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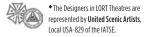














ANTON CHEKHOV

Anton Pavlovich Chekhov (January 29, 1860-July 15, 1904) was one of the greatest dramatists of the nineteenth century. From Chekhov, many contemporary playwrights have learned how to use mood, apparent trivialities, and inaction to highlight the internal psychology of characters. Chekhov's four major plays — The Seagull, Uncle Vanya, Three Sisters, and The Cherry Orchard - are frequently revived in modern productions. Born the son of a grocer and the grandson of a serf, and brought up in a small port town on the Sea of Azov, he went to the University of Moscow to train as a doctor in 1879. On

production of *The Seagull* Chekhov swore that he would never have another play produced. However, Constantin Stanislavski persuaded him to revive *The Seagull*. Stanislavski gave it a very careful production at his Moscow Arts Theatre, employing his

and the play was recognized as an important new drama. *Uncle Vanya*, a reworking of *The Wood Demon*, followed *The Seagull*, quite successfully, although *Three Sisters*, again produced at

methods of acting and direction,

the Moscow Arts Theatre, was not well received. In 1904, after the first production of *The Cherry Orchard*, Chekhov suffered two heart attacks and died in the German spa town of Bradenweiler, just as he was beginning to be recognized internationally as a major dramatist. He is buried in Novodevichy Cemetery in Moscow.







graduation, he practiced medicine in Moscow and

wrote for the "St. Petersburg Gazette." His first

full-length plays, Ivanov and The Wood Demon,

were unsuccessful. After the failure of the first





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THE CAST

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Natalya (Natasha) Ivanovna Charlotte Munson *

Andrei's Sisters

Olga Sergeyevna Emily Kicklighter * Maria (Masha) Sergeyevna

Carléne Pochette *

Irina Sergeyevna
Lauren Pennline *

Fyodor Ilyich Kulygin
Christopher Tramantana *

Aleksander Ignatyevich Vershinin

Christian Gray *

Nikolai Lvovich Tuzenbakh Joseph McGranaghan *

Vasilii Vasilyevich Solyony **Miguel A. Faña** *

Ivan Romanovich Chebutykin Roderick Peeples *

Aleksei Petrovich Fedotik **Evan Price**

Valdimir Karlovich Roday **Benjamin Pratt**

Ferapont Spiridonych
Robert Stephan

Anfisa
Nancy Duckles

Orderly **Julius Gross**

Orderly **Ben Terpstra**

Maid Celeste Pelletier Maid **Maddie Poeta**

This production has one 15-minute intermission.

Special thanks to Allison Horsley for the literal Russian to English translation.



LIBBY DPPEL

Libby Appel is Artistic Director
Emerita of the Oregon Shakespeare
Festival. She was Artistic Director
from 1995 through 2007, directing
30 plays. Prior to that, she was
Artistic Director of Indiana
Repertory Theatre and Dean and
Artistic Director of the School of
Theatre at California Institute of
the Arts. She was also head of the
acting program at California State

University, Long Beach and taught acting at the Goodman School of Drama in Chicago.

Libby has directed in theatres throughout the country doing over 30 productions of Shakespeare's plays and all of Chekhov's. She recently completed new translations of Ivanov, The Seagull, Uncle Vanya, Three Sisters and The Cherry Orchard for the new book



Five Chekhov Plays. She is the author of Mask Characterization: An Acting Process and cocreated and produced the video Inter/Face: The Actor and The Mask. She co-created the plays Shakespeare's Women and Shakespeare's Lovers. Libby is profiled in the documentary Meeting With Chekhov.

Libby has honorary doctorates from Southern Oregon University, University of Portland and Willamette University. She has an MA from Northwestern University and a BA from Michigan (Phi Beta Kappa). She is the recipient of the Stephen and Christine Schwarzman Award for Excellence (Lifetime Achievement in Theater) from the Kennedy Center.



