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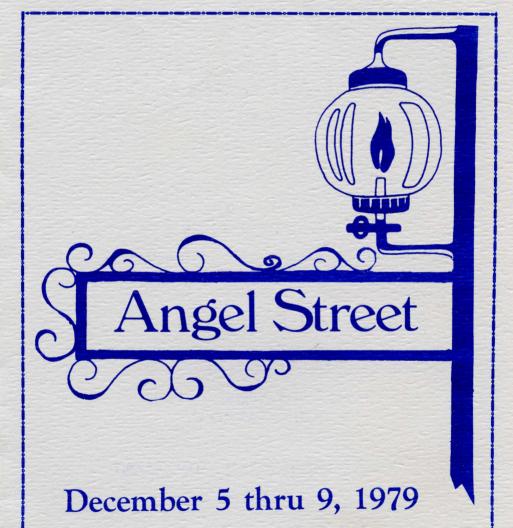
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Providence College Theatre Program



Harkin's Hall Auditorium



Providence College Theatre

presents

Angel Street

A Victorian Thriller by **PATRICK HAMILTON**

Directed by **DANIEL P. FOSTER**

Scenic Design and Technical Direction by

R. SCOTT YUILLE

Lighting Design by CARL F. GUDENIUS

Stage Managed by CYNTHIA FLOOD

Theater Arts Program Director **JOHN GARRITY**



C A S T (in order of appearance)

MRS. MANNINGHAM	Kathleen O'Neill
MR. MANNINGHAM	Peter J. Cameron
ELIZABETH	Maureen Hicks
NANCY Ka	therine Spackman
ROUGH	Joseph J. Menino
POLICEMEN	Richard Lawrence James Maher

The entire action of the play occurs in a house on Angel Street, located in the Pimlico district of London. The time is 1880.

ACT ONE

Late afternoon

ACT TWO

Immediately afterwards

ACT THREE

Later the same night

There will be two ten-minute intermissions

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

Murder by Gaslight

The English talent for understatement has sapped the life-blood from many a drama. But it has more than justified itself in two special fields: the detective novel, and the closet melodrama. "Angel Street" is considered by many to be a class A example of the latter. A single set; a cast of five characters; never a raised voice; never a scream; no pistol shots; no sliding panels; and no corpse in the windowseat. Instead, what is created is a patient, slow-mounting atmosphere of suspicion and terror. This spooky tale of London's gaslit era creates suspense not by keeping the audience in ignorance, as in a "whodunit" mystery, but by making the audience doubt what it knows.

It would be unfair to do more than indicate the plot. A Victorian husband conveys to his wife through the indirection of loving concern, that he fears she is becoming the victim of hereditary insanity. The wife broods over her husband's nightly absences, and over the nightly footsteps in the locked rooms overhead. A retired detective drops in one evening, remembering that this is the house where fifteen years ago, a brutal, unsolved murder took place . . . Psychological overtones give an added dimension to the melodrama: the husband's sadistic domination of his wife through his transplanted suspicions; the wife's near surrender to the forces of darkness; and the long-nurtured, consuming obsession that is behind the husband's insincere smoothness.

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