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The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe

by Jane Wagner

Directed by Becky Howard

Nov. 11 - 13 @ 8 pm



Winner of a Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award, Search had its Broadway debut in 1986 as a one-woman show with Lily Tomlin, netting her a Tony award for best actress. Featuring 15 different characters, male and female, young and old, Search is narrated by Trudy, a bag lady who tries to explain American society to space aliens. New York Times critic Frank Rich called it "the most genuinely subversive comedy to be produced on Broadway in years."

Auditions for *Search* are scheduled for Sunday, Sep. 12 from 2-4 p.m. and Monday, Sep. 13 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Oxford Community Arts Center. Casting is flexible, with a maximum of 13 women and 2 men, and a minimum of 3 women. For more information, contact Becky Howard at howard@oxact.org or 513-756-1963.

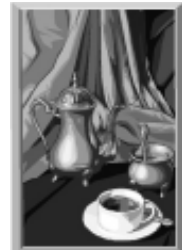
Directed by Dan Britt, in collaboration with the African American Theater Company of Butler County. Master Harold ... and the Boys earned the Drama Desk Award and Critics Circle Award for best play in 1983, and London's Evening Standard Award in 1984. Based on the playwright's early life in South Africa, the play was officially banned by the South African government. However, it played 344 performances on Broadway and was produced in other major cities including London. Master Harold explores the relationship between a young, white South African boy, Hally, and two black family employees, Sam and Willie. The setting is Port Elizabeth, South Africa in 1950.

Master Harold ... and the Boys

by Athol Fugard

Directed by Dan Britt, in collaboration with the African American Theater Company of Butler County

April 2005 (tentative date)



Guys and Dolls

*Music and lyrics by Frank Loesser,
 book by Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows
 Directed by Ryan and Marie Steffen
 June 2005 (tentative date)*



The fifth longest-running Broadway musical of the Fifties, Guys and Dolls revolves around Nathan Detroit, the organizer of the oldest established permanent floating crap game in New York, who bets fellow gambler Sky Masterson that he can't make the next girl he sees fall in love with him. The next girl he sees happens to be Miss Sarah Brown, a pure-at-heart reformer from the Salvation Army. The result is hilarious confusion amidst great song and dance.



YOU are in the director's chair! It is your ticket purchases and contributions that keep this organization in action! Please consider becoming a season ticket holder and contributor.

Come and play with us for our 25th season!

*** OxACT's 25th anniversary season brings us closer to our permanent home at the Oxford Community Arts Center**

Flexibility is the key phrase this season as we move from one venue to the next while anticipating the completion of the renovated theatre in the Arts Center. Our fall show will take place in Leonard Theatre, in Peabody Hall on Miami's Western campus. Rehearsals will be conducted in part in the new Biz Campbell Rehearsal Hall in the Arts Center. Our second show will most likely take place in the Biz Campbell Rehearsal Hall in early spring. Our third show will take place--barring any unforeseen construction delays--in the new theatre in the Arts Center! The Oxford Community Arts Center is buzzing with construction (and deconstruction) activity this fall. Visit www.oxfordartscenter.org for more information, or stop by the Arts Center for a tour.

*** Stay tuned for Mousetrap details - 25th season anniversary celebration!**

OxACT celebrates its 25th season anniversary with a special staged reading of *Mousetrap*, our very first show! Stay tuned for more information about this one night fundraiser, followed by a gala reception. If anyone has photographs or other memorabilia from OxACT's first season and would like to share them for the 25th anniversary gala, please let us know. Contact us at: info@oxact.org or leave a message at 523-6228.

*** Box Office Location-**

The Miami University Art Museum has volunteered again this year to operate our box office location. Many thanks to Bob Wicks, museum director, and assistant Sue Gambrell for making this possible. Once tickets are available for each production, they may be purchased at the museum or picked up after reserving through our telephone box office. Call 523-OACT (6228) to reserve tickets or visit the art museum 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday or noon-5 p.m. Saturdays.

*** For your inner actor :**

Bill Brewer, an original founder of OxACT and well-known regional actor and director, will be offering beginning acting classes this fall for adults from high school seniors and older. Classes will focus on technique and exercises, and will culminate in a short scene. Class costs will be donated to OxACT. Look for a Wednesday evening schedule starting in late October - details will be forthcoming.



Season ticket info and contribution levels



Our ticket prices are the same as last year: \$10 adult and \$8 senior/student. This still reflects an automatic donation to the Oxford Community Arts Center (OCAC). Theater and arts groups in Oxford and the Talawanda schools are joining us this season in raising funds for the OCAC. For more info on the progress of the Center, visit their website at

www.oxfordartscenter.org.

SEASON TICKET PRICES this season are \$27 adult and \$21 senior/student, which includes a \$3 donation to the OCAC.

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS! In addition to becoming a season ticket holder, we hope you will consider becoming a donor. Financial contributions provide opportunities to enhance community spirit and promote the arts at the local level. Individuals who provide a financial contribution by October 30 will be listed in the programs for each show. Our contribution levels are:

\$25-\$49 PATRON

\$50-\$99 MARQUEE

\$100-\$249 ANGEL

\$250+ BENEFACTOR

Please add your name to the list of OxACT donors who support the arts in our community. The coupon below can be used to submit your contribution and/or season ticket voucher order.

If you have questions or need additional information, please check the website (www.oxact.org) or contact us by email (info@oxact.org) or phone (523-OACT (6228)).

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SEASON TICKET VOUCHER SETS (2 VOUCHERS/PACKAGE):

Regular (Adult) QTY. _____ x \$27 = \$ _____

Senior/Student QTY. _____ x \$8 = \$ _____

DONATION AMOUNT:

___ Patron \$25-\$49

___ Marquee \$50-\$99

___ Angel \$100-\$249

___ Benefactor \$250+

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