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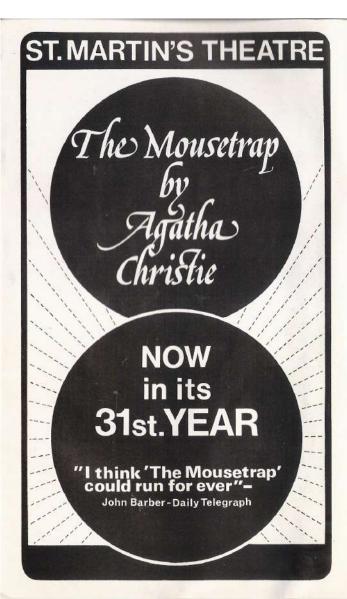
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EXHIBITIONS

The Society of British Theatre Designers are presenting (from 24 February to 19 March) an exhibition of contemporary stage design at the Round House Gallery. Over 100 designers who live and work in Britain will be participating with drawings, photographs, models and costumes for productions that have all been realised during the last four years. Fringe, Regional, National and Commercial Theatre Companies will all be represented. This exhibition will include work by our established designers and the new generation. There will be work by designers such as John Bury, Alison Chitty, Nadine Bayliss, Pamela Howard, Ralph Koltai, John Napier and Carl Toms. A rich variety of work will be exhibited including; designs from productions at the Unicorn Theatre (Ralph Adron), English National Opera (Maria Bjornson), a new David Hare play at the National Theatre (Hayden Griffen), plays from the Palace Theatre, Watford (Joe Vanek) and Theatre (Varru (Martin Morley), costumes for Soctish Opera and Children's Music Theatre (Alix Stone) and Shakespearean plays at Ludlow Castle (Sydney Jowers), drawings from student productions at the Royal Academy of Music (Richard Bullwinkle) and dance and mime productions at the Royal Academy of Music (Richard Bullwinkle) and dance and mime productions of this month.

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The Royal Academy of Arts are exhibiting the famous Gimabue Crucifix from the Church of Santa Croce in Florence. The galleries will be kept open on Good Friday for the first time in many years, so the public can see this moving painting of Christ on the cross over Easter. Cimabue (c. 1240 – c. 1302) is considered by the Florentine tradition to be the first great artist of the Italian School, The crucifix, his best work, was a famous victim in 1966 of the Arno floodings when the entire cultural heritage of Florence was threatened. The crucifix was painstakingly restored over a period of 10 years at the Institutodi Restauro di Firenze. In 1981 the idea of exhibiting the crucifix was conceived by Olivetti and the painting comes to the Royal Academy from the Metropolitan



Museum in New York and the Lôuvre. The exhibition, which has been designed by Alan Irvine, also includes photographs and door mentary material relating to the crudifix and the history of its restoration. Admission: for Adults £1, concessionary rate and Sunday mornings 50p, Children of 18 and under and School parties 25p. Hours: Open 10 – 6 daily.

RECORDS

Thats Entertainment Records in Covent Garden have announced an agreement with Decca Records whereby That's Entertainment will re-issue and re-instate the entire Decca original Cast Album catalogue. This agreement will continue for the next five years. Annong the first albums to be released are Oliter, Oh, What a Losely War, Rogers & Hammersteins' Cinderella, Half a Sixpence, Lionel Barr's Fing's and "rebat they used to be, Lock up your Daughters and the first ever LP release of the Noel Coward musical Pacife 1860 starring Mary Martin and the London cast. To name but a few!

