Department of Theatre
2007-2008 Season

OUR TOWN
By Thornton Wilder
Directed by Jack Cannon
October 3-October 6, 2007 7:30pm
October 7, 2007 2:00pm
Sirote Theatre

IN THE BLOOD
By Suzan-Lori Parks
Directed by Dennis McLernon
November 9-10 & 14-17, 2007 7:30pm
November 18, 2007 2:00pm
Odess Theatre

THE LARAMIE PROJECT
By Moisés Kaufman and Members of the Tectonic Theater Project
Directed by Luke Harlan
February 20-23, 2008 7:30pm
February 24, 2008 2:00pm
Sirote Theatre

AS YOU LIKE IT
By William Shakespeare
Directed by Marlene Johnson
March 1 & 4-7, 2008 7:30pm
March 2 & 8, 2008 2:00pm
Odess Theatre

CABARET
Book by Joe Masteroff. Based on the play by John Van Druten and Stories by Christopher Isherwood. Music by John Kander. Lyrics by Fred Ebb
Directed by Karla Koskinen
April 16-19, 2008 7:30pm
April 20, 2008 2:00pm
Sirote Theatre

For Individual Tickets please call ASC Box Office
975-2787
OVATION UAB
(Sponsored by Theatre Advisory Committee)

Opening nights at Theatre UAB are OVATION UAB nights. OVATION UAB sponsors a box dinner and conversation with the director and designers before the show, as well as a post-performance party with the cast and crew.

Join us! You will be able to invite your friends to enjoy a tasty meal before the play, be already parked and ready to settle back for an evening of live theatre.

OVATION UAB has the mission to support and sponsor the students working backstage and performing in Theatre UAB. Membership dues, ranging from $10 - $2500, are used to off-set the costs required of each student to participate in the productions.

To become a member of OVATION UAB, please pick up a brochure in the lobby outside the theatre and complete the form. Follow mailing directions listed in the brochure.

Help us support our rising stars!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR CURRENT OVATION UAB MEMBERS

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This production is entered in the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF). The aims of this national theater education program are to identify and promote quality in college-level theater productions. To be entered, each production entered is eligible for a response by a regional KCACTF representative, and selected students and faculty are invited to participate in KCACTF programs involving scholarships, internships, grants and awards for actors, directors, dramaturges, playwrights, designers, stage managers and critics in both the regional and national levels.

Productions entered in the Participating Festival are eligible for inclusion in the KCACTF regional festival and can also be considered for inclusion in the KCACTF national festival at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC in the spring of 2008.

Last year more than 1,000 productions were entered in the KCACTF involving more than 20,000 students nationwide. By entering this production, our theatre department is sharing in the KCACTF goals to recognize, reward, and celebrate the exemplary work produced in college and university theaters across the nation.

Theatre UAB Production Staff

Production Manager ...........................................Kelly Allison
Technical Director ...........................................Ed Zuckerman
Costume Studio Supervisor .............................Elizabeth Ayres Pollard
Program Manager ...........................................Mel Christian
Stage Electrics Director .................................Krystal Kennel
Properties Master ...........................................Phillip Anderson
Scenic Studio Foreman/Master Carpenter ............Lee Adlaf
Assistant Costume Studio Supervisor ...............Sharon Morgan
Scenic Studio Assistants .................................Jordan Bohl, Ethan Feigel, Beverly Goodloc, Benoit Johnson
Lighting Assistants ........................................Andrew Billits, Sarah Jordan, Jonathon Offutt
Costume Assistants ........................................Sarah Brandt, Skye Geerts, Kristina Howard, Mary Olliff, Amanda Mattes, Kendra Peine, Properties Assistants .......................................Jonathon Offutt, Reid Patton, Melissa Robinson, Caitlin Suggs, Matt Suggs
Media Relations .............................................Shannon Thomason
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Theatre UAB Advisory Committee

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The University of Alabama at Birmingham
Department of Theatre
and
Patty McDonald and W.B. Philips, Jr.
present

In The Blood
By
Suzan-Lori Parks

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

Scenic Design
Cliff Simon

Costume Design
Elizabeth Pollard

Vocal Director
Marlene Johnson

Audio Design
Krystal Kennel

Directed by
Dennis McLernon

Opening Night: Friday, November 9, 2007, 7:30 p.m.

Please Note: In The Blood contains adult language and situations.

This production is funded in part by The UAB Cultural Activities Committee

CAST

Hester, La Negrita ........................................... Jasmaine McCorvey
Chilli/Jabber .................................................. Benoit Johnson
Reverend D./Baby ........................................... Keith Pettway
The Welfare Lady/Bully .................................... Britney M. Williams
The Doctor/Trouble ........................................ Tim Craig
Amiga Gringa/Beauty ....................................... Emilie Soffe
Chorus ..................................................... Stefannie Azoroh, Jereme Lewis,
                                          Shari D. Perry, Robin M. Reed

PLACE
Here.

