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Directed by Susan Angelo
McClintock Theatre **November 21-24, 2019** 

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presents

# BARBARIANS

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With

Ariana Lexie Afradi Gor Babakhanyan Nick Benson Daniel Breslin Juliette Cacciatore Marissa Chisolm Riley Cole Maya Concepción Gianluca Cosentino Aditya Dixit Karl Kristian Flores Kaleigh Hinthorn Hannah May Howard Jennings Humphries Dakota Jans Madelyn Levine Jeremy Moran Andrew Neaves Mac Rogers
Vicente Jean De Saintignon Callie Skopelitis Bryce Stephens Jack Wooton

Scenic Design

Costume Design

Lighting Design

Wendy Hui

Qixing Tong Eliot Ohlemeyer

Sound Design

Stage Manager

Kiegan Lee

Zaira Paredes-Villegas

Directed by Susan Angelo

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#### CAST OF CHARACTERS

(in order of appearance)

*Ivαkin* Gianluca Cosentino **Pelageya Ivanovna** Kaleigh Hinthorn

Yefim Tatyana Nikolayevna Jeremy Moran Maya Concepción

Matvey Gogin Redozubov Vasilly Ivanovich

Riley Cole Andrew Neaves

Dunya's Husband Stepan Danilovich Lukin

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Gor Babakhanyan Dakota Jans

Monakhov, Mavriky Katya Redozubov Vicente Jean De Saintignon Juliette Cacciatore

Lydia PavlovnaChief of PoliceHannah May HowardNick Benson

Nadiezhda Polikarpovna

Ariana Lexie Afradi

Time: July-November, 1902

Place: Small town in Russia: Verkhopolye

There will be two 10-minute intermissions.

#### PRODUCTION STAFF

Assistant Stage Manager Shelby Pine | Assistant Stage Manager Violet Gao
Assistant Costume Designer Emma Kremer | Assistant Lighting Designer Yajayra Franco
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Fight Choreography Edgar Landa | Crew Rachel Glait, Ginger Gordon,
Elena Kittle- Kamp, Emily Lane, Paolo Laskero, Kuangda Liu, Winona Weber

#### **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

"The half-wild, stupid, heavy people of Russian villages will die out ... and they will be replaced by a new tribe ...business people ... indifferent to everything that is not directly related to their needs."

-Maxim Gorky

Written in 1906, *Barbarians* is set a few years earlier in the remote village of Verkhoplye, where the arrival of railway engineers is met with both anticipation and trepidation as a kind of patriarchal barbarianism gives way to a more industrial, civilized one. The village is eventually driven to the brink of instability, as Gorky signals the cataclysmic social, political and economic upheaval that will follow with The Revolution of 1905.

Barbarians is provincial, and at the same time, epic. Clearly entrenched in Gorky's world, it feels modern, reflecting issues of corruption, power and economic instability that plague us today. Ultimately, it's a very human play, depicting characters at their darkest moments, yet always fighting to survive.

Wind is howling... Thunder's rolling...
...Gale! Soon it will be surely gale!

—The Stormy Petrel, Maxim Gorky

#### **DIRECTOR'S BIO**

#### Susan Angelo

Recent directing credits include *I am Sophie* at Pacific Resident Theatre and Pico Playhouse; *The Chalk Garden; The Royal Family*; and the LA premiere of *My Name Is Rachel Corrie* at Will Geer's Theatricum Botanicum, where she also co-created the theatre's Academy of the Classics and inschool programs, serving as its Education Director for many years. Other directing credits include Orange County Shakespeare's critically acclaimed, 65 cast, multi-ethnic *A Midsummer Night's Dream; Winter's Tale* and *Twelfth Night* at The Kingsmen Shakespeare Festival. Susan is a resident actress at Theatricum and A Noise Within in Pasadena, where she has performed most of Shakespeare's women, and many other classics. She has also performed in NYC and regionally at Signature Theatre, Pittsburgh Public, Indiana Rep, Syracuse Stage, APT, William Inge Theatre and The Shakespeare Theatre. She works regularly in film, television, and commercials. Susan is an adjunct professor of theatre at Cal Lutheran University, and teaches Shakespeare in her private studio in Santa Monica.

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By Jaclyn Backhaus Directed by Anita Dashiell-Sparks McClintock Theatre | Oct 3-6

#### **Amsterdam**

By Maya Arad Yasur Directed by Lilach Dekel-Avneri Scene Dock Theatre | Oct 10–20

## The Cider House Rules

PART ONE: Here in St. Cloud's PART TWO: In Other Parts of the World

Adapted by Peter Parnell
From the novel by John Irving
Conceived for the Stage by Tom
Hulce, Jane Jones and Peter Parnell
Directed by Scott Faris
Bing Theatre | Oct 31–Nov 10

#### **Trouble in Mind**

By Alice Childress Directed by John DeMita McClintock Theatre | Oct 31-Nov 3

# MFA ACTING YEAR 2 REPERTORY at

at The Los Angeles Theatre Center LATC Theatre 3 | Nov 7-16

#### The Brothers Size

By Tarell Alvin McCraney Directed by Larry Powell

#### The Minotaur

By Anna Ziegler | Directed by Jonathan Muñoz-Proulx

#### **Mad Forest**

By Caryl Churchill Directed by Christopher Shaw Scene Dock Theatre | Nov 14-24

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# MFA ACTING YEAR 3 REPERTORY

Scene Dock Theatre Feb 7-Mar 8, 2020

#### Father Comes Home From the Wars (Parts 1, 2 & 3)

By Suzan-Lori Parks Directed by Gregg T. Daniel

#### A Midsummer Night's Dream

By William Shakespeare Directed by Andrei Belgrader

#### Guarded

By Boni B. Alvarez Directed by David Warshofsky

#### Othello

By William Shakespeare Directed by Kate Burton Bing Theatre | Feb 27-Mar 1

#### Camino Real

By Tennessee Williams Directed by Edgar Landa McClintock Theatre | Mar 5-8

#### Fuente Ovejuna: A Disloyal Adaptation

By Cusi Cram Directed by Rena Heinrich Scene Dock Theatre | Apr 2-5

#### The Secret Garden

Book and Lyrics by Marsha Norman Music by Lucy Simon Based on the novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett Directed by Kelly Ward Bing Theatre | Apr 2-12

#### **Three Sisters**

By Anton Chekhov
A New Version by Sarah Ruhl
Based on a literal translation
by Elise Thoron
With Natasha Paramonova and
Kristin Johnsen-Neshati
Directed by Gregg T. Daniel
Scene Dock Theatre | Apr 23-26

# BFA Sophomore Show

McClintock Theatre | April 23-26

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