FILMS

Due for release on 24 March is the new movie 48 hours, starring Nick Nolte (of Rich Man, Poor Man fame) and Eddie Murphy. Directed by Walter Hill, produced by Lawrence Gordon and Joel Silver and written by Walter Hill and Roger Spottiswoode, the movie is a violent, profane and fanny police thriller which is furnished with up-to-the-minute tough talk that pops out of the characters' mouths like a comic's patter. The story opens with black convict Reggie Hammond (Eddie Murphy), a slick con artist, who is let out of prison for two days for the sole purpose of helping detective Jack Cates (Nick Nolte) find a vicious cop killer. Initially, the two men don't get on too well, but after several fairly hell raising ordeals, (during which they are both nearly killed), they finish up a loval and amusing couple. The direction by Mr. Hill is violent and slapdash, and the shooting scenes so bloody and fast, that you almost feel you are watching it all from a roller coaster. Annette O'Toole plays Nolte's girlfriend and James Remax, the nasty cop killer. Apart from being an exciting movie with a good story line, it also offers a pounding, strong musical score written by James Horner (whose credits include Star Trek and The Wrath of Kham) adding extra atmosphere to a compelling film.



Harrods. Bambi is one of a wide collection of riarrous, bambi is one of a wine collection of picture sweaters designed by Ann Arundell who exports widely, Japan being one of the largest importers. The Animal sweaters are in brushed Mohair and are as snug as they are beautiful.

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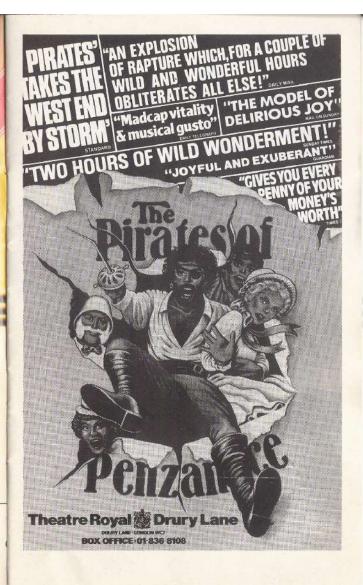
Bambi is the obvious name of this charming handknit sweater in finest Mohair. It is designed by Ann Arundell and is in pure white with an endearing bambi knitted in natural colours on the front. The sweater is also obtainable in black, claret, navy and turquoise backgrounds and available from the Clansman at

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A BIRMINGHAM REPERTORY THEATRE PRODUCTION

Irving Berlin

Born Israel Baline, 11 May 1888 at Ternum in Russia. Emigrated to the USA as a result of Cossack anti-semitism and raids on Jewish villages. Settled in New York 1892. 1896, death of his father who sang regularly at his synagogue. As a result Israel got his first job selling newspapers. Israel ran away from home at the age of 14 and made his living by singing in the streets and bars. 1906 brought him his first permanent job as a singing waiter at Pelham's Cafe on Pell Street. 1907 wrote with the pianist from Pelham's, his first song Marie from Sunny Italy. First used the name Irving Berlin (lyrics only). 1911 Alexander's Ragtime Band published. 1935 Top Hat for Fred Astaire. 1938 God Bless America published. Other hits include: Annie Get Your Gun, White Christmas, Easter Parade. Jerome Kern said of Irving Berlin: "Irving Berlin has no place in American music. He is American music." Berlin could not write music and had to employ a music secretary to put down his compositions. Nor could he play the piano properly. He played by ear and only in F sharp major. His piano had a special pedal to allow him to play everything in this key. Irving Berlin was every proud to be an American and always grateful to the USA for allowing his family to escape the persecution of Imperial Russia. During the Second World War he donated all the royalties from God Bless America, some ten million dollars to the US war effort. For this and other acts of patriotism he was awarded the Medal of Merit in 1945 and also received a gold medal for God Bless America in 1954.

