

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE



"BUS STOP"



Twenty-Seventh Season—Fourth Production

Ted Heusel, Director

FEBRUARY, 1957

Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Civic Theatre is enjoying its most prosperous of 27 years. We expect to end the year with a substantial (for us) profit. For several years we have badly needed a home, a place where we can store and build scenery, costumes, and properties, and if possible a place to rehearse. Up to now this has been financially impractical, but with our improved financial position our goal now seems capable of attainment. We would like to buy a barn or similar building with a ceiling at least 13 feet high located in Ann Arbor, or within a couple of miles of the city limits. We would be very grateful to anyone of our audience who could let us know of the availability of such a building.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

February 21-22-23 "GIGI"

March To Be Announced

*If you are interested in tryouts, watch for casting dates
to be announced.*

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE

presents

"BUS STOP"

by William Inge

Directed By

T E D H E U S E L

CAST of CHARACTERS

ELMA DUCKWORTH, a waitress.....	<i>Mary Ann Stevenson</i>
GRACE HOWARD, owner.....	<i>Elizabeth Drake</i>
WILL MASTERS, a sheriff.....	<i>Patrick Ross</i>
CHERIE, a chanteuse.....	<i>Marian Mercer</i>
DR. GERALD LYMAN, a former college professor.....	<i>J. Henry Owens</i>
CARL, a bus driver.....	<i>Stuart Gould</i>
VIRGIL BLESSING, a ranch hand.....	<i>Clifford Westerman</i>
BO DECKER, a young rancher & cowboy.....	<i>Paul Day</i>

SETTING

The action of the play takes place in a small town restaurant about thirty minutes west of Kansas City.

S C E N E S

ACT I.....	A night in early March, 1:00 a.m.
ACT II.....	A few minutes later
ACT III.....	Early morning about 5:00 a.m.

This Play is Presented thru Special Arrangements with Dramatist Play Service, Inc.

NOTES ABOUT THE CAST

MARIAN MERCER . . . is a senior in the U. of M. School of Music. She has had acting experience with the D.A.C., U. of M. Speech Department, Gilbert & Sullivan Society, and the Drama Season. Marian was recently seen with the Union Opera in "Brigadoon." She last worked with Mr. Heusel at the Saline Mill Summer Theatre. This is her first appearance with Civic Theatre.

ELIZABETH DRAKE . . . hails from Kenilworth, a suburb of Chicago, Illinois. Betsy is a housewife and has one child and is making her debut with Civic Theatre this evening.

J. HENRY OWENS . . . is making his first appearance in Civic Theatre stage tonight. Dr. Owens is chairman of the Foreign Language Department at Eastern Michigan College and has played with the Ypsilanti Players and also the Dramatic Arts Center.

PATRICK C. ROSS . . . has been a resident of Ann Arbor since 1944 and is presently Publicity Manager of WWJ Radio and Television, Detroit. Pat is making his debut on our stage this evening; however, he was active in two community theatre groups in San Antonio, Texas while in the Air Force.

CLIFFORD WESTERMAN . . . is an Ann Arbor resident who is also making a first appearance with the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre. Cliff last played with the Maine Masque Theatre at the University of Maine.

MARY ANN STEVENSON . . . comes to us from Calhoun, Kentucky. She is a graduate of the University of Kentucky. Mary Ann makes her first appearance on our stage this evening and we hope to see more of her.

DR. STUART GOULD . . . a resident of Ann Arbor, is a doctor of psychiatry. Dr. Gould was last seen in our musical "RX" of last season.

PAUL DAY . . . is now a resident of Ann Arbor, however, originally comes from Fresno Beach, California. Paul has been active in University Drama Season and was last seen as Al's roommate in Civic Theatre's recent production of "Tea and Sympathy."

SEE . . . Oscar Wilde's comedy

"The Importance of Being Ernest"

now playing at the

DRAMATIC ARTS CENTER

Masonic Temple

PRODUCTION STAFF

PRODUCTION MANAGER.....Gene Duke
SET DESIGNER.....Alice Crawford
STAGE MANAGER.....Marcella Dygert
LIGHTS.....Paul Christman, Clan Crawford
PROPERTIES.....June Moss, Barbara Leake, Helga Hover
CREW.....Bob Cottingham, Fritz Bell, Clan Crawford
Gene Duke and his Timber Boys
MAKE-UP.....Loine Meinel, Mary Falcone, Carol Duffy
USHERS.....Barbara Logan, chairman
BOX OFFICE.....Jerry Scofield, Bob Logan, A. B. Crandell

NEXT PRODUCTION!

February 21-22-23

''GIGI''

... a gay little
trinket

by Anita Loos

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