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THREE SISTERS

by Gina Di Salvo

We are living through a Chekhovian moment. In the past decade, American theatre has enjoyed a proliferation of Anton Chekhov (1860-1904), the playwright associated with Stanislavski's Moscow Art Theatre and the development of realism. Not only are the four great works - The Seagull, Three Sisters, Uncle Vanya, and The Cherry Orchard - making regular appearances on our stages, but also new versions of these plays are emerging with increasing frequency. Notable new works include Christopher Durang's Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike (2012), which riffs on the sibling relationships featured in Chekhov's works, and Aaron Posner's Stupid F^{***ing} Bird (2013), an adaptation that is equal parts reverent and irreverent towards The Seagull. There are a few more laughs in the adaptations, but the stuff of these plays largely remains the same as the originals that premiered in Russia over a century ago: family, change, talk, inaction. Oh, and maybe a gun shot.

Beyond the current theatrical repertoire, we are living through a Chekhovian moment in another sense. Like the characters in Three Sisters, we are experiencing historical change. The nature of home, work, and local traditions seems to be shifting to something remarkably different than it was for generations past. Perhaps that shift has already occurred and we, like Olga, Masha, and Irina, don't know it yet, because it hasn't caught up to us personally. Or, perhaps, we realize it and, like Natasha, can work a dying social system to our advantage, niceties and noblesse oblige be damned.

Encircled by the audience on three sides of the stage, this production of *Three Sisters* in the Carousel Theatre reflects both the elegance

of Stanislavski's theatrical practice as well as the excruciating inaction of the Chekhovian oeuvre. At some point, a character will turn his or her back to you or another character will be temporarily occluded. This is by design. This sort of staging reflects the Fourth Wall style of performance developed at the Moscow Art Theatre. Stanislavski aimed to create a world on stage separate from our own but equally as real. Therefore, the family, guests, and servants don't always play to us as they reminisce, express fatigue, fall in love (and don't), drink vodka and tea, and occasionally pause to eavesdrop. The characters are carefully contained in their own world and we watch from ours.

Of course, observing the perfected inertia of the Prozorov sisters can be frustrating to witness. Why haven't they gone to Moscow yet? Why didn't they think of better marriage plans? And why doesn't anyone intervene when the plans are so clearly bad ones? The sisters' inaction likely drives our modern fascination with the seemingly antique problem of the ancestral home and their place in it. Olga, Masha, and Irina have guirks, go off topic, and don't always seem to be forwarding or even following the plot that will most impact their lives. Talking more about it won't solve their problems, but they do it nonetheless. They are like us in that way. Stanislavski, who came from elite stock, considered this situation to be tragic while Chekhov, the grandson of a former serf who completed medical school before becoming a full-time playwright, felt it was more comic. We are likely as equally divided on how to receive this play today.



NANCY DUCKLES

(Anfisa) a Knoxville resident for 22 years, Nancy is happy to be back on the Clarence Brown Theatre stage, where she was previously seen in A Christmas Carol, A Streetcar Named Desire, Our Country's Good, and The Miracle Worker.

She has performed throughout Knoxville with the WordPlayers (Shadowlands, The Secret Garden), the Actors Co-op (Absurd Person Singular), and Pellissippi State Community College (The Tempest; Love, Loss and What I Wore), as well as in Morristown, TN with Encore Theatrical Company (Peter Pan, Hairspray, Follies). Nancy has, through her own DuckEars Theatre Company, produced and acted in The Heidi Chronicles, Wit, and Rabbit Hole. Recent screen credits include the 2016 movie No Pav. Nudity (directed by Lee Wilkof) and this season of Murder Comes to Town. Nancy is a retired anesthesiologist and previously served on the CBT Advisory Board, but her most cherished roles are wife to Cameron and mother of Connor, Aidan and Delaney.



