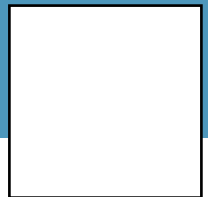


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Book, Music & Lyrics by Gregg Coffin

Off-Broadway Production produced by Geva Theatre Center and Five Course Love, LLC

Originally produced by Geva Theatre Center, Rochester, NY, on June 16, 2004
Mark Cuddy, Artistic Director; John Quinlivan, Managing Director.

CAST

Barbie/Sofia/Gretchen/Rosalinda/Kitty.....Mollie Fischer
Matt/Gino/Klaus/Guillermo/Clutch.....Travis Shafer
Dean/Carlo/Heimlich/Ernesto/Pops.....Seth Rausch

ARTISTIC TEAM

Director.....David Holmes
Stage Manager.....Liz Eder
Costumer.....Lori Holmes
Props.....Liz Eder
Choreographer.....Lori Holmes
Stage Hands.....Steph Kreklau, Travis Defries
Technical Director.....Calla Defries
Soundboard Operator.....Clayton Thorson
Sound Effects.....Tony Palesotti
Spotlight Operator.....Gavin Holmes, Breanna Boyce
Set Design.....David Holmes
Set Construction.....David Holmes, Mason Holmes, Jeremy Meger
Set Picture Painter.....Gavin Holmes
Graphic Design.....Matthew Atwood

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DIRECTOR'S NOTES

In 2013, I was introduced to "Five Course Love" while doing a five week run of the show, performing as the role of The Man. The second weekend of performances, the Writer and Composer, Greg Coffin came to our show to watch us perform. After the performance, he met with us and talked about his experience creating the show and opening it in New York (Off Broadway). The experience I had of meeting the amazing Greg Coffin and performing this witty show has always made me want to do the show again. When Lori and I discussed shows to do for our valentines show schedule, Five Course Love was in the top three right up there with Mankato Playhouses past performances of I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change, and The Last Five Years. With the changes we made for our 2020/2021 season in order to continue to keep our doors open, Five Course Love was pushed up giving us the ability to premier the show a year earlier than we had planned.

Five Course Love is set in five different restaurants with five different characters in five different scenes including a blind date that goes wrong, a Mafia Romance, to a German Love triangle, a Mexican love war, only to end full circle with love at first site. As most shows go, 80% of a shows success is casting the right people for the roles. Finding three actors who have the ability to play five different characters is not an easy task, however, I was lucky enough to be able to cast three actors who are perfect for the show who already have great chemistry due to performing together years ago. Rehearsals for this show have been less work and more fun; trying to come up with ways to build five completely different characters, and putting together a show that really has no seriousness about it.

I hope you all enjoy experiencing this show as much as we enjoyed putting it together.

David Holmes

Director

SONGS

Scene 1: Dean's Old-Fashioned All-American Down-Home BBQ Texas Eats

A Very Single Man.....Matt
Dean's Old-Fashioned All-American Down-Home BBQ Texas Eats.....Dean
Jumpin' the Gun.....Barbie, Matt
I Loved You When I Thought Your Name Was Ken.....Barbie
Morning Light.....Dean, Matt

Scene 2: Trattoria Pericolo

If Nicky Knew.....Sofia, Carlo, Gino
Give Me This Night.....Gino, Sofia
Nicky Knows.....Sofia, Carlo, Gino

Scene 3: Der Schlupfwinkel Speiseplatz

Shetler-Lied.....Heimlich
'No' Is a Word I Don't Fear.....Gretchen
Der Bumsen-Kratzentanz.....Klaus, Heimlich, Gretchen
Risk Love.....Klaus, Heimlich
Gretchen's Lament.....Gretchen

Scene 4: Ernesto's Cantina

The Ballad of Guillermo.....Ernesto, Guillermo
Come Be My Love.....Rosalinda, Guillermo
Pick Me.....Ernesto, Guillermo
The Blue Flame.....Ernesto, Kitty

Scene 5: The Star-Lite Diner

True Love at the Star-Lite Tonight.....Clutch, Kitty, Pops
It's a Mystery.....Clutch, Kitty
Medley.....Pops, Dean, Gino, Heimlich, Guillermo
Love Looking Back at Me.....Kitty

MEET THE CAST



Mollie Fischer

Mollie is a North Mankato native and very excited to be back on stage in her hometown! Since graduating from MSU-Mankato in 2009 with a BFA in Musical Theatre, she has been working professionally all over the world. Some of the most memorable productions include: Ordway: West Side Story (Minnie), Old Log Theatre: Ghost, The Musical (Molly), Million Dollar Quartet (Dyanne), Show Palace Dinner Theatre: Oklahoma (Laurey), Sondheim Center: Hair (Jeanie), Snoopy! The Musical (Lucy), Open Heart w/ Robbie Bensen (Chorus/Dance Captain). Some local credits from Highland Summer Theatre include: 25th Annual... Spelling Bee, I Love You.. Now Change, Bye Bye Birdie, High School Musical, Grease, Damn Yankees. Mollie has also performed on the high-seas for Norwegian Cruise Line and Carnival Cruise Line since 2011 as a lead singer/dancer. She is eternally grateful to her friends, family and amazing fiancé, Fede, for their ongoing love and support.



Travis Shafer

Travis is a theatre graduate from MSU- Mankato. He currently works as the store manager for Rockin Ronny's. Travis is excited to be getting back on stage after over a year hiatus. He was last seen in Mankato Playhouse's production playing the role of Simon in Jesus Christ Superstar. Travis is also active behind the scenes of Mankato Playhouse helping with set building and sound for past productions. A few of Travis' past shows include Into the Woods (Rapunzel's Prince), Junie B Jones (Herb), Wizard of Oz (Tin Man), and Jesus Christ Superstar (Jesus) and has also directed shows in both Mankato and Fairmont. Travis would like to thank his family for their continued support in his love of theatre and thank a special someone who knows who she is!



Seth Rausch

Seth is thrilled to make his Mankato Playhouse debut on stage. He recently directed Mankato Playhouse's last Broadway Teen workshops Godspell Jr. and serves on the Board of Directors for Mankato Playhouse, Vice President for Mankato Ballet and Artistic Director for Mankato Figure Skating Club Ice Show. Seth has been in numerous shows around the Mankato area including 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Leaf Coneybear), Mary Poppins (Robertson), The Addams Family (Fester) and Junie B Jones (Lennie) and has directed multiple productions in the greater Mankato area. Seth is excited to be back on stage with Travis and Mollie after being in MSU's production of Peter Pan 13 years ago. Seth thanks his friends and family for all the support over the years.

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