Howard Lindsay & Russel Crouse

The Lindsay and Crouse partnership was probably the longest collaboration of any other writers in theatrical history, lasting for more than 28 years. In addition to Call Me Madam, their hit shows include the long-run record-holder Life With Father, Pullitzer Prize winning The State of the Union, Red, Hot and Blue, Happy Hunting and The Sound of Music. Howard Lindsay was born in Waterford, New York in 1889 and died in 1968. He became an actor at 19 and in 1913 began a five year stay with the Margaret Anglin Co. After Infantry service in World War I, his first big break was to act and direct in the George S. Kaufman hit Dulcy in 1921. Lindsay wrote many plays before tearning up with Russel Crouse on Anything Goes in 1934. Russel Crouse was born in Findlay, Ohio, in 1893 and died in 1966. At 17 he became a reporter for the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune. After serving in the Navy in World War I, he worked on New York newspapers, gaining his first renown through a signed column on the Post. In 1932 he became head of the publicity department for the Theatre Guild and in 1933 he wrote his first Broadway show collaborating with Corey Ford on the musical comedy Hold Your Horses. From 1934 on, he wrote only with Lindsay.

NOELE GORDON

Known to millions as the former star of Crossroads, Noele has won eight awards, in particular Top Personality and Most Popular Television Actress of the year, culminating with TV Hall of Fame Award for having won eight awards (first person to do so). When commercial television was on the horizon she went to America for a year to study TV at New York University and made several appearances on American TV. She had done quite a lot of TV work in England, being the first person to be televised in colour and big screen by J. L. Baird during his experiments at Crystal Palace. She had also made appearances for BBC TV, one of the most notable being a production of Ah Wildemess, which ran for 75 minutes and had about ten sets — a record in those days. On her return to England in 1955 to take up an appointment with ATV, she helped to screen their first ever programme to go on the air, Week End, a Saturday morning magazine programme. After a few weeks work establishing the programme, Noele went to Birmingham and has been in the

Midlands ever since. She worked from an office in the Theatre Royal, Birmingham, helping to get ATV – The Midlands on the air in 1956 and although expecting to remain a "back-room girl" was called in front of cameras to put on an emergency programme entitled Tea with Noele Gordon. The show was a success and since then Noele has turned her back on being a TV executive and concentrated more on work in front of the cameras. Early TV shows include Fancy That, Lunch-Box, Noele Gordon Takes The Air and Midland Profile. Although she has achieved fame on television, Noele is equally at home and as well-known on stage, having appeared in numerous top musicals and pantomimes in London and throughout Britain. Born in London of Scottish parents, she first appeared on stage at the age of 2½ – leading a song-and-dance chorus at charity concert parties. After school, she won a scholarship to RADA and went on to appear with various repertory companies in Edinburgh, Glasgow, Birmingham and London. It was while working for George Black Jnr. that his father, the great George Black, heard her sing in a repertory



production of Suspense and was so impressed that he gave her the leading role in his touring company's revue, Black Velvet. George Black then offered Noele one of the leads in his London production of Let's Face It and she stayed in the West End for Lisbon Story, Big Ben, Diamond Lif and Red Riding Hood at the Adelphi Theatre, Bet Your Life with Arthur Askey, and Brigadoon at Her Majesty's Theatre. She played over 1,000 performances of Brigadoon and was honoured by a Royal Command Performance in 1949. She has appeared on stage as Principal Boy at the London Palladium in Humpty Dumpty and in the National Company of Call Me Madam. In 1974 she starred in Larry Grayson's show at the London Palladium and crowned a distinguished career when she was honoured by a further Royal Command Performance at the Palladium in November 1981. Noele has been the subject of This Is Your Life and has appeared in many other TV programmes. Noele has a recording contract with EMI and her first single After All These Years and Goodbye, was released last year. Christmas 81/82, Noele starred in Gypsy at the Haymarket Theatre, Leicester. Followed by a very successful tour of the Middle and Far East playing Madam Dubonet in the musical The Boyfriend, and then starred in this production of Call Me Madam at the Birmingham Repertory Theatre.

