYLE MCINTYRE
Gloria.....	BIRDIE POWELL

TIME/SETTING

The action takes place in October, 1944
in a basement apartment of an old brownstone in Greenwich Village

ACT ONE

Scene 1: Friday evening

Scene 2: Saturday afternoon

ACT TWO

Scene 1: About an hour later

RUNNING TIME

Approximately 2 hours, with a 15-minute intermission.

PRODUCTION **TEAM**

Director	CONNOR VETTER
Stage Manager.....	IMAN QATAWI
Scenic Designer	DR. TIM BAXTER-FERGUSON
Costume Designer.....	JAY E. COFFMAN
Lighting Designer	PETER LAMSON
Sound Designer	CHANDLER CRAWFORD
Fight Director	LIAM MACDOUGALL
Scenic Painter	KATHERINE RAUSCH
Scenic Construction.....	OLIVER ELLIS, PETER LAMSON, EMILY ROSE WATTS
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BEN ABRAMS (Sam) is positively euphoric to be back on the SLT stage this Fall! Previous roles include: *To Kill A Mockingbird* (Atticus Finch), *Holmes and Watson* (Holmes 1), *We Will Rock You* (Commander Khashoggi), *9 to 5* (Franklin Hart Jr), *The Rocky Horror Show* (Riff Raff), *And Then There Were None* (William Blore), *Peter And The Starcatcher* (Fighting Prawn), *Rock Of Ages* (Lonny), *One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest* (Martini), and *Boys in the Band* (Hank). Thank you to my family and friends for your constant love and support.

RYAN BARRY (Carlino) is thrilled to be part of this production! Ryan was last seen in Spartanburg Little Theatre's production of *Holmes and Watson* as Watson, *The Great Gatsby* as George Wilson, and *Sh-Boom! Life Could Be A Dream* as Eugene Johnson. This past summer, Ryan was seen with Centre Stage in *Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story* as the drummer for The Crickets, Jerry Allison. He was with Tryon Little Theater's production of *Pump Boys and Dinettes* as L.M. and *Bright Star* as Max, and he performed in The Upstate Shakespeare Festival's production of *The Tempest* as Stephano. He is a USC Upstate graduate with a degree in theatre. He would like to thank Connor Vetter, the cast, the crew and his family for their support.

AMIYA ENGLISH (Susan) is beyond excited to be returning to the Spartanburg Little Theatre stage. You may have seen her here before in *RENT* (Mimi) or *The Little Mermaid* (Ensemble). She is a recent graduate of USC Upstate with a B.A. in theatre performance. Other recent performance credits include *Spongebob The Musical* - Pearl (Upstate Theatre), *Romeo & Juliet* - Juliet (Upstate Theatre), and *Pipeline* - Jasmine (Warehouse Theatre). She would like to thank Connor Vetter for the opportunity to be a part of this story, Jay Coffman for his constant support, and her family and friends for always believing in her.

JAQWAVIUS HENDERSON (Roat) is ecstatic to be back on the stage with SLT, last seen on stage as part of the ensemble of the SLT production of *Footloose* and as Tom Robinson in *To Kill a Mockingbird*. He would like to thank Connor and the rest of the team for giving him the opportunity to perform once again at the theatre. He hopes to grow from the experience of working on this production with so many talented individuals. Jaqwavius dedicates his performance to his grandparents, father and aunt.

KYLE MCINTYRE (Mike) is excited to be back on the Spartanburg Little Theatre stage. Kyle graduated from USC Upstate with a B.A. in theatre performance. His first performance with SLT was in 2009's *Peter Pan* (Michael) with his most recent being this summer's *RENT* (Mark). Kyle would like to dedicate his performance to his late great grandmother and nana.

BIRDIE POWELL (Gloria) is excited to return to the stage in her second production with Spartanburg Little Theatre. She was previously seen as Scout in Spartanburg Little Theatre's production of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, as well as several roles with Spartanburg Youth Theatre including Orphan Kate in *Annie*, Narrator in *Charlotte's Web*, and Thing 1 in *Cat in the Hat*. Birdie is an 8th grade honor student at Gable Middle School where she enjoys art and playing in the school band as a percussionist. She would like to thank Connor and the entire cast and crew for guiding her and helping her grow as an actress through this wonderful opportunity to share the stage with them.

CONNOR VETTER (Director) is a Spartanburg-based theatre artist. Selected directing credits include *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical!* (South Carolina Children's Theatre), *The Savannah Sipping Society* (Spartanburg Little Theatre), *Pride and Prejudice* (assistant director, Wofford Theatre), and the recent *Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story* (Centre Stage). Connor is immensely grateful to SLT, Jay Coffman, and her cast, crew, and family. She would also like to thank Chandler and Iman for their tireless work on this beautiful project.

IMAN QATAWI (Stage Manager) is so excited to be stage managing her third production with SLT. Previous stage managing credits include *The Great Gatsby* and *To Kill A Mockingbird*. Iman also provided sound design for SLT's productions of *The Great Gatsby* and *The Addams Family*, and she recently appeared onstage as Horatio in Shakespeare & Friends' *Hamlet: The Requiem*. She would like to thank Connor and Jay for inviting her to be a part of this wonderful team, as well as her family and friends for their constant love and support.

