# Buried Child

By Sam Shepard

Scene Dock Theatre
January 26–February 2, 2023

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With

**Emily Arancio Lindsey Esch** Levonte Herbert

**Shyhiem Parker** 

**Alex Prout** 

**Zachary Steel Christopher Strombeck** 

Costume Design

Samantha Jones

Lighting Design Scott Brian

BA Theatre, Sophomore

Sound Design

Willow Edge

BFA Sound Design, Senior

Stage Manager

Tina Archer

BFA Stage Management, Senior

# Directed by David Warshofsky

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The Steppenwolf production of this version of Buried Child was first presented on Broadway at the Brooks Atkinson Theatre in New York City on April 30, 1996, by Frederick Zollo, Nicholas Paleologos, Jane Harmon, Nina Keneally, Gary Sinise, Edwin Schloss and Liz Oliver.

First presented in New York City at the Theater for the New City, in 1978.

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### CAST (In alphabetical order)



Emily Arancio Shelly MFA Acting, Year 3



Lindsey Esch Halie MFA Acting, Year 3



Levonte Herbert Dodge MFA Acting, Year 3



Shyhiem Parker Vince MFA Acting, Year 3



Alex Prout Tilden MFA Acting, Year 3



Zachary Steel Father Dewis Faculty



Christopher Strombeck Bradley MFA Acting, Year 3

This performance contains a 10-minute intermission.

### PLEASE NOTE

Please be advised that this production contains depictions of theatrical smoking, alcohol and prescription pills abuse, as well as the use of ethnic slurs and discussions and depictions of death, and other adult themes and language. This production also contains the use of flashing lights.

### ADDITIONAL BURIED CHILD PRODUCTION STAFF

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Summer Young, Zoe Mehall | Assistant Stage Manager Talia Sinder
Lighting Mentor Eliot Ohlemeyer | Sound Design Mentor Noel Nichols
Props Manager Hannah Burnham | Technical Crew Matthew Abatti,
Diego Casasnovas-Torres, Akwasi Degraft, Sonia Goswami,
Briana James, Casey Landman, Michelle Liu, Trevor "Pharoah" Mouton,
Ewurama Orleans-Lindsay, Vincent Williams

### NOTE FROM THE CREATIVE TEAM

"Something has fallen apart.
This isn't how it used to be.
Believe me. This is nothing
like how it used to be..."

-Vince

"You've all got a secret. It's so secret, in fact, you're all convinced it never happened."

—shelly

"I suppose, in the long run, it doesn't matter. When you see the way things deteriorate before your very eyes."

—Halie

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