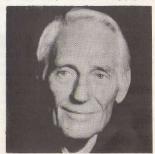
BASIL HOSKINS

After training at RADA, played for five seasons with the Stratford Memorial Theatre (now RSC) culminating in a European tour of Peter Brook's productions of *Titus Andronicus* with Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh, which then played a season in London at the old Stoll Theatre. This was followed by a season in Australia for the Old Vic, playing opposite Katharine Hepburn. First leading part in London followed in Jean Louis Barrault's production of Giraudoux's *Duel of Angels*, once again with Vivien Leigh, playing her husband. Then followed various London appearances including *Ross* with Alec Guinness, *Boston Story*, *Let's Get A Divorce*, with Fenella Fielding, *Highly Confidential* with Hermoine Gingold, and a musical version of *The Relapse*, called *Virtue in Danger*. Last appearance in London was in *Applause*, with Lauren Bacall, at Her Majesty's. Basil has played several seasons for the Manitoba Theater, Canada, and at various regional theatres in England, including a production of *A Little Night Music* with Honor Blackman and Evelyn Laye, which subsequently did a national tour for Triumph Theatre Productions. Last year he appeared in his first thriller, *Murder in Mind* at the Strand Theatre, London. Films include *Ice Cold in Alex*, *The Millionairess*, *Northwest Frontier*, and most recent TV appearances: *Edward VII*, *The Prisoner*, *The Betrienders*, *Clayhanger*, *New Avengers* and Sir John Millais in *Lillie*.

JEREMY HAWK

Born in Johannesburg of theatrical parents, Jeremy was brought up in Yorkshire and educated at Harrow. His stage career began in the West End at the Comedy Theatre in New Faces in 1939. Since then he has been in numerous West End productions, including Ladies in Retirement, Jane, Dark Summer, Harvey and The Lyric and Globe Revues. In 1968 he played Percival Brown in The Boyfriend at the Comedy Theatre. He followed this by starring in The Secretary Bird in South Africa, returning to go immediately into The Happy Apple at the Apollo Theatre. Then for twenty months he starred at the Savoy Theatre in The Secretary Bird, after which he appeared in Don't Start Without Me in South Africa, and then Move Over Mrs Markham at the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre duildford. This was followed by The Man Most Likely To at the Duke of York's. He appeared again at the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in Death of a Salesman and The Circle which were taken for a short season to Hong Kong. In 1976 he went on an extensive tour of The First Mrs Fraser with John Clements and Anna Neagle. He then spent several months in the West End in Clause Celebre at Her Majesty's Theatre, after which he spent a summer in Eastbourne with Mollie Sugden in Relatively Speaking, and followed this by going again to South Africa to appear in Sextet. Last Christmas he appeared at Nottingham Playhouse in Lady in the Dark and has just been seen in Not Now Darling at Toronto. This was followed by Rules of the Game with Leonard Rossiter at the Yvonne Arnaud which then toured. TV appearances include five years with the very popular





Criss Cross Quiz, Shillingbury Tales and Little Lord Fauntleroy, plus all the early Benny Hill Shows.

WILLIAM RELTON

William made his professional debut in 1971 at the New Theatre where he played the title role in The Winslow Boy with Kenneth More. This was followed by an Armchair Theatre production, Competition, and Oh Fat White Woman for television, and at Christmas 1971 he starred as Jennings for BBC Radio. Since then theatre credits have included: Cherubino in The Marriage of Figaro – National Theatre; Winterthing and Superkid in Venus and Superkid — Unicom Theatre and Roundhouse; Young Writers Festival – Royal Court Upstairs; The Unexpected Guest — Liverpool; Getting On — Watford Palace; Simon in Hay Fever – English Speaking Theatre, Vienna (also recorded for Viennese TV); title role in The Gingerbread Man – Garden Centre, Brighton; Prince Edward in Edward II – Royal Lyceum, Edinburgh; The Royal Hunt of the Sun and Present Laughter — Liverpool Playhouse; Private Flowers in Privates on Parade and Principal Boy in pantomime – Salisbury Playhouse; Ionescopade – New End; Sweeney Todd – Drury Lane Theatre; title role in Candide and Amiens in As You Like It – 1981 Edinburgh Festival and Birmingham Rep; Aladdin – Northcott, Exeter; Lucentio in The Taming of the Shrew at the Nottingham Playhouse which then went to Regent's Park Open Air Theatre where he also played Lysander in A Midsummer Night's Dream; Wilfred Owen in a one-man show All The Arts of Hurting – Nottingham Playhouse. Several radio broadcasts including Friday Night is Music Night. TV work has included: The Wessex Tales, The Tomorrow People, Clayhanger, The Lost Boys and recently the role of Terry Colman in Diamonds. He has done several recitals on the South Bank with The English Echoes of Which he is a founder member. William enjoys making and drinking home-made wine and is an avid collector of old Wagner recordings.

