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Director's Notes

Welcome to the Music Hall Royale! We at the Hall offer our most humble thanks for your distinguished presence and gracious patronage. Our talented and energetic company is delighted that you are here and eager to provide you with a rollicking good time! As our motto states: "Our Pride is Your Pleasure!"

Tonight we offer a unique event: the World Premiere of the Musical version of our late beloved Charles Dickens' last unfinished novel, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood". Since Mr. Dickens was not able to provide a solution to his poetic mystery, how shall we then come to the denouement of our story? How indeed shall we finish our production? Never fear! We have a few surprises for you, so hold on to your hats and gloves!

We must note: we are thrilled that, along with our regular company of gifted and enthusiastic performers, we were also able to secure the talents of the finest male impersonator in British Theatre, Miss Alice Nutting, so that we may offer you a truly authentic Music Hall experience.

And of course, we welcome those of you from the colonies "across the pond" who are visiting London in this serendipitous year of 1892, when England reigns supreme over lesser and exotic parts of the world, and is reigned over by Her Royal Highness, our beloved Queen Victoria.

Some of you Yankees may not be familiar with our good British system of currency, so let us apprise you regarding a selection of our coinage. You may recognize some of these terms used in one of our delightful musical numbers, "Both Sides of the Coin."

Hapenny (pronounced "hay-penny"): a half-pence (penny) coin Tupenny (pronounced "tup-penny"): a coin worth two pence (pennies) Thrupenny (pronounced "thrup-penny"): as you may have surmised, a coin worth three pence (pennies) Shilling (also called "bob"): a coin worth twelve pence Florin: a coin worth two shillings, or 24 pence

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Guinea: a coin worth 21 shillings, just one shilling more than a pound.

The management wishes to offer its most heartfelt thanks and gratitude to our illustrious and highly experienced designers: especially Stephen Sherwin, who designed our glorious Music Hall stage, Susan Sherwin, who created our colorful and confectionary costumes, David LaRose, whose immense range of talent and skill as our lighting designer belies his tender youth, and Mercer Aplin, whose sound designs so perfectly evoke the many moods of our production. Additional thanks to our stage manager Ben Kern, who has kept things running as smoothly and efficiently as the legendary Orient Express!

Finally, we offer most enthusiastic thanks and bravo/brava to our virtuosic Music Director, Maestro Tim Howard, and our terpsichoreographic sylph, Miss Jeannie Hill. Their talent, skill and dedication have set our production soaring!

So, as said before, we humbly and sincerely hope you have a rollicking good time here at The Music Hall Royale and "The Mystery of Edwin Drood"!

Your most obedient servant, Roger L. Nelson, director

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Department of Theatre & Dance

Presents

The Mystery of Edwin DROOD

Book, Music and Lyrics by Rupert Holmes Original Broadway Production Produced by The New York Shakespeare Festival Joseph Papp, Producer

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Mercer Aplin

Costume Designer Susan Sherwin*

Lighting Designer David LaRose

Scenic Designer Stephen Sherwin*

Properties Designer Britni Hart

Choreograper Jeannie Hill*

Please be aware that strobe lighting will be used during the performance

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The Mystery of Edwin Drood

Cast

Cast	
Mr. Thomas Purcell, maestro of The Music Hall Royale Orchestra Tim Howar	rd
Mr. William Cartwright, Chairman of the Music Hall Royale Alex Van Hand	el
Mr. James Throttle, Stage ManagerJesse Miche	ls
John Jasper, played by Mr. Clive PagetEvan Garr	ſу
Edwin Drood, played by Miss Alice NuttingKelsey Schmit	tz
Rosa Bud, played by Miss Deirdre PeregrineCourtney Grove	2S
Helena Landless, played by Miss Janet ConoverJohanna Jackso	n
Neville Landless, played by Victor GrinsteadCreg Scla	vi
The Reverend Mr. Crisparkle, played by Mr. Cedric MoncrieffeJames Hanse	n
The Princess Puffer played by Miss Angela PrysockErica Figuri	'n
Mayor Thomas Sapsea, played by Mr. James HitchensGeorge Spelvi	in
Durdles, played by Mr. Nick CrickerMatt Cook	e
Deputy, played by Master Nick CrickerErik Schneide	er
Flo, played by Miss Florence GillSadie Langem	10
Waiter/Bazzard, played by Mr. Phillip BaxNick Wheele	٩r
Horace, played by Mr. Harry SayleLuke Brad	dt
Wendy, played by Miss Gwendolyn PynnGrace Wale	s
Beatrice, played by Miss Isabel YearsleyKatie Deb)S