MIGUEL A. FAÑA

(Vasilii Vasilyevich Solyony) Miguel is happy to be back for his third season as an MFA Acting candidate at UT! He is an immigrant American from Boston, MA who was born in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. He graduated from

the University of Massachusetts with a double major in Music and Theatre. His roles at the Clarence Brown Theatre include "Commander William Harbison" in *South Pacific*; "Martius Andronicus" in *Titus Andronicus*; and "John Willard" in *The Crucible*. Regional productions include *Macbeth*, *Of Mice and Men*, and *Romeo and Juliet*. He is a proud member of SAG-AFTRA and would like to thank his mother, Yovanny Faña, for her support and Sue Osborne for supporting her!; his father, Miguel J. Faña Sr. for his love; and his little brother, Jean-Michael Faña for his humor! (Good luck in the Army!) Enjoy the show, Nasdarovie!



BRIAN GLIGOR

(Andrei Sergeyevich Prozorov) Based in New York City, Brian is returning to the Clarence Brown as a Teaching Artist this semester, teaching Graduate Movement for Actors at UT. Clarence Brown Theatre credits include:

South Pacific, The 39 Steps, Titus Andronicus, The Threepenny Opera, A Midsummer Night's Dream, A Christmas Carol, Monty Python's Spamalot and Noises Off. He also produced and performed the one-man-show I Am My Own Wife at the CBT's Carousel Theatre in 2015. Other theater credits include the National and Japan tours of RENT, and regional productions of Altar Boyz, The Full Monty and Jesus Christ Superstar. His film and television credits include: All My Children, Guiding Light, One Life to Live, and several independent features. Brian received his Master's degree from UT in 2016. He is a proud member of Actors' Equity and SAG-AFTRA. www.BrianGligor.com



CHRISTIAN GRAY

(Aleksander Ignatyevich Vershinin) happily makes his Clarence Brown debut. Chicago Theatre: Court Theatre, First Folio (Artistic Associate), Remy Bumppo, ShawChicago (Ensemble Member), Writers' Theatre,

20 others. Regional Theatre: Artists' Ensemble (IL), Cumberland County Playhouse (TN), Fort Worth Shakespeare (TX), Kentucky Repertory, Montana Shakespeare, Pennsylvania Stage Company. Film credits: Day 1 (Skibo Films: multiple awards including Best Feature), Plastic (FPPI Films: Best Supporting Actor – 1 Award, 1 Nomination), Reclamation (NTG Productions), Drifted (Boomstick Films), The Judas Run (Sigasaly Entertainment). Television: Chicago PD (NBC), The Blackwood Prophecies (J&R Productions and Two 9 Productions). Commercial: Horseshoe Casino, Stein Garden and Gifts.



JULIUS GROSS

(Orderly) Born in Knoxville and raised in Greeneville. TN. Julius is eager to set a foot on stage for the first time with Three Sisters. He is entering his Sophomore year at the University of Tennessee, pursuing a degree in Electrical

Engineering. He has always yearned to be any part - big or small - of the theatrical creative process, and hopes this experience will usher in more creative opportunities. Drawing from personal life experience, he aspires to be the best darn "Orderly" money can buy.



EMILY KICKLIGHTER

(Olga Sergeveyna) is very grateful to begin her third and final year of MFA studies with this Chekhov classic. You may remember seeing her earlier this year as Patch in *The Busy* Body: A Comedy or Aouda in Around the World in 80 Days.

Also at the CBT: The Crucible (Ann Putnam), A Christmas Carol (Mrs. Cratchit), South Pacific (Lead Nurse). She was a company member at The Flea Theatre in NYC and the Professional Training Program at Actors Theatre of Louisville in KY. She couldn't survive without the love and support of her amazing husband and family.



JOSEPH McGRANAGHAN

(Nikolai Lvovich Tuzenbakh) is happy to be home in Knoxville, where he grew up on live theatre at the Clarence Brown. He was last seen here in the 2013 CBT production of Noises Off. New York credits include Calderon's

Two Dreams (La MaMa ETC and Magis Theatre), The Balcony (Remix) (Mabou Mines Resident Artist Workshop), *The Bald Soprano* (Hudson Warehouse), Our God's Brother (Storm Theatre), as well as new work with The Workshop Theatre Company, Prospect Theatre, and SITI Company.

