



Oxford Area Community Theatre

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Newsletter March 2005

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"Master Harold"...and the Boys

by Athol Fugard

directed by Dan Britt

**Presented by OxACT
in collaboration with the
African American Theater Company of
Butler County**

We are glad to welcome back cast members Carlos Baxley and Terrence Moore, who appeared in last year's production of *A Raisin the Sun*, and introduce Talawanda High School senior Benjamin Mack. We also welcome assistant director Gretchen Radler, also making her OxACT "debut"!

"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.

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April 7-9 & 14-15

@ 8:00 pm

April 10 @ 2:00 pm

Oxford Community Arts Center

Biz Campbell Rehearsal Hall

Tickets:

\$10 general

\$8 seniors/students

(seating for this production is general admission--no assigned seating)

Tickets may be reserved by calling the OxACT box office at 513-523-OACT (6228), or may be purchased at the Miami University Art Museum. The museum is open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday, and noon-5 p.m. Saturdays, and has plenty of parking.

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The show is sponsored in part by Kona Bistro

Hold on to your hats - this will be OxACT's first performance in the Oxford Community Arts Center!

We are excited to announce that *Master Harold* will be performed in the *Biz Campbell Memorial Rehearsal Hall*, located directly beneath the Ballroom on the lower level of the Arts Center. Patrons may enter the Arts Center through the front or a back entrance. While not wheelchair accessible, a back entrance is at street level. Once inside there will be two small sets of steps to descend into the seating area. Our ushers will be available for those who may need assistance; patrons may feel free to leave a message with us for more information. The Oxford Community Arts Center is located at the corner of High St. and College Avenue in Oxford.

Please Pardon Our Dust! *The Arts Center, including the Rehearsal Hall, is undergoing renovation.*

AUDITIONS FOR OXACT'S PRODUCTION OF

Guys and Dolls



6 p.m. on April 3, 4, & 5

at the Oxford Community Arts Center

Casting Requirements:

Male and female soloists and leads, and a chorus of about 25.

Please prepare a song and be prepared to dance. An accompanist will not be provided, and a piano will not be available. Auditions will run about 2 hours, depending on the turnout. Callbacks will be on April 7 at 6 p.m., and you will be notified at your first audition if we will need to see you again at callbacks. We encourage everyone to audition regardless of ethnicity or age (except for young children)

Performance dates are June 16-19.

For additional information, or if you are interested in volunteering backstage (props, costumes, orchestra, etc.), contact Marie Steffen at 524-1969 or msantenm@aol.com

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