The Mystery of Edwin Drood (continued)

Cast (continued)

Opium Dream:
Shade of Drood played by Mr. Christopher LyonDaniel Rigamer
Shade of Jasper played by Master Nick CrickerErik Schneider
Dancers, played by Miss Violet BalfourKatie Bates Miss Sarah CookAllegra Berglund Miss Isabel YearsleyKatie Debs
Citizens of Cloisterham played by The Ensemble of the Music Hall Royale: Miss Violet BalfourKatie Bates Miss Sarah CookAllegra Berglund Miss Isabel YearsleyKatie Debs Miss Florence GillSadie Langemo Miss Gwendolyn PynnGrace Wales Mr. Harry SayleLuke Bradt Mr. Montague PruittMatt Briggs Mr. James ThrottleJesse Michels Mr. Christopher LyonDaniel Rigamer

The Orchestra

Conductor/Keyboard	Tim Howard*
Violin	Erin Ribble
Cello	Jesse Nummelin
Trumpet	Naomi Files
Flute/Piccolo	Diane Caporale

Musical Numbers

Act I

	Chairman & Company Drood & Jasper
	Rosa
	Puffer
Jasper's Vision	Ballet
	Helena, Neville, Drood, Rosa Crisparkle
Perfect Strangers	Drood & Rosa
No Good Can Come From Bad	Neville, Rosa, Helena, Drood
	Crisparkle, Jasper & Bazzard
Never The Luck	Bazzard with Ensemble
Off to the RacesChairm	an, Durdles, Deputy, Flo, with Company

Act II

A Private InvestigationDatch	
The Name of Love & Moonfall (reprise)	Ri osa & Jasper
	with Company
Don't Quit While You're Ahead	
The Garden Path to Hell	Puffer
Puffer's Revelation	Puffer
Out on a Limerick	Datchery
Murderer's Confession	<u>ר</u> ררר
Perfect Strangers (Reprise)	
The Writing on the Wall	

Production Staff

Assistant Stage ManagersJacqueline Barthuly, Nicholas Reising
Assistant Lighting DesignerWesley Haas
Assistant Choreographer/Dance CaptainKym Nolden
Nake-up DesignKatie Debs
Hair DesignCecelia Hill
Scenic ChargeKaitlin Younger
Scenic ArtistKara Schmelz, Leanna Vannarom & Brenda Dewaters
Properties TechniciansBarnhill
Deck Run CrewMaria Dacy, Emma Fitzsimmons, Emma Kennedy Amanda Knutson, Maggie Raymond, Angelina Wilson
Costume Run CrewMegan Bero, Justun Hart, Cecelia Hill Lauren Kacere, Kyle Martin, Ellen Petersen, Alex Sabin
Costume Shop ManagerWendy Dolan*
Cutter/DraperBarbara Cirmo*
Scene Shop ManagerChristopher Pheiffer*
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Scene Shop AssistantsMercer Aplin, Andy Broomell Nate Fitzwater-Butchart, Derek Kucksdorf, Nick Reising Creg Sclavi, Christopher Walls VORLAND INTERNS: Kyle Coyer, Michael Trudeau
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Meet the Company

