

Renasant Bank & Starkville Community Theatre present
the 2015-2016 season opener

lewis black's



One Slight Titch

directed by thomas la foe

sept. 17-19 & 22-26 • 7:30 p.m.

sept. 20 • 2 p.m. matinee



2015-2016

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

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One Slight Hitch

by Lewis Black

the cast

P.B. Addison Gordon *

Delia Heather McGinn

Doc Christopher Walrath

Ryan Graeme Buchanan *

Courtney Maddy Monson **

Melanie Justine Moser

Harper Jackson Atkins

* SCT Debut

** SCT Regular Season Debut

the setting

PLACE

The Colemans' home in an upper-class suburb

TIME

Summer 1981

ACT I

It's 11:00 a.m. on Courtney's wedding day

ACT II

Moments later

There will be a 10-minute intermission between acts.

the production

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| Director | Thomas La Foe |
| Assistant Director | Sean Dyess |
| Stage Manager | Sean Dyess |
| Set Design | Thomas La Foe |
| Lighting Design | Thomas La Foe |
| Lights & Sound | Kris Lee & Heather Shaw |
| Stage Crew | Haley Harper & Heather Shaw |
| Poster Design | Stacy Clark |
| Set Decoration..... | Pattye Archer |
| | Mary Ann Jones & Marianne Ulmer |
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| Opening Night Party | Paula & Don Mabry |
| Set Construction | The cast & crew |

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Marianne Ulmer

about the cast

Jackson Atkins

Jackson is returning for one time only in another farce on the stage. One year ago, he paraded around the theater portraying a therapist in Neil Simon's *Rumors* and here he is again acting in Lewis Black's *One Slight Hitch* as...you guessed it, a therapist (student). You may want to know why this bio isn't as funny as the last one Jackson wrote. Well, that's because he is busy with his other job, a research chemist at Mississippi State Chemical Lab. Another reason why that is the last bio Jackson wrote was the cause of all the programs on opening night being confiscated and most likely burned. Some people just can't take a joke. I thought this was America!!!

Graeme Buchanan

Graeme plays the role of "Ryan" in his first play at SCT. Involved in theatre since childhood, he has recently taken part in some of MSU's theater productions; *The Government Inspector* and *Never Ending Story*. He is currently working on a degree in theatre and hopes to one day make it a career. Graeme moved to Starkville almost two years ago to be with his partner Chris, but is originally from Quebec, Canada. "I am really happy to be a part of this production; everyone has been so wonderful, it feels like family, on and off the stage."

Addison Gordon

Addison has appeared in several theatre plays, most recently *Annie*, *Louder I Can't Hear You*, *Footloose*, *Arsenic and Old Lace*, and *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*. She is a member of the thespian society and has made acting her passion. Addison is originally from Texas and moved to Mississippi 3 1/2 years ago. She currently goes to Starkville High School and is in the tenth grade. This is Addison's first play at the Starkville Community Theater. "I am really blessed to be in a production that truly feels like a family on and off the stage! Everyone has been amazing, and I hope to be in many more plays with the theatre!"

Heather McGinn

Heather has appeared in several shows at Starkville Community Theatre, most recently *A Song Can Change Your Life*, *Almost, Maine*, and *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*. She has been a member of the Starkville Symphony Chorus for the past five years and has a passion for performing. Heather has made her home in Starkville with her fiancé Shane Warren, their two dogs and cat. "*One Slight Hitch* has been a pleasure to be a part of. I have really enjoyed Delia and all her craziness. Our director Thomas La Foe and assistant director Sean Dyess have been incredibly patient and encouraging. Thank you both for all your hard work!"

Maddy Monson

This is Maddy's second show at SCT. She was previously in *Collected Stories*, SCT's 2014 entry to the Mississippi Theatre Association Festival. In this show, she plays "Courtney." Maddy says she has never laughed as much during a show as she has with *One Slight Hitch*. She has had a great time performing with such an amazing cast and looks forward to many more shows with the Starkville Community Theatre.

Justine Moser

After debuting in *Almost Maine*, and returning for *A Song Can Change Your Life*, Justine couldn't resist the call to her third consecutive show at SCT. Originally from South Dakota, Justine has made Mississippi her home for the last seven years as a teaching artist and educator. She is currently teaching English and Theatre at Columbus High School and is enjoying watching her students grow! Special thanks to the lovely man of her life, Tyler, for having to listen to her artistic stylings of Madonna's "Holiday" and Fleetwood Mac's "Rhiannon" around the house. That has to be true love!

Christopher Walrath

Christopher hates that he is getting older...

from the director

Hooray! You made it to the show! I'm so glad you're here. Over the past 2 months the cast and crew have worked to put this show together and I really think you'll like it. It has been a breeze working with this cast and we have had many nights of laughter going over all of the silly parts that you will see. The cast really brings these characters to life every night and captures the humor and heart of the play.

Addison, Justine, and Maddy, I can't think of a more perfect grouping of sisters. Watching you three onstage makes me want to be a part of your wacky family. Heather and Christopher, I'm not going to say that I wish you were my parents (because that would be weird), but I do love how you bring Delia and Doc's relationship to life with just the right balance of love and craziness. And Graeme and Jackson, you two both serve as wonderful hitches in the whole ordeal, challenging each other...and Courtney...and Delia...and Doc...and really everyone I think. Thank you all for agreeing to work on this show. I love what you've done with it.

Many thanks as well to Sean for agreeing to be my assistant director. Being an AD is one of the most thankless jobs in theatre so be sure to tell him, "Thank you," after the show. He has helped me out in so many ways over the course of these past two months that I don't know how to repay him (will pizza and whiskey work?). Thank you Pattye, Marianne, and Mary Ann for all your work on the set. And to Kris, Heather, and Haley, thank you all for stepping in at the last minute to help pull the show together.

And thanks to you, our audience. Without you we would be just a bunch of silly people running around on stage talking to ourselves. That doesn't mean that we still wouldn't do it, it just makes much more sense if you're here to see us do it!

Thanks again,

Thomas



One Slight Hitch

Front from left: Justine Moser (Melanie), Addison Gordon (P.B.), Maddy Monson (Courtney), and Heather McGinn (Delia)

Back from left: Jackson Atkins (Harper), Christopher Walrath (Doc), and Graeme Buchanan (Ryan)



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September 17-20
and 22-26, 2015

Comedy by Lewis Black

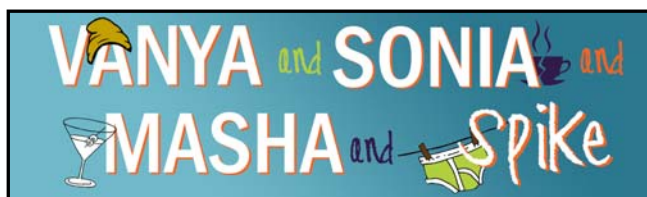


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Dan Goggin

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Comedy by
Christopher Durang



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Ken Ludwig

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May 24-28, 2016

Drama by
Jon Robin Baitz



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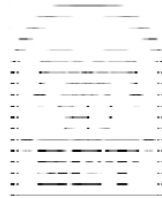
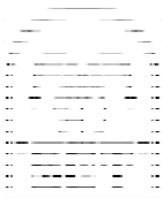
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