Regionally: Baltimore Centerstage, a season in residence at Asolo Rep, Philadelphia's Lantern Theatre, Pittsburgh City Theatre, Quantum Theatre, Pittsburgh Irish and Classical Theatre, Chamber Theatre of Boston, Urbanite Theatre. Luna Stage, Centenary Stage Company, and others. Film and TV: Hack My Life, The Lucky Six, Door to Door, and Eight Degrees in Suburbia. Joseph received his MFA from the FSU/ Asolo Conservatory. He dedicates this show to his Wonder Woman wife, Lily, and newborn daughter. The Un-Swaddleable Ezri Joan. www.josephmcgranaghan.com.



CHARLOTTE MUNSON

(Natalya (*Natasha*) Iyanoyna) CBT: Violet in Violet, Nellie Forbush in South Pacific. Miranda in *The Busy Body:* A Comedy, Catherine in A Christmas Carol. and Ensemble in *Around the* World in 80 Days. NYC:

Cinderella in DISENCHANTED (original cast), Wendy in *Princes Don't Live in Cyberland* (world premiere) and Sydney in *Hedge Fun* (Producer's Club). Regional: Elvira in *Blithe Spirit* (Cape May Stage), Lady of the Lake in *Spamalot* (Saint Michael's Playhouse), Christine in *Dirty Rotten* Scoundrels (New London Playhouse), Sophie in Master Class (Musical Theatre of CT) and Juliet in Romeo & Juliet (NE Shakespeare Ensemble), to name a few. Her play, Look at Me was nationally selected by the NHY Playwriting Festival and was produced at the Stella Adler theatre in LA. In 2015, she starred in a workshop of her play, Dark Matter, at the Arthur Seelen Theatre in NYC. She will fully produce and star in *Dark Matter* this spring in LA, thanks to the 2017 Thomas Fellowship, Graduate of Emerson College. BFA Musical Theatre. Third year MFA Acting candidate at UTK. www.charlottemunson.com



RODERICK PEEPLES

(Ivan Romanovich Chebutykin) is based in Chicago, and most recently played Fezziwig and the Ghost of Christmas Present in last season's A Christmas Carol, Judge Danforth in The Crucible, and David Nathan Bright in *The Open Hand* in

spring 2016. Previously at CBT he was in The Threepenny Opera, Amadeus, and played the title role in Life of Galileo. In Chicago: Many roles at Chicago Shakespeare, Goodman, Steppenwolf, Remy Bumppo, Victory Gardens, Famous Door, Court, and Next theatres. A Joseph Jefferson Award for Dealers Choice (Roadworks), and a Joseph Jefferson Citation for *Orphans* (CT20 Ensemble). Regional: Many shows with Utah Shakespeare Festival, Syracuse Stage, Madison Repertory, and Illinois Shakespeare Festival, Film: Robert Altman's The Company, Road to Perdition, Novocaine, The Hudsucker Proxy. TV: Chicago Med, Prison Break, ER, Early Edition, and the Untouchables series (syndicated).



CELESTE PELLETIER

(Maid) is ecstatic to make her Clarence Brown Theatre debut in Three Sisters. In the past, you may have seen her in Top Girls as "Dull Gret/ Kit/Shona", in Horse Girls as "Raven" or in The Vagina Monologues. She is currently

a sophomore pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Tennessee and hopes to continue participating in the university's theatre department. She'd like to thank the director, Michael Fry, for this wonderful opportunity, Jen-Jen for always being on the other end of the phone, Annabeth Elizabeth and Tori for their ice cream, and her two biggest fans, mom and dad. Xox



LAUREN PENNLINE

(Irina Sergeyevna) a third year MFA Acting candidate, Lauren last performed with the CBT as various characters in *Around the World in Eightv* Days. For the CBT: The Busy Body: A Comedy, A Christmas Carol. The Crucible. South