- Aplin, Mercer (Sound Designer) Senior, BFA Design Technology Major from Madison, WI. Other works include Urinetown, Julius Caesar, The Little Foxes, Never the Sinner, The Inspector General and Floyd Collins. Recipient of the UWSP Theatre & Dance Scholarship in Design Technology and Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Regional Award for Excellence in Sound Design.
- **Barthuly, Jacqueline** (Assistant Stage Manager) Freshman, BA Drama Major from Kenosha, WI. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Scholarship.
- **Bates, Katie** (Succabae/Ensemble) Sophomore, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Mequon, WI. Past roles include Marcy in Dog Sees God.
- Bradt, Luke (Horace) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Maplewood, MN.
- Berglund, Allegra (Succabae/Ensemble) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Fargo, ND.
- **Briggs, Matthew** (Ensemble) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Cottage Grove, MN. Also performed as Cassius in Julius Caesar; Ensemble in 40 Days; Postmaster Ivan Kuznich in The Inspector General and Beethoven in The Players Production of Dog Sees God.
- **Caporale, Diane** (Flute/Piccolo) Dr. Caporale is a Genetics Professor in the Biology Department at UWSP. As part of her service, this is her sixth musical that she has performed in on campus.
- **Cooke, Matt** (Durdles) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Germantown, WI. Past roles include Ed Bishop in Floyd Collins, Berger in Hair and Ensemble in Rent. Recipient of the First Nighters Scholarship.
- **Daniels, Ali** (House Manager) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Plover, WI. Past roles include Dardanius in Julius Caesar; Ensemble in 40 Days; CB's sister in The Players Production of Dog Sees God.
- **Debs, Katie** (Ensemble & Make-up Design) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Middleton, WI. Other roles include Pam in RENT; Ensemble in 40 Days; Jeanie in Hair; Clitus in Julius Caesar and dancer in Afterimages.
- Figurin, Erica (The Princess Puffer) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Rockford, IL. Other roles include a Caroler in She Loves Me; Tribe in Hair; Mrs. Cohen in RENT and Miss Jane in Floyd Collins.
- Files, Naomi (Trumpet) Junior BM Music Education Major from Neenah, WI.

Meet the Company (continued)

- Garry, Evan (John Jasper) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Lodi, WI. Past roles include Ensemble in She Loves Me; Ensemble and Tribe in Hair; Angel in RENT and Homer in Floyd Collins.
- **Groves, Courtney** (Rosa Bud) Sophomore, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Coon Rapids, MN. Past roles include Ensemble in Floyd Collins.
- Haas, Wesley (Assistant Lighting Designer) Freshman, BFA Design Technology Major from Milwaukee, WI.
- Hansen, James (The Reverend Mr. Crisparkle) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Waunakee, WI. Past roles include Volumnius in Julius Caesar; dancer in Afterimages 2007; Ensemble in Hair; dancer in Danstage 2009; Gordon in RENT; Reporter in Floyd Collins.
- Hargarten, Peter (House Manager) Sophomore, BFA Acting Major from Appleton, WI. Past roles include, Reporter #1 in Never the Sinner; Horace Giddens in The Little Foxes; Stephan Ilich in The Inspector General; HT Charmichael in Floyd Collins; Ed Hrivnak in Soldiers Circle.
- Hart, Britni (Properties Designer) Junior, BFA Design Technology and Business Administration Major from Oshkosh, WI. Other works include RENT, Nickel & Dimed and What the Butler Saw.
- Hencheck, Abigail (House Manager) Junior, BA Drama, BA Arts Management and German Major from Green Bay, WI. Also did costume work on *Afterimages* 2009.
- Hill, Cecelia (Wigs/Make-up) Sophomore, BFA Design Technology Major from Mequon, WI. Also did costume work on Afterimages 09, The Inspector General, What the Butler Saw and The Magic Flute. Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Award in Design Technology.
- Jackson, Johanna (Helena Landless) Sophomore, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Greeley, CO. Past performances include Waitress/ Corporal's Widow in The Inspector General and Mrs. Prentice in What the Butler Saw.
- Kern, Ben (Stage Manager) Senior, BFA Design Technology Major from Kaukauna, WI. Other work includes Baby, Danstage, Hair, Floyd Collins, and RENT. Recipient of the Isabelle Prize in Student Directing and the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Fine Arts Award in Design Technology.

