

Fall 98

Gunn High School Theatre Department Proudly Presents...

# The Real nspector Hound

By Tom Stoppard

AND

# BLACK COMEDY

By Peter Shaffer

Two Uproarious British Farces in One Evening!

November 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, and 21 at 8:00

in the Gunn Studio Theatre

\$6.00

Wednesday Matinee November 18

Opening Night Gala Celebration \$12.00

farce n 2 : a short dramatic work the sole object of which is to excite laughter

When Gunn English teacher Jenny Munro told me that she had seen *Black Comedy* and *The Real Inspector Hound* playing together in London this summer I was astounded at what a wonderful idea this was and miserable that I hadn't thought of it. I had always admired both of these pieces, which now that they are together in one evening seem an obvious fit. How shrewd of the Comedy Theatre to come up with such a clever bill. Both products of the sixties, the plays celebrate visual and verbal humor with an irreverence and edge befitting their era.

Peter Shaffer's *Black Comedy* was first produced in 1965 (The same year The Beatles released *Help!*). He went on to create several masterpieces of the stage including *Equus* and *Amadeus*. Tom Stoppard, whose love of words and wit was first unleashed on the world with his astounding *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead*, wrote *The Real Inspector Hound* in 1968. His more recent works include *Arcadia* and *Indian Ink*, which will be produced at ACT this season.

As the drums of war thunder in the Middle East and bad news from Honduras continues uninterrupted, staging a farce (or two) either provides an extremely welcome *divertissement* or is in inexcusably poor taste. Please take solace in several soothing facts: Regular and hearty laughter has been shown to improve both sleeping and digestive patterns; when we laugh we forget to cry; laughter bares the teeth for ease of gnashing and intimidation of potential adversaries...

One of the best parts of comedy is watching other people get in trouble. There but for the grace of God goes the audience, and the worse the trouble the better. We hope you enjoy watching our hapless protagonists get into the worst fixes two masters of the genre can concoct.

Jim Shelby

# The Real Inspector Hound

By Tom Stoppard

## & Black Comedy

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Director

Student Director

Set Design

Technical Director

Stage Manager

Sound Design

Light Designer

Assistant Stage Manager

Assistant Light Designer

Costume Design

Publicity Heads

House Manager

James Shelby

Kara Blitz

Rebecca Hinden

Elia Van Tuyl

Sonia Marie Castanier

Aurora Richard

Michael Nagy

Rebecca Blitz

Laura Ellis

Elena Veresh

Natasha Moustache

Brian Stempian

Amit Shaham

## Cast (in order of appearance)

### The Real Inspector Hound

BBC Voice / Body	Lisa Hanawalt
Moon	Penelope Van Tuyl
Birdboot	Ken Ruda
Mrs. Drudge	Lonica Soloman
Simon	Daniel Krass
Felicity	Elise Sbarbori
Cynthia	Hayden Rockson!
Magnus	Rob Walsh
Inspector Hound	Chris Poole

### Black Comedy

Brindsley	Jeff Marquess
Carol	Carolyn Arnold
Miss Furnival	Lizzie Lisha
Colonel	Brett Greiving
Harold	Mike Cohen
Schuppanzigh	Annette Georgia
Clea	Siobhan Doherty
Bamberger	Anika Gjerdrum

## Special Thanks

Suzie Brown (Our Angel Sent from above)

Mrs. Hu (all her wonderful sewing)

Ryan Teeter (Sculptor)

Moberly Family

Nagy Family

Ellis Family

Flowers by Bobbi

Theater Works

Joshua Turton

Ron Cooper

Garth Lewis

Hal Daner

Frank Flynn

Noreen Likins

Zac Fisher

Piazza's Fine Foods

Peel's Coffee

Stanford Morque

## Costume Crew

Jana Almen	Lisa Bozman
Rossan Chen	Peter Haptes
Aimei Hu	Penelope Van Tuyl
Hair & Make Up	Elena Veresh
Language Experts	Katharine Glaser
	Astrid Steffens
Properties Design	Sarah Marquess
	Emily Rasmussen
Paintings	Emily Rasmussen
	Rebecca Hinden
	Caroline White
	Carrie Wilson
	Christina Berumen
Program	Rebecca Blitz
	Mara Francesca W-M
	Emily Rasmussen
Poster Design	Rebecca Hinden
Sound Board	Maxwell Taylor
Master Electrician	Michael Nagy
Light Board Operator	Mark Gavertin

## Light Brigade

Rebecca Blitz	Laura Ellis
Avi Katz	Mara Francesca W-M
Maxwell Taylor	

Master Carpenters

Lara Chausow

Dan Moberly

## Construction Crew

Carolyn Arnold

Rebecca Blatt

Kara Blitz

Rebecca Blitz

Sonia Marie Casanier

Nick Dulin

Laura Ellis

Brett Greving

Lisa Hanawalt

Rebecca Hinden

Silja James

Avi Katz

Kelsey Laws

Belin Liu

Jeff Marquess

Sarah Marquess

Natasha Moustache

Michael Nagy

Emily Rasmussen

Ken Ruda

Brian Stempien

Mara Francesca W-M

Carrie Wilson

## Running Crew

Laura Anderson

Rebecca Blatt

Rebecca Blitz

Nick Dulin

Laura Ellis

Silja James

Belin Liu

Sarah Marquess

Michael Nagy

Negar Nasoohi

Emily Rasmussen

Brian Stempien

Mara Francesca W-M

Carrie Wilson

# Coming Soon

(to a Gunn theatre near you)

Spring Musical (tba!)

March 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20 1999

Student Directed One Acts —

May 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22 1999

There will be a fifteen minute intermission.

There will be two gunshots fired in  
tonight's program.