Pacific, Titus Andronicus, The Who's Tommy, Love's Labour's Lost, The Marriage of Bette and Boo, Guys and Dolls, The Life of Galileo, Anouilh's Antigone. Off Broadway/National Tour: Ivy and Bean the Musical (Atlantic Theater Company) Off-Off Broadway: The Thirteenth Commandment (Libra Theater Company, NY Innovative Theater Award for Featured Actress), Henry IV Parts One and Two, Much Ado About Nothing (Smith Street Stage, NY Innovative Theater Award for Ensemble and Revival). Twelfth Night (Riverside Theater). Trojan Women (NY Stage and Film). Training: University of Tennessee, British American Drama Academy. Proud member of Actors' Equity. www.laurenpennline.com



CARLÉNE POCHETTE

(Maria (*Masha*) Sergevevna) Carlène Pochette, originally from the French Saint Martin island in the West Indies. is honored to return to the Clarence Brown Theatre for one of Chekhov's classics. Now a third year MFA Acting

Candidate at UT, Carlène was recently seen at the Clarence Brown Theatre in *Around the World* in 80 Days ('17), The Busy Body: A Comedy ('17), A Christmas Carol ('16) as Christmas Past, The Crucible ('16) as "Tituba", South Pacific ('16), and A Lesson Before Dying ('16) as "Vivienne Baptiste." Prior to that, she has performed in many independent film and theatre productions in Philadelphia, including Ruined, Under the Cherry Tree, The Piano Lesson, The Last Days of Judas Iscariot, and By the Way, Meet Vera Stark. Carlène holds a B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania and is a proud union member of AEA, www.carlenepochette.com "Your heart is free, have the courage to follow it."



MADDIE POETA

(Maid) is an out-of-state senior this year at UT, majoring in both Public Relations and in Theatre. Her past credits at the CBT include A Midsummer Night's Dream (Changeling Child) and Titus Andronicus (Ensemble). She

also was involved in various crew positions at the CBT. Maddie is very excited and grateful to be able to be a part of this production of *Three* Sisters. She would like to thank her family for their love and support. Pennsylvania is a little far away, but she knows they have her back. She would also like to express a huge thank you to the cast and crew!



BEN PRATT

(Vladimir Karlovich Roday) is deeply honored to be able to make his Carousel Theatre debut. Ben is a fifth-year student double majoring in Theatre and Communication Studies. He was last season in This is Our Youth (Warren).

and Violet (Vergil/Ensemble). Other CBT credits include: South Pacific, Mr. Burns: A Post-Electric Play, The Threepenny Opera, A Christmas Carol, and *The Trip to Bountiful*. Other credits include: Chimes at Midnight, RENT, The Pillowman, and Much Ado About Nothing. Ben is hoping to pursue a Linklater certification in voice and speech upon graduation.



EVAN PRICE

(Aleksei Petrovich Fedotik) Evan is a senior Theatre major at the University of Tennessee. Credits include Peter Cratchit from A Christmas Carol (Clarence Brown Theatre) Tobias from Sweeney Todd (Canon County

Playhouse) and Phantom from Phantom of the Opera (Tullahoma theatre). I would like to thank my mother for supporting me unconditionally.



ROBERT STEPHAN

(Ferapont Spiridonych) A graduate from the University of Tennessee with a BA in Theatre. Robert is honored to be making his return to the Clarence Brown stage since Monty Python's Spamalot (2014). Three

Sisters will mark his first performance in the Carousel Theatre. Robert is currently finishing the Master's and Teacher's Licensure program at Lincoln Memorial University with plans to graduate in December. He has been seen in other CBT productions such as Sweeney Todd, A Christmas Carol, and Kiss Me, Kate.



BEN TERPSTRA

(Orderly) is thrilled to be a part of his third CBT production! He is a Theatre major at the University of Tennessee and is grateful for the experiences and opportunities he has been afforded here. Previous

roles include Billy in *The Idiot Box* (All Campus Theatre), Perchik in Fiddler on the Roof (Oak Ridge Playhouse), Lt. Buzz Adams in South Pacific. and Christmas Future in A Christmas Carol (Clarence Brown Theatre). Ben also is a founding member of VOLT, UT's premiere co-ed a cappella group. Special thanks to Dan, Peggy, and always, Gracie.

