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PRESENTS

THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

By Henry Lewis, Jonathan Sayer & Henry Shields

Directed by Stephanie Lewis

October 2-18

FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

7:30 PM

SUNDAY MATINEES

2:30 PM



1527 N. Galloway Ave., Mesquite TX

FROM THE DIRECTOR



Stephanie Lewis - Director

Directing *The Play That Goes Wrong* has been a challenging, hilarious, and deeply rewarding experience. This show demands trust, timing, teamwork, and a cast and crew willing to throw themselves—sometimes literally—into the chaos, and I could not be prouder of what we created together.

Thank you to my incredible cast for your commitment, trust, and fearless sense of play; to James Mychael for believing in me, supporting me, and challenging me to be better; and to Jen Phelps and Mark Phelps for stepping in, problem-solving, encouraging me, and keeping me laughing through it all.

To everyone who built, painted, propped, repaired, rehearsed, organized, moved, fixed—and fixed again—thank you. This production only appears to fall apart because so many people worked so hard to make it fall apart exactly right.

Theatre has given me friendships, challenges, laughter, and moments I will carry with me. I hope you laugh until your face hurts and enjoy all the love, work, friendship, and questionable number of screws that helped make everything go so wonderfully wrong.

Enjoy the show!

Stephanie Lewis

The Bravo Bucket

The actors for tonight's performance are volunteers. They have donated their time, talent and resources to create a quality production out of their love to entertain. If you've enjoyed the performance, please feel free to show your appreciation with a contribution to the Bravo Bucket after the show. These donations are split among the cast at the close of all performances. Thank you!

The Mesquite Arts Theatre lovingly dedicates this performance to John & Judy Perser during this challenging time.

The Play That Goes Wrong

By Henry Lewis, Jonathan Sayer & Henry Shields

There will be one 15 minute intermission

CAST

Chris Bean James Mychael
Robert Grove Preston Wells
Jonathan Harris Bo Benny
Dennis Tyde Dennis Gullion
Sandra Wilkinson Victoria Sawyer-Wells
Max Bennett Phil Elins
Annie Twilloil Bryn Hottman
Trevor Watson Tyler Lewis
Backstage Magic DJ Provencio, KatyRose Holman

CREW

Director Stephanie Lewis
Assistant Director/Stage Manager Jen Phelps
Producer James Mychael
Set Design/Builder Stephanie Lewis/Mark Phelps
Costumer Wiloni Darrington
Lights/Sound Design Kellan Rekieta
Graphic Designer James Mychael

ABOUT THE CAST

JAMES MYCHAEL (Chris Bean as Inspector Carter) has always enjoyed performing on the Mesquite Arts Theatre stage, and this production of ***THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG*** is no exception. Past performances at the MAT include ***MISERY***, ***FRANKENSTEIN***, ***WAIT UNTIL DARK***, the World Premiere of ***DEATH BY DESIGN***, holiday favorite, ***A CHRISTMAS STORY***, literary classic ***AN IDEAL HUSBAND***, and the phenomenal ***THE ELEPHANT MAN***. To Stephanie Lewis... Thank you for allowing me to be a part of this wonderfully absurd spectacle! James would also like to express gratitude to this talented cast & crew for their dedication to this production and the immense talent and fortitude they've displayed.

PRESTON WELLS (Robert Grove as Thomas Colleymoore) is pleased to be back on stage at the MAT. He was most recently seen in ***THE ODD COUPLE*** as Roy. Preston graduated from the University of North Texas with a BA in Theatre in 2012. He manages Lakeside Florist in Rockwall. Preston relishes the challenge of this role, and hopes you thoroughly enjoy the show.

BO BENNY (Jonathan Harris as Charles Haversham) If you are reading this, then that means you are about to watch, are watching, or have watched, ***THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG*** in which Bo Benny is playing Jonathan who is playing the dead body of Charles Haversham. This is Bo's second show at the MAT and he is grateful for your support in the arts. If you are not watching, or have watched ***THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG***, featuring Bo with an All-Star cast, then what are you doing reading this?

