

USC School of Dramatic Arts 2014/15 SEASON

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WITH (in alphabetical order)

Alison Chang Van Cummerford Tuesday Grant Emily Hamilton Aaron Kerman Terrence Leung Kevin Phan Kenia Romero Judd Yort

scenic design co Sarah Krainin A

Angel Chen

LIGHTING DESIGN
Adam Blumenthal

SOUND DESIGN
Colin Wambsgans

STAGE MANAGER
Elizabeth Nordenholt

DIRECTED BY
Larissa Kokernot

McClintock Theatre
April 9-12, 2015

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service Inc.

#### **Cast of Characters**

(in order of appearance)

Alison Chang Forgiveness From Heaven
Tuesday Grant
Emily Hamilton
Aaron KermanLarry
Terrence LeungBlessing From Heaven
Van CummerfordOliver
Kenia Romero
Kevin Phan
Judd Yort Ken

#### Time

The past, the present, and often both at once.

#### Place

New York City, England, and China.

There will be one 15-minute intermission.

**WARNING** Please be advised that this production contains the smoking of eCigarettes and herbal cigarettes, mature language, and sexual content.

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Larissa Kokernot is happy to return to USC having directed Top Girls, Tales from Tent City and A Roach's Complaint. Regional directing credits include work with Eye of the Storm Theatre, Indiana Repertory Theatre, Ten Thousand Things, Guthrie Theater, The Playwright's Center, California Repertory Theatre, Watts Village Theatre, La Jolla Playhouse and Oregon Shakespeare Festival where she was the 2007 Phil Killian Directing Fellow. Larissa is a founding member of Chalk Repertory Theatre where she has directed Three Sisters, Family Planning (Ovation Awards for Best Play in an Intimate Theatre and for Director), Stray, Full Disclosure, Mommune and Uncle Vanya. Larissa received her B.A. in Theater from Brown University and an M.F.A. in Directing from the University of California, San Diego. Larissa lives in Los Angeles with her husband, Karl Gajdusek, and their sons Kade and Nicholas.



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To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday By Michael Brady Directed by Cameron Watson Scene Dock Theatre October 2-5, 2014

4.48 Psychosis By Sarah Kane Directed by Paul Backer McClintock Theatre October 2-5, 2014

Dark of the Moon By Howard Richardson and William Berney Directed by John DeMita Bing Theatre October 9-12, 2014

The Dream of the Burning Boy By David West Read Directed by Edward Edwards Scene Dock Theatre October 23-26, 2014

Summer Brave
By William Inge
Directed by Robert Bailey
McClintock Theatre
October 30-November 2, 2014

Cat Among the Pigeons By Georges Feydeau Translated by John Mortimer Directed by Michael Keenan Bing Theatre November 6-9, 2014

Anna in the Tropics By Nilo Cruz Directed by Denise Blasor McClintock Theatre November 20-23, 2014 The American Clock
By Arthur Miller
Directed by Cameron Watson
Scene Dock Theatre
November 20-23, 2014

MFA Acting Spring Repertory\* Scene Dock Theatre February 7-March 8, 2015

The Seagull
By Anton Chekhov
Directed by Kate Burton

The Servant of
Two Masters
By Carlo Goldoni
Translated by Sylvie Drake
Directed by
Andy Robinson

Blood Match By Oliver Mayer Inspired by the play Bodas de Sangre by Federico García Lorca Directed by David Bridel

Red Noses By Peter Barnes Directed by Stephanie Shroyer McClintock Theatre February 26-March 1, 2015

As You Like It
By William Shakespeare
Directed by Michael Arabian
Bing Theatre
March 5-8, 2015

The Way of the World By William Congreve Directed by John DeMita Scene Dock Theatre April 2-5, 2015 Grease
Book, Music and Lyrics by
Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey
Directed by Jeff Maynard
Bing Theatre
April 2-12, 2015

The Waiting Room
By Lisa Loomer
Directed by Larissa Kokernot
McClintock Theatre
April 9-12, 2015

New Works Festival Year 2
The Master of Fine Arts
in Dramatic Writing
Playwrights Workshop
Massman Theatre
April 10-26, 2015

What We Were Up Against By Theresa Rebeck Directed by Jack Rowe McClintock Theatre April 23-26, 2015

Crumbs from the Table of Joy By Lynn Nottage Directed by Gregg T. Daniel Scene Dock Theatre April 23-26, 2015

New Works Festival Year 3 The Master of Fine Arts in Dramatic Writing Play Project The Carrie Hamilton Theatre at The Pasadena Playhouse May 26-30, 2015

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