CHRISTOPHER TRAMANTANA



(Fyodor llyich Kulygin) is thrilled to be back at The Clarence Brown Theatre. A New York based actor, Christopher is a proud alum of UT's graduate acting program. New York theatre credits include: R&J&Z (Hard Sparks), Buddhas

are Screaming In China (Planet Connections), A People (TerraNOVA), Homeward Bound (Greenlight Productions), Playing House (HERE), Vera Laughed (Playwrights Horizons), Brokenbrow (NYTW), and Icarus Burns (NYTW). Regional theater credits include: Next Act Theater, Milwaukee: Back of the Throat, Bravo, Caruso! CBT: The Life of Galileo, Major Barbara, A Flea In Her Ear, King Lear, All My Sons, As You Like It, Guys and Dolls, and A Christmas Carol. Christopher also teaches clown at NYU's Tisch School of the Arts. BA in Theatre: Fordham University at Lincoln Center; MFA in Acting: University of Tennessee, Knoxville. www. christophertramantana.com



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THE ARTISTS



MICHAEL FRY

(Director) was born and is still based in London. He has worked as director and writer at theatres including. in the UK, the Liverpool Everyman, Nottingham Playhouse, Mercury Colchester, Watermill

Newbury, Cambridge Theatre Company and for the Welsh National Opera and Glyndebourne. He was Arts Council Assistant Director at Chester Gateway and Arts Council Associate at the Nuffield, Southampton. Work in London includes the Young Vic, the Lyric Hammersmith, the Gate, Soho Theatre, the King's Head, the Royal Court and the National Theatre. Work abroad includes Ireland, Italy, France, Romania, Estonia, South Africa, China and frequently in the United States. His plays and adaptations have been performed in theatres throughout England, America and Australasia, and are published by Methuen (Emma), Samuel French (Tess of the d'Urbervilles and The Great Gatsby) and Oberon (The Trumpet Major). He has been artistic director of Floorboards Theatre Productions, Great Eastern Stage and Not the National Theatre, senior lecturer at Coventry, Middlesex and London Universities and Visiting Professor of Theatre at Washington and Webster Universities in the US. He has written frequent articles, chapters and theatre criticism, most recently on Complicite for British Theatre Companies 1980–1994 (Methuen, 2015). He is currently Deputy Director of East 15 Acting School in London.

JELENA ANDZIC

(Scenic Designer) is a second-vear Graduate Scenic Design candidate. This is her second design with the Clarence Brown Theatre. Her past professional experience includes a production of *Dear Yelena* (Belgrade Drama Theatre, Belgrade, Serbia) and many collaborations with FIST (Festival of International Theatre) both in Serbia and Romania. She has been honored with three awards - Second place in the scenic design competition at the Southeastern Theatre Conference (SETC) for *Top Girls*, the ULUPUDS (The Association of Artists and Designers in Serbia) award for her final undergraduate projects (Theatre, Film and TV Design) as well as an award (Milenko Serban) for Best Final Project in the field of Scenic Design.

BILL BLACK

(Costume Designer) has been designing, teaching and directing the production of costumes for the Clarence Brown Theatre and the University of Tennessee for 40 years. An active professional costume designer, his work is frequently seen around the country at theaters such as Alabama Shakespeare Festival. Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park, Denver Center Theatre Company, Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, Pioneer Theatre Company, PlayMakers Repertory Company, Skylight Opera Theatre, Roundhouse Theatre, and for 25 seasons at the Tony Award winning Utah Shakespeare Festival where he is the senior designer. Professor Black is Associate Head of the Department of Theatre and has held both the Paul Soper Professorship and the James R. Cox Professorship. He is a two-time winner of the John F. Kennedv medallion for his work with the American College Theatre Festival and a member of United Scenic Artists, Local 829.

THE ARTISTS

ALICE TRENT

(Lighting Designer) is a second year Lighting Design graduate student. She has previously designed *This Is Our Youth* and has acted as an assistant designer for The Busy Body: A Comedy and Peter and the Starcatcher with the Clarence Brown Theatre. She is a Cincinnati. OH native and has worked professionally at multiple theatre companies throughout the state of Ohio. She thanks you for coming to see our show!