TIME
Now.

The play will be performed with one intermission.

Director’s Notes

NATIONAL ESTIMATES OF HOMELESSNESS,
National Coalition for the Homeless NCH Fact Sheet #2

There are several national estimates of homelessness. Many are dated, or based on
dated information. None of these estimates is the definitive representation of "how
many people are homeless." The best approximation is from a study done by the
National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty which states that
approximately 3.5 million people, 1.35 million of them children, are likely to
experience homelessness in a given year (National Law Center on Homelessness and
Poverty, 2007). These numbers draw their estimates from a study of service
providers across the country at two different times of the year in 1996. They found
that, on a given night in October, 444,000 people (in 346,000 households)
experienced homelessness – which translates to 6.3% of the population of people
living in poverty. On a given night in February, 842,000 (in 637,000 households)
experienced homelessness – which translates to almost 10% of the population of
people living in poverty.

Converting these estimates into an annual projection, the numbers that
emerge are 2.3 million people (based on the October estimate) and 3.5 million
people (based on the February estimate). This translates to approximately 1% of the
U.S. population experiencing homelessness each year, 38% (October) to 39%
(February) of them being children (Urban Institute 2000). It is also important to note
that this study was based on a national survey of service providers. Since not all
people experiencing homelessness utilize service providers, the actual numbers of
people experiencing homelessness are likely higher than those found in the study.
Thus, we are estimating on the high end of the study’s numbers: 3.5 million people,
39% of which are children (Urban Institute 2000).

A national study of formerly homeless people found that the most
common places people who had been literally homeless stayed were vehicles
(59.2%) and makeshift housing, such as tents, boxes, caves, or boxcars (24.6%)
(Link et al. 1995). This suggests that homeless counts may miss significant
numbers of people who are homeless.

In early 2007, the National Alliance to End Homelessness reported a point-
in-time estimate of 744,313 people experiencing homelessness in January 2007.

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Theatre UAB Faculty

Kelly Allison, Professor ................................... Head of Design and Production
Jack Cannon+, Assistant Professor .................. Intro to Theatre
Ward Haarbauer ............................................. Professor Emeritus
Cheryl Hall+, Assistant Professor .................. Intro to Theatre
Ron Hubbard, Associate Professor .................. Movement
Karma Ibsen ................................................. Professor Emerita
Marlene Johnson+, Assistant Professor ............... Voice
Karla Koskinen, Associate Professor .............. Acting/Directing
Dennis McLennon, Associate Professor ........ Head of Performance
Elizabeth Ayres Pollard, Assistant Professor .. Costume Technology
Kimberly Schnormeier, Associate Professor/Associate Chair Costume Design
Lee Shackleford+, Instructor ............. Playwriting
Cliff Simon, Assistant Professor .................. Scene Design
Vessela Warner, Assistant Professor .......... Theatre History
Will York+, Professor ................................. Chair
Ed Zuckerman+, Associate Professor .... Technical Director

Adjunct Faculty
Quinton Cockrell ........................................... Acting
Bethe Ensey ................................................... Acting, Intro to Theatre
Martha Haarbauer ........................................... Acting
Charlotte Lantz ................................................ Dance
Billie Sheldon ................................................ Administrative Associate

Staff for this Production

Cutter/Draper .................................................. Sharon Morgan
Assistant Stage Managers .................. Alec James, Meredith Reid
Assistant Costume Design .................. Kendra Peine
Scenery Construction .................. Alyson Ingram, June Lee, Donald Martin,
................................................................. Charles Mills, Amanda Murrah, Nancy Peters,
................................................................. Melissa Robinson, Graham Roden, Noris Smith,
................................................................. Truett Terry, Alex Urquhart
Scenic Artists .................................. Reid Patton+, Caitlin Suggs, Cliff Simon
Costume/Craft Construction .......... Jordan Bohl, Jessica Dunn, Crystal Gibb,
................................................................. Beverly Goodloe, Laura Harding,
................................................................. Sarah Hereford+, Brittany Hill, Demarcus Jackson,
................................................................. Gleniece Jackson, Megan King, Adrienne Lowe,
................................................................. Alix Moses, Amanda Murrah, Amanda Myers,
................................................................. Mary L. Olliff, Evan Owens, Bridgette Pierce,
................................................................. Jordan Reeves, Meredith Reid, Emilie Soffe,
................................................................. Benjamin Weeks, Eric Wilson
Dressers ...................................................... Jessica Walston, Stephen Webb
Properties Construction .......... Jonathon Offutt, Reid Patton+, Melissa Robinson,
................................................................. Caitlin Suggs, Matt Suggs+
Light Board Operator ....................... Michael Price
Audio Board Operator ...................... Amanda Murrah
Cover/Poster Design ....................... Cliff Simon

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Brenda Watkins and Karen Beeching of the UAB Department of Optometry for assistance with eye charts.