VERONICA PAGE

Veronica is an actress who is an experienced singer and fully trained dancer (Royal Ballet School). Her theatre credits include: Liesl in *The Sound of Music* at the Palace Theatre; Cinders in *Cinderella* at Golders Green Hippodrome, King's Theatre Edinburgh, Royal Court Liverpool, Pavilion Bournemouth, and Wimbledon Theatre London; Rose in *Strike A Light* at the Piccadilly Theatre, London and on tour; Alice in *Dick Whittington* at the New Theatre, Oxford; Ingenue in the tour of *The World* and *Music of Ivor Novello*; Sally in *Wedding Fever* at the Pavilion, Torquay; Charlie in *Charlie Girl* at the Adelphi Theatre, London, and Maria in the tour of *West Side Story*. Most recently Anne Egermann in *A Little Night Music* at the Adelphi Theatre, London and Maggie in *A Chorus Line* at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane. TV credits include: episodes of *Dixon of Dock Green* and *Emergency Ward* 10, *Charlie Girl*, Virgin of the Secret Service, and *The Professionals; Documentary on Danny La Rue* for BBC. Film: played Oliver's mother in *Olivier*. Radio: *The Mighty and Their Fall*.







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Cast (in order of appearance) Mrs Sally Adams
The Secretary of State
Supreme Court Justice Congressman Wilkins Henry Gibson Kenneth Gibson Senator Gallagher Frey Miss Phillips Butler Senator Brockbank Cosmo Constantine Pemberton Maxwell Clerk Hugo Tantinnin Sebastian Sebastian Princess Maria Court Chamberlain Maid Grand Duchess Sophie Grand Duke Otto The Ocarina Children

NOELE GORDON COLIN THOMAS STEVE O'HARA BERNARD MARTIN MICHAEL HARDING WILLIAM RELTON JOHN ARON JAMES TILLITT LINDA DE PAUW CHRISTOPHER MARLOWE DAVID ALDER **BASIL HOSKINS** JEREMY HAWK BRUCE MORRISON JONATHAN OWEN STEFAN PAUL SANCHEZ VERONICA PAGE COLIN THOMAS MARY LINCOLN MOYNA COPE MICHAEL HARDING JONATHAN BAXTER, TIMOTHY LE-RASLER, SARAH MELIA, CRAIG MILL, SIMON VYVYAN, AYSHA ROHMAN, NICOL LEVENE

Ladies and Gentlemen of America and Lichtenburg: Roslyn Cole, Margaret Foyer, Nigel Garton, Christine Ling, Catherine Francoise McCarney, Mandi Martin, Ian Parkin, Debbie Riordan, Robin Slater, Carl Toop, Andrew Wightman

The Ocarina Children are from the Barbara Speake Stage School.

Orchestra

Keyboard/Deputy Conductor Jo Stewart, Clarinet/Alto Sax Chris Condon, Alto Sax/Piccolo/ Clarinet Allan Shephard, Tenor Sax/Clarinet/Bass Clarinet Don Savage, Accordian Don Ross, Drums Kevin Campbell, Percussion James Hood.