MATTHEW TIBBS

(Sound Designer) is an assistant professor in the Department of Theatre and Dance at Ball State University. Recent work includes sound designs of As You Like It, Romeo and Juliet, and Shakespeare in Love at Utah Shakespeare Festival, The Cay at Indiana Repertory Theatre, and Violet here at the Clarence Brown Theatre. Matthew's nearly 100 sound designs have been seen on stages nationally, including New York City, Chicago, Washington D.C., Cincinnati, Salt Lake City, and Portland, Oregon. His film work has been seen at festivals nationally and internationally. Matthew often designs sound during the month of June for Great River Shakespeare Festival. Prior to his position at Ball State, he spent three years as Resident Sound Designer for Pioneer Theatre Company and as adjunct faculty at University of Utah. Michael has an MFA from the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music (CCM) 2007 and a BA from George Fox University 2004.

SHELLY PACK PAYNE

(Stage Manager) Shelly is thrilled for the opportunity to stage manage for the Clarence Brown Theatre again. Previous productions at the CBT include A Christmas Carol. Kiss Me. Kate, The Little Prince, Red, and Noises Off. Other credits include Stage Management for The Egyptian Theatre Company (Park City, UT), Val A. Browning Center (Ogden, UT), Dominion Theatre (Virginia Beach, VA), Little Theatre of the Rockies (Greeley, CO), and the Pantagraph Holiday Spectacular (Bloomington, IL.) Other credits include. Company Manager for the Utah Shakespeare Festival and Director of Guest

Services for The Egyptian Theatre Company. She is a graduate of Weber State University and a member of Actors' Equity Association. Shelly would like to thank her wonderful husband Joe, and two beautiful children Amelia and Max for their unwavering support during this production.

CALVIN MacLEAN

(Producing Artistic Director) is in his twelfth year as Theatre Department Head and CBT Company Producing Artistic Director. CBT productions he has directed include: A Flea in Her Ear. The Life of Galileo. The Secret Rapture. A Streetcar Named Desire (with Dale Dickey), Amadeus (with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra), Kiss Me, Kate, Sweeney Todd (with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra and Dale Dickey), Our Country's Good, The Threepenny Opera, The Open Hand and last season's The Crucible. Cal was the Artistic Director of the Illinois Shakespeare Festival for eleven seasons. Professionally active in Chicago, his productions - mostly at the Famous Door Theatre earned several Joseph Jefferson Awards for Outstanding Production and Direction. Most notable was Joshua Sobol's *Ghetto*, a production that ran for seven months and honored with four Jeff Awards including for Outstanding Direction of a Play. Cal is the Past President of the University/Resident Theatre Association and a member of the National Theatre Conference. He and his wife Rebecca are the proud parents of Sam and Rachael.

THOMAS A. CERVONE

(Interim Managing Director) is pleased and honored to be back at the theatre following a five-year hiatus, during which he served as Executive Director for both Dogwood Arts and the Historic Tennessee Theatre Foundation. Prior to that, Tom spent 23 years at the Clarence Brown Theatre, 17 of which as managing director (1995-2012). Throughout that time, he was very active within the UTK community, serving as Exempt Staff Council chair for many years, LGBT Commission co-chair, Diversity Council member, and participated in many other organizations/ initiatives. He was the 2010 recipient of the

Chancellor's Citation for Outstanding Service to the University. Tom served on the Arts and Cultural Alliance of Greater Knoxville board for several years, and currently serves on the advisory boards of the College of Business at Maryville College, the WordPlayers, and the River and Rail Theatre Company. Most recently, he was appointed to the Foundation Board of West Liberty University, his alma mater. He is a proud and longtime member of the Actors' Equity Association. Tom holds his undergraduate degree in Speech and English Education with an emphasis in Theatre from West Liberty University in West Virginia and a Master of Fine Arts and an MBA from UT. He is a graduate of and was selected as the Class Representative of the Leadership Knoxville class of 2011. Recently, he was inducted into his undergraduate alma mater's Class of 2015 Wall of Honor.