ABOUT THE CAST

DENNIS GULLION (Dennis Tyde as Perkins) is ecstatic to be part of this long-awaited show and to work with director Stephanie Lewis, assistant director Jen Phelps, and this talented cast and production team. Dennis was last seen on the MAT stage as Grandpa Joe in **WONKA**. A veteran actor and director, some of his favorite roles include Captain Lesgate in **DIAL M FOR MURDER**, Selsdon Mowbray in **NOISES OFF**, Talton Demerest in **LIKE KISS-ING MOONLIGHT** (2022 Best Supporting Actor award), Rooster in **ANNIE** (Column Award nomination), and Orin Scrivello in **LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS**. He thanks his soulmate Kay for her love and support and gives glory to God for His many blessings.

VICTORIA SAWYER-WELLS (Sandra Wilkinson as Florence Colley Moore) is excited to be back on the stage as Sandra. This will be her 5th show at MAT, with her previous works including the world premiere of **THE FORTUNE COOKIE**, **LEADING LADIES**, the World Premiere of **DEATH BY DESIGN**, and **THE ODD COUPLE**. When Victoria isn't on stage, she can be found doing hair in Rockwall, starting an obscene amount of home DIY projects, or chasing after her son (fast little fella!) with her husband, Preston Wells. "Blasney, Blasney!"

PHIL ELINS (Max Bennet as Cecil Haversham & Arthur) After 25 years in New York City, including careers as a NYC Sanitation worker and a police officer, I've returned home to Texas and to the theatre, a passion that spans both my past and future. I am deeply honored to be performing with this talented cast and crew in another show here at Mesquite Arts Theatre. This year marks my third year in education, but my very first year teaching theatre at Frasier Middle School. With immense gratitude, I thank my children, Peyton and Mackenzie, for their constant love and support; I simply couldn't do this without them. Thank you all for supporting live theatre!

ABOUT THE CAST

BRYN HOTTMAN (Annie Twilloil) is over the moon to be a part of the Mesquite Arts Theatre's production of ***THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG***. Bryn has performed with the Mesquite Arts Theatre, Garland Civic Theatre, Rover Dramawerks, and The Corp Theatre. Some of her favorite roles have been Olivia Prescott in ***DOUBLE CUT***, Elizabeth Lavenza in ***FRANKENSTEIN***, Belinda Blair in ***NOISES OFF***, and Crystal Grant in ***LIKE KISSING MOON-LIGHT***. Most recently, Bryn directed the MAT's production of ***PERFECT WEDDING***. She would like to thank Director Stephanie Lewis and AD Jenn Phelps for casting her as Annie and for their wonderful direction, the cast and crew for being funny co-stars, and her husband Winston for his love and support.

JASON TYLER LEWIS (Trevor Watson) is excited to be performing with Mesquite Arts Theatre! He has previously appeared in productions, ***WILLY WONKA*** and ***THE ODD COUPLE***. Jason is grateful for the opportunity to share his love of theater with the audience, and looks forward to making more memories on stage. Enjoy the show!

DAVID (DJ) PROVENCIO (Haversham Manor Effects) is thrilled to be returning to the MAT stage for a second show! Previous roles include ***WONKA*** (MAT), Farquaad (***SHREK***), Stewpot (RSM) and a couple operas at SFA. This is his first role without singing, which is a big step for a choir teacher, but he hopes you'll thoroughly enjoy the show!

KATYROSE HOLMAN (Haversham Manor Effects) is so excited to participate in her dream play! This is her first play outside of high school but not her first show at Mesquite, you may recognize her as Patty in ***GREASE!*** Katy-Rose has also been in other musicals like ***MATILDA*** and ***SISTER ACT***. She is so thankful to the director, Stephanie, for pushing her forward and allowing her to be part of such a fun show.

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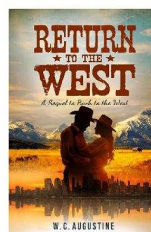
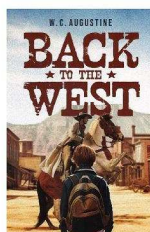
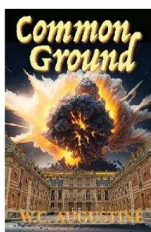
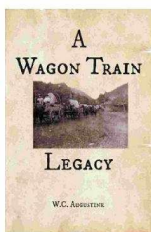
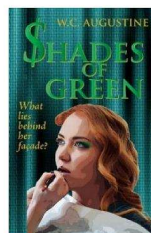
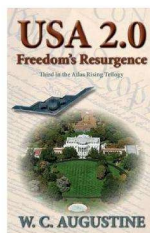
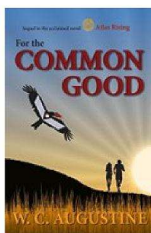
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