Director Production Designed by Choreographer Associate Choreographer Production Musical Director Lighting Designer

ROGER REDFARN TERRY PARSONS TUDOR DAVIES KENN OLDFIELD FD COLEMAN **GRAHAM LARGE**

Scene 1 Office of the Secretary of State ACT ONE Scene 2 Scene 3 Sally's living room in Washington Public Square in Lichtenburg Reception room in the American Embassy The Lichtenburg Fair Scene 4 Scene 5

Scene 6

A corridor in the Palace Sally's sitting room in the Embassy

ACT TWO

Scene 1 A Lichtenburg Arcade Scene 2 The Embassy Ballroom Scene 3 Sally's sitting room in the Embassy Scene 4 Sally's living room in Washington

The play is set in two mythical countries, one is Lichtenburg, the other the United States of America where Harry Truman is President.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

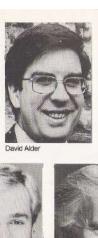
ACT ONE Mrs Sally Adams The Hostess with the Mostes' on the Ball The Washington Square Dance Lichtenburg Can you use any money today Marrying for love The Ocarina It's a lovely day today It's a lovely day today (reprise) The best thing for you Can you use any money today

The Company Sally and the Company Sally and the Company Cosmo and the Company Sally Cosmo and Sally Princess Maria and the Company Kenneth and Princess Maria Kenneth and the Company

Interval

ACT TWO Lichtenburg Something to dance about Once upon a time, today They like lke You're just in love The best thing for you (reprise) It's a lovely day today (reprise) Mrs Sally Adams (reprise) You're just in love

Cosmo and the Company Sally and the Company Kenneth Wilkins, Brockbank and Gallagher Kenneth and Sally Sally Kenneth and Princess Maria The Company Saily and the Company

















































Andrew Wightman



Call Me Madam has been rated as one of Irving Berlin's most enchanting shows – fresh, light and beguilling with lyrics that fall out of it with grace and humour. The show was first performed on Broadway, at the Imperial Theatre, in 1950 and starred Ethel Merman. It was an immediate success and ran for 644 performances. Jack Hylton's production of Call Me Madam at the London Coliseum starred Billie Worth, a then little-known actress, who had been Mary Martin's successor in the touring company of Annie Get Your Gun. The show received a turnultuous ovation on the opening night and proved to be such a huge success that, in 1953, a duplicate touring version was set up to run simultaneously with the smash-hit West End show. Noele Gordon was cast in the lead of the touring version with Frank Leighton as the man who steals her heart. The play is set in two mythical countries, one is called Lichtenburg, the other the United States of America, where Harry Truman is President.

ROGER REDFARN (Director)

Roger Redfarn has two productions running concurrently in London: he also directed the award-winning Underneath the Arches, now in its second year at the Prince of Wales Theatre. Call Me Madam is his second show at the Victoria Palace, A Bedfull of Foreigners, with Terry Scott and June Whitfield opened there before its transfer to the Duke of York's. This followed The King and I at the Adelphi, and then came Dad's Army at the Shaftesbury, Murder Arnong Friends at the Comedy and Happy Birthday at the Apollo. The award of a Winston Churchill Memorial Fellowship as a stage director in 1974 enabled Roger Redfam to study the American reliablishing as a stage director in 1974 enabled hoger negrant to study the Amarican musical scene on a tour of the USA. By then he had directed more than 50 major productions as Associate Director at the Belgrade, Coventry, including such diverse plays as Juno and the Paycock, The School for Scandal and War and Peace. He was also responsible for large-scale musicals such as West Side Story, No, No, Nanette and The Pajama Game. He recently enjoyed further acclaim for his direction of another mammoth American musical starring Noele Gordon, Gypsy, at the Haymarket, Leicester. The most recent of some 20 spectacular pantomimes was Jack and the Beanstalk, with Frankie Howerd and June Whitfield, at Chichester last Christmas, and his 1983 touring production of Hobson's Choice was the first play presented at the newly refurbished Theatre Royal, Bath. Other 1983 commitments include Neil Simon's cornedy Barefoot in the Park in the Middle East; a specially devised revue to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Hong Kong Hilton, and a new play at the Churchill, Bromley