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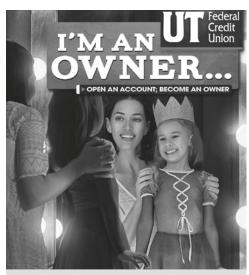


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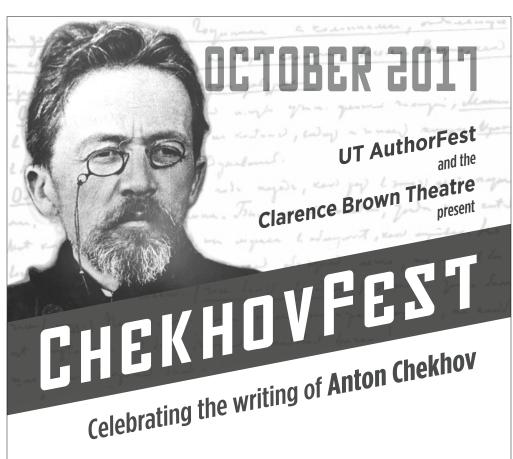
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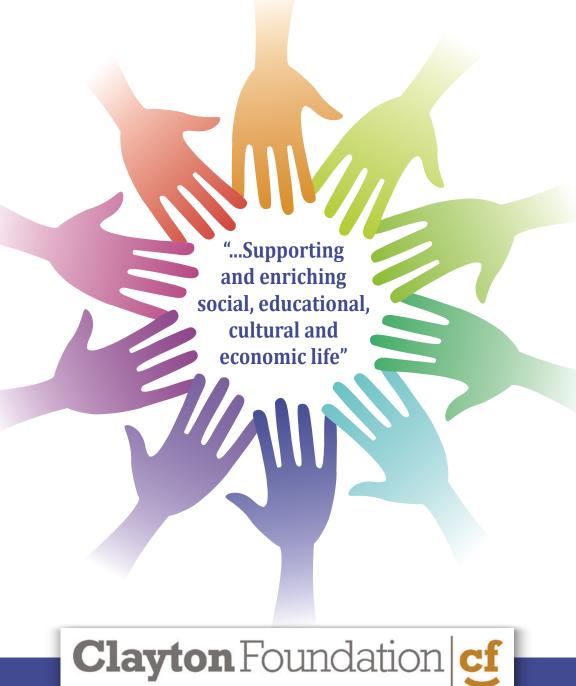
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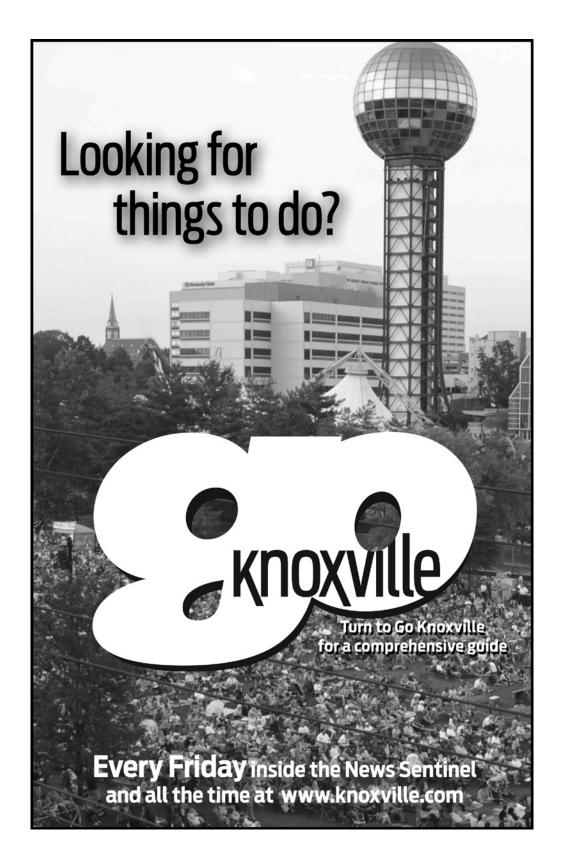
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