

Starkville Community Theatre

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presents

Catfish MOON

by Laddy Sartin

directed by Kris Lee

WINNER!

**2009 Southeastern Theatre Conference
Best Production**

2009 Mississippi Theatre Association Festival
Warren McDaniel Award for Best Production

MTA Best Director, *Kris Lee*

MTA Best Ensemble Acting

MTA Best Actor, *Paul Ruff*

MTA Best Supporting Actress, *Krista Vowell*

MTA Overall Technical Excellence

MTA Best Scenic Design





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cast

(in order of appearance)

Curley Gabe Smith
Gordon..... Paul Ruff
Frog Marcus Vowell
Betty Krista Vowell

place & time

an old fishing pier in Mississippi

scene i an afternoon in early summer
scene ii that evening
scene iiiearly evening, one week later
scene iv..... an afternoon, three days later

(Note: “Blackberry Blossom” by Nash Street used by permission.)

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Catfish Moon was originally produced in a stage reading during the 1994 Charlotte Festival New-Plays-in-America Series, Claudia Covington, Literary Manager.

The world premiere of *Catfish Moon* was produced by

Charlotte Repertory Theatre,
Charlotte, N.C., February 1996,

Keith Martin, Producer;

Terry Loughlin, Artistic Director.



about the cast...

Paul Ruff (“Gordon”) is a pediatrician in Starkville, MS, and has been involved with Starkville Community Theatre since 1992. He has participated in about a dozen stage plays and eight musical revues – many alongside his wife, Cindy. In 2007, Paul appeared in the Mississippi Theatre Association Best Production and SETC Runner-Up Best Production, *Smoke on the Mountain*, in which he played the banjo-pickin’ “Burl Sanders.” In January, Paul was named MTA’s Best Actor for his role in *Catfish Moon*.

Gabe Smith (“Curley”) is a six-year SCT veteran, onstage and off-, and a two-time winner of the Mississippi Theatre Association’s award for Best Actor. In addition to *Catfish Moon*, Gabe’s productions at MTA include *Deadline Dawn*, *Loose Hog in the House of God*, and 2008’s Runner-Up Best Production, “Art.”

Krista Vowell (“Betty”) currently serves as SCT president and has been an active member of the organization and of other Mississippi theatre organizations for a number of years, counting as favorites her roles in productions of *Bus Stop*, *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*, *The Crucible*, *The Last Night of Ballyhoo*, and *Smoke on the Mountain*, for which she received a 2007 SETC Outstanding Performance by an Actress award. In January, Krista was named the Mississippi Theatre Association’s Best Supporting Actress for her role in *Catfish Moon*.

Marcus Vowell (“Frog”) appeared as “Stanley Sanders” in the 2007 Mississippi Theatre Association Best Production and SETC Runner-Up Best Production, *Smoke on the Mountain*. He has appeared at SCT in productions of *The Lion in Winter*, *The Importance of Being Earnest*, and *The Last Night of Ballyhoo*. Marcus lives in Starkville with his wife (currently playing “Betty”) and two children and is a database administrator for East Mississippi Community College and a freelance voice-over artist.

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