TERRY PARSONS (Production Designer)

1983 sees a West End 'hat-trick' for Terry Parsons when he will have designed three major London shows running at the same time: *Underneath the Arches*, the awardwinning show at The Prince of Wales Theatre; Call Me Madam here at The Victoria Palace; and Singing in the Rain starring Tommy Steele at The London Palladium. Previous West End shows include Dad's Army, A Bedfull of Foreigners, Charley's Previous West End shows include Dad's Army, A Bedfull of Foreigners, Charley's Aunt, The Travelling Music Show, Dead Easy, Bunny, Dean, The King and I and The Pleasure of His Company. Overseas Terry has designed a wide range of productions in Canada, New Zealand, The Middle East, Australia, Hong Kong and Bangkok; whilst at home he has designed numerous plays and musicals at Blimingham, Billingham, Bromley, Chichester, Coventry, Edinburgh, Guildford, Leicester, Lincoln, Richmond and Sheffield. Calamity Jane, Pygmalion, George and Mildred and The Dresser are among the many national tours he has designed. During his time as Head of Design at The Haymarket Theatre in Leicester between 1980 and 1982, Terry's designs included the world premiere of Graham Greene's For Whom the Bell Chimes, Ray Cooney's new play Two Into One—shortly heading for the West End—and the musicals Gird and Gyosy, the latter starring Noele Gordon. Born in Cardiff and the musicals *Gigi* and *Gypsy*, the latter starring Noele Gordon. Born in Cardiff, Terry trained at Cardiff Art College and then The Central School Of Art in London where he was awarded an Arts Council Scholarship to The Belgrade Theatre in

Coventry. Within months he was appointed Head of Design there and went on to design over one hundred productions for the company. Whilst at Coventry he met and married his wife Bridget who was Wardrobe Mistress at the theatre, and they now live in Watford with their four children.

TUDOR DAVIES (Choreographer)

Tudor was born in Oxford and has had an extensive career as actor, director and choreographer. As an actor — Theatre: Twang, Robert and Elizabeth, Cowardy Custard, Hellow Dolly, Dame in Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Oh Mr. Porter, Mother Goose, The Gypsy Princess and The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein — both for Sadler's Wells. TV: The Tom Jones Show, The Burt Bacharach Show, The Marty Feldman Show, The Music Makers, Have a Harry Birthday with Harry Secombe.

BBC Songwriters series. As a director – Theatre: Cowardy Custard (National tour and in Canada), Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Humpty Dumpty, Babes in the Wood, The Fantasticks, Cole, Pinocchio, Dracula. As a choreographer – Theatre: Tommy, Calamity Jane, The Fenella Fielding Revue, Waiting for the Parade, Wonderland, Underneath the Arches; TV: Pennies from Heaven, She Loves Me, Showstoppers, The Starlite Ballroom. Films include Young Girls of Rochefort, 200 Motels, Women in Love, Great Expectations. Following Call Me Madam at the Birmingham Repertory Theatre, Tudor returned to Canada to play Widow Twankey in Aladdin at the Royal Alex Theatre, then to Sadler's Wells for a new season of operetta.

