Starkville Community Theatre

presents

produced with special arrangements by Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

PEEVNO



The Foreigner

by Larry Shue

directed by Molly Watkins assistant directed by Andrew Watkins

THE CAST

Froggy LeSuer	Gary Boudreaux
Charlie Baker	Jason Medders
Betty Meeks	Madeline Golden
David Lee	Lyle Tate
Catherine Simms	Melissa Piker
Owen Musser	Paul Ruff
Ellard Simms	Thomas La Foe

THE PLACE

Betty Meeks' Fishing Lodge Resort, Tilghman County, Georgia, U.S.A.

THE TIME

The recent past

ACT I

Scene I: Evening.
Scene II: The following morning.

ACT II

Scene I: Afternoon, two days later. Scene II: That evening.

There will be a 10-minute intermission between acts.

ABOUT THE CAST

GARY BOUDREAUX, originally from Louisiana, has been living and working in Starkville for that last four years. An Engineer and local musician, he is excited about his first acting experience. He thanks SCT for providing this opportunity and looks forward to being more involved in future productions.

JASON MEDDERS is making his theatrical debut in The Foreigner. A native of Trussville, AL, Jason came to Starkville in 1996 to attend Mississippi State University. After graduating in 2000 with a degree in Education, he taught high school math and coached baseball in Sturgis, MS. After only one year of teaching, Jason decided to pursue a Masters Degree in Student Affairs. Jason now resides in Hathorn Hall on the campus of MSU where he serves as Residence Director and attends graduate school full time. Jason married his wife, Kelli, in December of 2000 and is still enjoying being a newlywed. In his spare time Jason enjoys hunting, fishing, and working crossword puzzles.

MADELINE GOLDEN, in real life, works at MSU in the Office of Agricultural Communications. Her pretend life with SCT began way back in the 20th Century and she cites favorite roles as Sister Robert Ann in Nunsense and Madame Arcati in Blythe Spirit. Madeline now says, "Betty may be a new favorite! But now I gotta see if n I can figger out how ta quit atalkin' like her!"

LYLE TATE has been a part of Starkville Community Theatre for just three years, but in that time he has been involved with twelve productions, on- and off-stage. His favorite roles include Ken in Rumors, Rudinsky in Akhmatova, Apple in Exact Center of the Universe, and Brick in Cat on a Hot Tin Roof (TCT). Lyle thanks Molly, Andrew, and Nita for being such a positive and encouraging directing team (definitely a breath of fresh air) and his fellow cast members for all the laughs that made this show an enjoyable experience.

ABOUT THE CAST

MELISSA PIKER first became involved with SCT earlier this season when she worked props for the production of Marvin's Room, thus ending a five-year hiatus from the theatre. Melissa first fell in love with the theatre while attending Lawrence County High School in south Mississippi, where, as a transfer student, she was placed in an acting class because the school did not offer French. Melissa obtained a B.A. in Theatre Arts from Hendrix College. She later spent a year at the University of Arkansas attending classes and learning the trade of theatre management. Her high school sweetheart led her to Starkville and SCT, and, like many Fine Arts majors, she has had to break down and work "real" jobs, the current being at AmSouth Bank.

PAUL RUFF began working with SCT nearly ten years ago, performing in Ten Little Indians, Damn Yankees, and Lend Me a Tenor. After completing medical school and residency, he returned to Starkville in 2000, just in time to participate in Backstage, last summer's musical fund-raiser. He is a pediatrician at the Starkville Pediatric Clinic and has a wife, Cindy, and three children—Daniel, Craig, and Reagan. The Foreigner is the first full-length play he has acted in since his return. He wishes to thank his family for all the sacrifices they made so he could come and play with us again.

THOMAS LA FOE is a sophomore animal science (pre-vet) major with a theatre minor at Mississippi State University. He has been an active part of Delta Center Stage in Greenville, MS since 1993. At DCS he has designed and operated the lights for more than 20 shows, received roles such as Peter in The Diary of Anne Frank and Homer Zuckerman in Charlotte's Web, co-directed the summer youth musical Stuart Little, and received the Seymour Weiss Outstanding Youth in Theatre award. Thomas is vice-president of Blackfriars Drama Society at MSU and has participated both onstage and off with Theatre MSU. This is his second show with SCT, as he operated lights and sound for Proposals, and he hopes to work with SCT again in the future.

SPECIAL THANKS

Tony Daniel ~ Lobby Decoration Angel Ray and Tony Daniel ~ Opening Night Party

And to those who offered anything for our set, our costumes and our mental health...

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Starkville Police Department
The Gift Gallery
Theatre MSU
Harvey's

Dr. Ron Braswell and the OCH Ophthalmology Clinic Mike Pope of Golden Triangle Bass Shop Janice Guice

Every production at SCT requires hours and hours of man- (and woman!) power. Sets are built; furniture is moved; walls are painted; costumes are assembled; props are located, and on and on. To make this happen, we always need your help. If you have any furniture/clothing/knickknacks that you would like to donate to SCT, just call the box office and leave us a message! If you would like to be a part of SCT in any form or fashion, please let us know!

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Bus Stop

BY WILLIAM INGE
DIRECTED BY LYLE TATE
Auditions Monday & Tuesday, January 28th and 29th at 7 p.m.

In the middle of a howling snowstorm, passengers on a bus out of Kansas City must spend the night in a welcoming roadside diner. A sexy chanteuse pursued by a belligerent cowboy, a scholar coming to terms with himself, a young girl experiencing her first taste of romance, and the café owner and bus driver's budding relationship entertain throughout the night.

The show runs April 11th - 14th and April 18th - 21st.

Mississippi Theatre Association Festival

The cast and crew of <u>The Foreigner</u> would like to congratulate the cast and crew of <u>The Exact Center of the Universe</u> for their tremendous success at the 2002 MTA Festival in Hattiesburg ,January 18-20.

Special congratulations go to:

Terry McDowell ~ All Star Cast Madeline Golden ~ All Star Cast and

Marianne Ulmer ~ Best Supporting Actress



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