Meet the Company (continued)

- Langemo, Sadie (Flo/Ensemble) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Minneapolis, MN. Other roles include Soupy Sue in Urinetown; Nurse in Baby; Kate Smith in Hair; Amalia in She Loves Me; Alexi Darling/Ensemble in RENT; Performances at Arts Bash 08/09/10 and Assistant Director for Dog Sees God. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Incoming Freshman in Musical Theatre Award.
- LaRose, David (Lighting Designer) Senior, BFA Design Technology and History Major from Plover WI. Past work includes Urinetown, Baby, Never the Sinner, The Little Foxes, the Inspector General, Nickle & Dimed and ACDFA. Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Fine Arts Award in Design Technology, Crosby Scholarship and the Isabelle Stelmahoske London Scholarship and Kennedy Center American College Regional Theatre Festival Society of Property Artists and Managers Outstanding Achievement in Properties Design.
- Michels, Jesse (Mr. James Throttle) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major and Dance Minor from Inver Grove Heights, MN. Other roles include Walter/Ensemble in Hair; Support Group Leader/Ensemble in RENT; Busboy/Caroler in She Loves Me; dancer in Danstage 2010.
- Nagrant, Susan (House Manager) Junior, BA Arts Management Major and Theatre Minor from Shawano, WI.
- Nolden, Kym (Assistant Choreographer/Dance Captain) Junior, BA Dance Major from Prairie du Sac, WI. Past performances in Afterimages 2008 & 2009 and Danstage 2009 & 2010.
- Nummelin, Jesse (Cello) Junior BM Music Major; applied voice and applied strings from Stevens Point, WI. Recipient of the Richard Hofmeister Soiree Musicale Scholarship, Special Honor Cello Scholarship, CWSO/UWSP String Scholarship, Edmund Bukolt String Scholarship and the Music Department Scholarship.
- **Reising, Nicholas** (Assistant Stage Manager) Junior, BFA Design Technology Major from Potosi, WI. Past work in HAIR, The Little Foxes, She Loves Me, Danstage 2009, RENT, What the Butler Saw and Danstage 2010. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Incoming Freshman in Design Technology, Anne Gilfrey Schierl Fine Arts Scholarship in Design Technology and the UWSP Leadership Award.
- **Ribble, Erin** (Violin) Senior, BM Music Major; applied strings and Jazz Studies from Stevens Point, WI. Recipient of the Susan E. Coleman Scholarship and the Edmund Bukolt String Scholarship.

Meet the Company (continued)

- **Rigamer, Daniel** (Shade of Drood /Ensemble) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Kenner, LA.
- Schmitz, Kelsey (Edwin Drood) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Green Bay, WI. Past performances include Ensemble in 40 Days; Ensemble in She Loves Me; Suzannah/Tribe in Hair; Ensemble in RENT and Nellie in Floyd Collins. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Incoming Freshman in Musical Theatre Award.
- Schneider, Erik (Deputy/Shade of Drood/Ensemble) Sophomore, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Amherst Junction, WI.
- Sclavi, Creg (Neville Landless) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Fond du Lac, WI. Past performances include Lucius in Julius Caesar; Arpad in She Loves Me; Ensemble in Hair; Sqwank Avis in The Happy Prince; Steve & Squeegie Guy in RENT; Nicholas Beckett in What the Butler Saw and performances in ArtsBash 2009 & 2010.
- Spelvin, George (Mayor Sapsea) Undeclared Major from Westend, WI.
- Van Handel, Alex (Chairman) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Hartford, WI. Past performances include Kenneth Tally, Jr. in Fifth of July; Ensemble in Baby; Claude in Hair, Ensemble in She Loves Me; Reporter/Dr. Hazlett in Floyd Collins; and performances at ArtsBash 2009 & 2010. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Incoming Freshman in Musical Theatre Award.
- Vannarom, Leanna (Scenic Artist) Sophomore, BFA Design Technology Major from Sussex, WI. Other work includes Dog Sees God, Nickle & Dimed, RENT and Floyd Collins
- Wales, Grace (Wendy/Ensemble) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Elkhorn, WI. Past performances include Ensemble in She Loves Me; Mother Merchant in The Inspector General. Also the Assistant Stage Manager for Dog Sees God. Recipient of the Neale Alumni Honors Scholarship.
- Wheeler, Nick (Bazzard) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Moorhead, MN.
- Younger, Kaitlin (Scenic Charge) Senior, BFA Design Technology Major from Menasha, WI. Past work in Julius Caesar, Hair, The Inspector General, What the Butler Saw and Players Productions of Complete Works of Shakespeare Unabridged and Dog Sees God.

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