DR. TIM BAXTER-FERGUSON (Scenic Designer) teaches theatre at Landrum High School after twenty years of teaching and designing at Limestone University. He previously both designed and directed *Xanadu* and *Avenue Q* for SLT's Fringe Series, and did scenic design for *Holmes and Watson*, *The Great Gatsby*, *Sh-Boom!*, *Terms of Endearment*, *The Rocky Horror Show*, *Peter and the Starcatcher*, *Rock of Ages*, *Spamalot*, and *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*. For Spartanburg Youth Theatre he has designed *Matilda*, *A Charlie Brown Christmas*, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, *Grace for President*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Charlotte's Web*, and *The True Story of the Three*

Little Pigs. He has also designed for CAST Theatre, Queen City Theatre, Children's Theatre of Charlotte, Theatre Charlotte, Central Piedmont Community College's Summer Season, and Spartanburg Repertory Theatre among others.

CHANDLER CRAWFORD (Sound Designer) is a graduate of USC Upstate where he studied theatre arts and creative writing. He most recently appeared as Jay Gatsby in *The Great Gatsby* and as Hot Dog Vendor/City Worker/Bus Engine at SCCT's *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus The Musical!* You may have seen him in summers past in Scrappy Shakespeare's productions of *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Romeo & Juliet* and *Macbeth* in Spartanburg. He also recently appeared in Converse's production of *The Dragon* directed by Melissa Owens and *Measure for Measure* as Lucio at USC Upstate directed by Fred Van Patten. Chandler also frequently dishes out the laughs with Spartanburg's own Sparkle City Improv troupe. Chandler has designed sound/video for past shows at SLT including *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *We Will Rock You*, *Miss Nelson is Missing* (SYT), *The Rocky Horror Show*, *Stuart Little* (SYT), *Of Mice and Men*, *Ghost Variations*, *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* and *A Streetcar Named Desire*. He is currently the Marketing and Audience Experience Manager at Spartanburg Philharmonic.

PETER LAMSON (Lighting Designer/Technical Director) has worked with SLT/SYT since 2010. Prior to his arrival in Spartanburg, Peter worked with several theatre companies in Wilmington, NC, including City Stage, Tapestry Theatre Company, and at historic Thalian Hall. Peter relishes working with talented directors, actors, and other designers in order to solve the different challenges each production presents in order to be successful.

KATHERINE RAUSCH (Scenic Painter) is a visual/theatre artist. She has a BFA in design and has studied theatre and studio arts at Converse and USC Upstate. She teaches art at the Chapman Cultural Center and operates Pet POPS. She is originally from Detroit MI and has lived in Germany for 10 years. Katherine has been a full-time artist since 2016 here in the Upstate. Her latest theatre works include props and scenic painter for *Sister Act*, *Hank Williams: Lost Highway*, *And Then There Were None*, *The Color Purple*, *The Great Gatsby* and *Terms of Endearment* (SLT), stage manager for *Boys In The Band*, (Proud Mary Theatre), scenic painter for *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *RENT*, *Footlose*, *Bright Star*, *Calendar Girls* (SLT), and props master for *Into the Woods* (Centre Stage).

JAY E. COFFMAN (Executive Artistic Director) most recently directed this season's *The Sound of Music* and last season's *Bright Star* and *RENT*. Other favorite directorial credits include *Sister Act*, *We Will Rock You*, *Sh-Boom!*, and *The Rocky Horror Show*. In past seasons he

has occasionally appeared on stage in *Legally Blonde* (Dad/Winthrop), *Blithe Spirit* (Charles Condomine) and *Every Christmas Story Ever Told (and then some!)*. A native of Southern California and former senior instructor of German at USC Upstate, Jay is in his 16th year as SLT's executive artistic director.

ADAM SANDERS (Youth Theatre Director) grew up with SYT and loves directing the program that helped shape him! He has been the SYT Director since 2015, and previously taught and directed at the SC Children's Theatre in Greenville, SC. Adam has directed many productions including *Godspell Jr.*, *Disney's Freaky Friday*, *Elf the Musical Jr.*, *Disney's Aladdin Jr.*, *Mamma Mia!* (at SLT), *Seussical Jr.*, and many more. He'd like to thank his beautiful wife, Kelsey, for loving him and being his biggest fan.

JENNY BONNER (Media Coordinator) is a visual artist, as well as an instructor in studio art and art history at USC Upstate. She holds an MFA in painting & sculpture from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and a BFA in painting and drawing from The Ohio State University. This summer, her artists collective, *Banded Wilderness*, permanently installed their site-specific sculpture-with-sound in Raleigh, NC, after it was acquired by the City. (You can check it out at Baileywick Park if you are ever in the area!) Jenny enjoys making props and other adornments for the shows at SLT when the opportunities arise and is so excited to see what this season holds! Outside of work, she enjoys running trails, and spending time with her pup, Dame Maggie Smith.

OLIVER ELLIS (Scene Shop Foreman) is excited to start his second season with SLT. He has worked with local companies such as Greenville Light Opera Works and Ballet Spartanburg and graduated from Converse College in 2020. He is glad to be given the opportunity to grow in theatre here!

MADDIE TISDEL (Education Coordinator) is thrilled for her first season as education coordinator for the Spartanburg Youth Theatre! She graduated from Converse University in 2018 with a B.A. in musical theatre and history and has worked in the Upstate theatre community ever since. You can see her onstage at The Warehouse Theatre and South Carolina Children's Theatre, as well as directing for SYT and SLT. She would like to thank her family, friends, and Austin and Al for helping her make her dreams possible.

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