KENN OLDFIELD (Associate Choreographer)

Trained at Rambert School of Ballet, Arts Educational School and The Dance Centre in London. Has been a teacher at the London School of Dance and Drama. Bruckner Conservatorium. Austria and The Actors Centre. As a dancer – Theatre: Chicago and A Chorus Line in the West End, has appeared with the Landestheater Ballet Company, Linz, Austria; TV: two Royal Variety Command Performances, Captain and Tennille, Cleo Laine Show, Paul Daniels Show, Films: The Great Muppet Movie Caper, Valentino, The Prince and the Pauper, The Wall, The Hunger. As a choreographer credits include Chicago, Aladdin, Cabaret, Sing Happy, Pullman 55, West Side Story, Silk Stockings, Mother Goose, Dick Whittington and Wondercat, The Ascent of Wilberforce III, Lock Up Your Daughters, Beautiful Dreamer, Windy

ED COLEMAN (Production Musical Director)

American Ed Coleman's West End credits includes West Side Story, On the Level, Dad's Army, Lady Be Good, Kings and Clowns, Little Me and Kingdom Coming. He has also been Guest Conductor of The Festival Ballet and for The Scottish Baroque Ensemble at the Edinburgh Festival. Ed's regional work includes shows at Bromley, Billingham, Guildford, Plymouth and Richmond, as well as the national tour of Calamity Jane and the recent British premiere of the American musical King of Hearts at the Lyceum Theatre in Edinburgh. Ed is also a Composer, Orchestrator and Arranger - his arrangements can currently be heard in the award-winning West End show *Underneath the Arches* — while his compositions cover theatre, records, music commissioned for radio, television, TV commercials in addition to scores for films – most recently *The Chosen One* and *The New Fangled Wandering Minstrel Show* starring Olivia Newton-John. Recently Ed was Musical Director for *The Mikado* which opened to great critical acclaim at Plymouth's new Theatre Royal. For the production – which transferred to the Cambridge Theatre in London – Ed created entirely original orchestrations. He is married to actress Eileen Gourlay – they have two children.

GRAHAM LARGE (Lighting Designer)
Has worked extensively in the fields of theatre, opera and ballet. Opera credits include work for English National Opera, Opera North, Welsh National Opera and Wexford Festival Opera. He has recently completed work on the Scottish Ballet's new production of *Romeo and Juliet*, and Glenn Tetley's production of *Voluntairies* for the Paris Opera Ballet. Recent theatre credits include the opening production of the new Mermaid Theatre, King Lear, Othello and Mariano Falliero at the Young Vic. Last summer he lit a production of Noel Coward's Bitter Sweet at the Northcott Theatre, followed by work on their production of Rebecca. Overseas credits include work in New York, Las Vegas, Brussels and Vienna.





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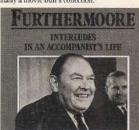
BOOKS IN BRIEF

The text of A MAP OF THE WORLD by David Hare, currently in the repertoire of the National Theatre, has just been published by Faber and Faber. Set against the background of a UNESCO conference on world poverty held in Bombay, it centres around the conflict between a cynical Indian novelist and an ideological young journalist. A complex and fascinating play, which definitely merits reading as well as seeing.

HARD LINES (also Faber and Faber) is a collection of poetry and prose by young writers, introduced by Ian Dury. The idea for the bodgan with Something Else, a BBC television programme about new writing for the young. The contributors come from all over Britain and, naturally their literature reflects their outlook on present day life, candid, sometimes angry but often humorous.

In 5001 NIGHTS AT THE MOVIES (Elm Tree Books), Pauline Kael has assembled a selection of her film reviews for The New Yorker. Succinctly but comprehensively she includes films from the 1930's to the 1980's. Ms Kael obviously takes her work seriously and tends to re-evaluate films which to most of us defycriticism. Thus, Now Voyage's a "campy tear-picker", Casablanea has an "appealing schlocky romanticism" whilst Mrs Miniver is "generally

offensive". Nevertheless it's a useful reference book which will undoubtedly find its way into many a movic buff's collection.



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Gerald Moore, piano accompanist to many great singers during his long and distinguished career, recalls in FURTHERMOORE (Hamish Hamilton) the musicians he has admired and known, from Faderewski to Maria Callas, as well as those that he has accompanied. It's a delightful look at the musical world, compassionate, warm and at times very moving. REICA BENJAMIN





