



COF THEATER PRESENTS

# TIME FLIES AND OTHER SHORT PLAYS by David Ives

Directed by Thomas Davison

Content Advisory: Today's performance contains portrayal of mature themes including language and images of implied sexual situations, the sound of a gun firing, and alcohol and drug use.

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by David Ives
Directed by
Thomas Davison

Assistant Director Campbell White, Simmons Stage Manager Rose Currie, WIT

Scenic Design Mads Otis, MassArt

Costumes Chair Anna Sa, Simmons Lighting & Sound Design Amber Kovacs, WIT

Props Master Madison Idzi, Simmons Construction Lead Lyla Kiely Cheyne, MassArt Alum

Production Manager Carolina Soto

Assistant Stage Manager Maren Root, MassArt Rabi Elmassih, WIT

## CAST

#### **ACT ONE**

**Arabian Nights** 

Flora

Norman

Interpreter

Lea Cabaero, Simmons

Jacob McGrail, WIT

Clarissa Weaver, Simmons

Soap Opera

Repairman

Mabel

**Washing Machine** 

Maitre'd

Mother

Madman

Friend

Announcer

Sam DeRose, MassArt

Emma Murray, MassArt

Grace McCarthy, MCPHS

Mia Fuentes, MassArt

Catherine Melnick, Emmanuel

Robert Fontenelli, MassArt

Bao Vuong, MassArt

Anthony Mora, MassArt

Roll Over, Beethoven

Robin

Dr. Goldenbaum

Rhiana Boutot, WIT

Zen Taborda, MassArt

Captive Audience

Laura

Rob

TV Man

**TV Woman** 

Georgina Davis, Simmons

Liam Depietro, Emmanuel Shubham Kishore, MCPHS

Maren Rininsland, MassArt

Babel's in Arms

Gorph

Cannaphlit

Eunuch

**High Priestess** 

Businesswoman

Sofia Totino, MCPHS

Maggie Whittemore, MassArt

Allie Wong, MCPHS

Olivia Stone, Emmanuel

Amanda McCluskey, MassArt

## CAST CONT.

#### 15 MINUTE INTERMISSION

refreshments available in the lobby

#### **ACT TWO**

#### **English Made Simple**

Director: Linnea Schenker

JackSalem Olivier, MassArtJillSaia Hussain, Simmons

**Voice** Fernanda Glagau Do Espirito

Santo, MCPHS

#### Mystery at Twicknam Vicarage

Director: Amanda McCluskey

Inspector DexterSienna Jeffries, SimmonsJeremyReef Bishop, MassArtMonaAllison Morley, MassArtRogerEvan Bouvier, MassArt

Sarah Mandy Strobel, MassArt

#### **Enigma Variations**

Bebe 1 Linnea Schenker, MassArt
Bebe 2 Amanda McCluskey, MassArt
Bill 1 Robert Fontenelli, MassArt
Bill 2 Anthony Mora, MassArt

**Fifi** Shaun Brothers, WIT

#### Time Flies

MaySheridan Wynne, MassArtHoraceAubrey Cheney, MassArtDavid AttenboroughNatalie Morris, MassArt

### CREW

#### **Backstage Crew**

Rose Currie, Maren Root, Rabi Elmassih Kristine Candy Antonio, Sophie Barcohana, Yuvraj Bhatt, Delilah Cavanaugh, Lyla Kiely Cheyne, Tiffany Esteves, Noah Gagnebin, Iris Goldson, Madison Idzi, Jane Nichols, Mads Otis, Anna Sa, Sabrina Thai

#### **Set Construction**

Sophie Barcohana, MCPHS Delilah Cavanaugh, MassArt Iris Goldson, MassArt

#### Lights & Sound

Sound Board: Ena Edmonds, Simmons Light Board: Julia Leite, MassArt Yuvraj Bhatt, MCPHS Jane Nichols, Simmons Sabrina Thai, Simmons

#### Paint & Design

Kristine Candy Antonio, WIT Sophie Barcohana, MCPHS Lyla Kiely Cheyne, MassArt Alum Noah Gagnebin, MassArt

#### Costumes

Lyla Kiely Cheyne, MassArt Alum Tiffany Esteves, MCPHS Audrey Fernau, MassArt Aster Jodoin, MassArt

#### **Props**

Sophie Barcohana, MCPHS Delilah Cavanaugh, MassArt Lyla Kiely Cheyne, MassArt Alum

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Welcome to this performance of "Time Flies and Other Short Plays" by David Ives. It has been a pleasure working with this talented group of actors, designers and technicians over this past semester. I am heartened that there was such demand and student participation in the COF Theater program this Fall that we are performing nine fully produced short plays for you!

David Ives has been called "the maestro of the short form" play. New York Times theater critic Vincent Canby described Ives as "wizardly ... magical and funny ... a master of language. He uses words for their meanings, sounds and associations, spinning conceits of a sort I've not seen or heard before. He's an original." Ives' plays are a lot of fun to perform, but they are challenging, too. They create imaginative situations with quick witted dialogue that demand a great sense of timing and the ability to play physical humor that often veers into the worlds of clowning or farce, both of which are difficult to pull off well! I am very proud of how each cast member immersed themselves in the scripts to discover and develop the rhythms, structures and physical sensibilities required to create each "world of the play". And the same is true for the designers and technical theater students who took on the challenge of creating a distinctive look and feel for each of the plays while also maintaining a sense of continuity through the whole play cycle. No small thing to do!

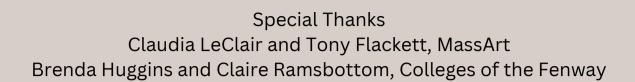
Theater is a collaborative art form. In the lives of these busy students, I am so very impressed with the thought, care, creativity and maturity that this ensemble brought to the process of creating this production together. We have had a blast working on these plays. We hope that joy comes through in this performance. So please sit back and enjoy the show! Thanks for coming! -TD

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

David Ives is perhaps best known for his evening of one-act plays, ALL IN THE TIMING (he has been included in the "Best Short Plays" series seven times), and for his drama VENUS IN FUR, which was nominated for a Tony Award for Best Play. His plays include NEW JERUSALEM: THE INTERROGATION OF BARUCH DE SPINOZA; THE SCHOOL FOR LIES (adapted from Molière's THE MISANTHROPE); THE LIAR (adapted from Corneille); TIME FLIES; and IS HE DEAD? (adapted from Mark Twain). He has also translated Feydeau's A FLEA IN HER EAR and Yasmina Reza's A SPANISH PLAY. A former Guggenheim Fellow in playwriting and a graduate of The Yale School of Drama, he lives in New York City.

## ABOUT THE DIRECTOR

Thomas Davison has directed, taught and performed theater in the United States and Europe. His directing credits include plays by Samuel Beckett, Anton Chekhov, David Ives, Sam Shepard and William Shakespeare. He studied theater at NYU's Tisch School for the Arts, is a member of The Dramatists Guild of America and the Spanish Guild of Authors & Editors, Spain. When he is not directing COF Theater he is Director of Business Development at American Public Television.



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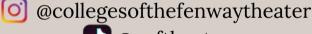
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