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**JULY 26- 27- 28- 29-30, 1978**

Director – JOHN A. DUVAL

Designer/Technical Director – MARY JO YEAKEL

Costume Designer – DAVID ROBINSON

Producer/Managing Director – CHARLES W. DODRILL

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## DIRECTORS

**JOHN A. DUVAL**, a 1962 Otterbein graduate, returns this summer to star in *Let's Get A Divorce* and to direct *House of Blue Leaves*. He is the director of the Manatee Players in Bradenton, Florida. As a professional actor, he has played the constable in the touring company of *Zorba* and has had various major roles with the National Theatre Company, including *The Prince and The Pauper* and *Tom Sawyer*. John has directed two Off-Broadway original scripts, *Ashes* and *A Minor Miscalculation*.

**MARY JO YEAKEL**, an Otterbein senior, is a technical theatre major from Syracuse, New York. She served as Master Carpenter for the company last summer and is working in the same capacity this summer. She designed sets for last fall's production of *Robin Hood*, and will be designing this summer's production of *House of Blue Leaves* as well as *What the Butler Saw*. Mary Jo will be interning at Arena Stage in Washington D.C. starting in September.

**DAVID ROBINSON**, a recent Otterbein graduate, designed costumes for productions of *The Hot L Baltimore* and *Tartuffe*. David interned last fall at the Children's Company of Minneapolis, where he was selected to design costumes for their production of *Bullseye*. Also an actor, David has appeared in several productions, including *Applause*, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and *A Flea in Her Ear*.

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A cold apartment in Sunnyside, Queens, New York City  
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## PRODUCTION CREWS

Stage Manager .....	DAVID BUTTERFIELD
Assistant to the Director .....	RICHIE MAHONEY

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As we conclude our 12th season I would like to express appreciation to our audiences for their participation, to the PATRONS who provided monetary support, to numerous individuals and businesses who loaned props, furniture and costumes and to area news media. Special thanks to our staff and company for an outstanding seven weeks of theatrical experiences. We hope our audiences have enjoyed the variety and style of productions offered, as well as the opportunity to observe dedicated and fine young actors develop toward their professional goals! Hope to see you in the fall!

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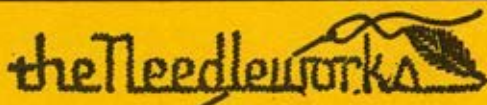
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## SUMMER THEATRE COMPANY

**KENT BLOCHER**, an Otterbein senior from Trotwood, is appearing with the Summer Company for his second time. He has appeared with Trotwood Circle Theatre and his major Otterbein roles include *Streets of New York*, *Tartuffe* and *One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest*.

**DAVID BUTTERFIELD**, an Otterbein junior has worked in Ottawa and Topeka, Kansas; a summer with the Weathervane Playhouse and returns for his second season with Otterbein's Summer Theatre. He recently appeared in *Tartuffe* and *Applause*.

**JEFFREY DILL**, a junior at Ohio State from Columbus, joins the acting company for the first time. His numerous roles include Sylvestro in *Scapino*, Barney Cashman in *Last of the Red Hot Lovers* and Traino in *Taming of the Shrew*.

**TOM DOWNARD**, an Otterbein graduate from Wellston, joins the company for the second time as an actor and as assistant managing director. A winter term intern at the Actors' Theatre of Louisville, his major acting roles include *Applause*, *The Streets of New York*, and he also functioned as music director for *Robin Hood*.

**LISA DURHAM**, an Otterbein senior from Minneapolis, appears with the Summer Theatre for the first time. She has been seen as Candy Starr in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and as a featured chorus dancer in *Applause*.

**MARK EICHORN**, a senior at Ohio Wesleyan University from Allentown, PA. appears with the company for the first time. His previous experience include major roles in *Twelfth Night*, *Anything Goes* and *The Medium*.

**BYRON HAYS**, a graduate of Wright State University from Dayton is appearing with the Otterbein Summer Theatre for his first season. Major roles while at Wright State include *Oedipus the King*, *Godspell*, *6 Rms Riv Vu* and *A Streetcar Named Desire*.

**ANNE KANENGEISER**, an Otterbein senior from Columbus joins the Otterbein Summer Theatre for the first time after previous experience with Sabina Barn Theatre. She recently starred as Eve in the spring musical *Applause* and as Madame Pernelle in *Tartuffe*.

**KAREN RADCLIFFE**, a junior from Columbus, returns for her second season with the Otterbein Summer Theatre (remember her in Jacques Brel). She most recently was seen as Elmire



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in *Tartuffe* and as Karen in *Applause*.

**NANCY SHELTON**, an Otterbein graduate from Columbus, is appearing with the Summer Acting Company for the second time. A winter intern at the Actors' Theatre of Louisville, Nancy's major Otterbein roles include Margo in *Applause*, Jackie in *The Hot L Baltimore*, Elvira in *Blithe Spirit* and Zerbinetta in *Scapin*.

**DAVID ROBINSON**, an Otterbein graduate, joins the company as costume designer, having recently interned with the Children's Theatre of Minneapolis. He has appeared in *Applause*, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and *A Flea In Her Ear*. Theatregoers will recall his recent costume designs for *Tartuffe*.

**MARY JO YEAKEL**, an Otterbein senior from Syracuse, New York, returns for a second season as designer and Master Carpenter. Mary Jo designed the set for *Robin Hood* last November and will design sets for *What The Butler Saw* and *The House of Blue Leaves*.

**CARLTON RITENOUR**, an Otterbein junior, will serve as property master this summer. He designed settings for *The Gondoliers* last winter, and he has extensive service in all areas of technical theatre.

**SUSAN SISK**, an entering Otterbein freshman from Westerville, joins the company as Box Office Supervisor. She recently designed and supervised costumes for the Westerville South's production of *The King And I*.

**SALLIE BARNETT**, from Columbus and a recent graduate of Upper Arlington, serves as an apprentice this summer.

**ANNBETH ESCHBACH**, joins the company also as an apprentice after a year at Northwestern University. Her training includes roles in *The Boyfriend*, *Our Town*, *Godspell*, and *Two Gentlemen of Verona*.

**RICHARD MAHONEY** is an entering Otterbein freshman from Columbus. Recent major work includes roles in *Hello Dolly!*, *God's Favorite* and *Tom Sawyer*.

**CINDY MUSTAINE** and **TAMMY SAGER** are joining the company as college apprentices. Cindy will be a sophomore at Otterbein in the fall while Tammy is a recent transfer student from Miami University. Both have had varied experiences backstage at Cowan and in Workshop Theatre productions.



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