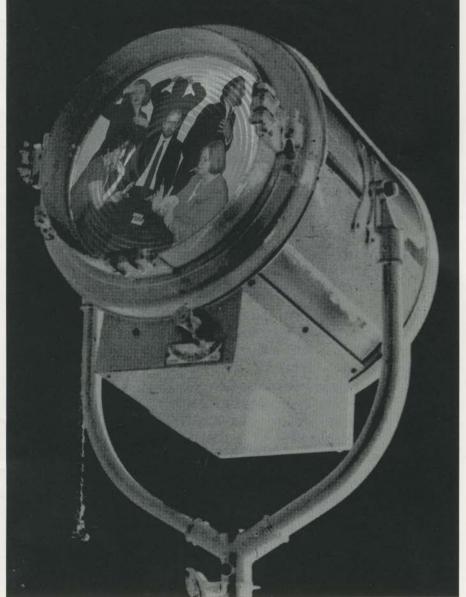
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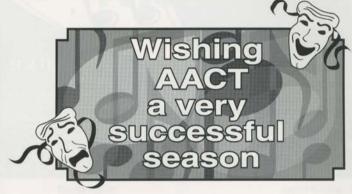
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#### Ann Arbor Civic Theatre

Opening night January 20, 2000 at the Playhouse

# Light Up The Sky!

Written by

#### **Moss Hart**

Directed by

#### **Thom Johnson**

Assistant Director

David Keren

Costumer

**Cheryl Berteel** 

Set Design & Construction

**Chuck Griffin** 

Scenery Painter

Linda Lock

Light Board Operator

Christopher Grace

Producer

Joyce Casale

Props

Martha Montoye

Stage Manager

Michele Leshan

Costume Crew

Barb Wells

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Andy Hoag, Tom Patterson, Tiff Crutchfield, Rachel Francisco

#### Cast

(in order of appearance)

Miss Lowell Loretta Grime
Carleton Fitzgerald · · · · · Jimmy Dee Arnold
Frances Black Cassie Man
Owen Turner · · · · · Tim Grime
Stella Livingston Susie Bernei
Peter Sloan Andy Hoa
Sidney Black David Andrew
Sven Tom Patterso
Irene Livingston Emily Pheni
Tyler Rayburn · · · · · Brodie H. Brocki
A Shriner · · · · · Tom Patterso
William H. Gallegher · · · · · · R.J. White
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#### Synopsis of Scenes

Act I Scene I: The living-room of Irene Livingston's Ritz-Carlton Hotel suite in Boston, Massachusetts. Time 5:30 P.M.

Act I Scene II: The same location. Time about 11:35 p.m. that same evening.

Act II Scene I: The same location. Moments later

Act II Scene II: The same location. Time 3:30 a.m. the following morning.

There will be one fifteen minute intermission.

#### **Director's Notes**

I have always enjoyed Moss Hart's humor, his gentle fun poking at the conventions and stereotypes has always made me laugh. His most remembered works were written with George F. Kaufmann (who was also his croquet partner. Hart was inducted into the croquet Hall of Fame in 1949.) Moss Hart's first successful play was about Hollywood and the movies. In this play he moves to Broadway. Playwrights like nothing more than to write about the theater. He directed the play himself when it opened on Broadway in November 1948. Those of us who work in the theater feel a special kinship to these playswe know the types and the stereotypes portrayed. We hope that by presenting this work we can pull the audience into our world and they can enjoy it as much as we do.

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#### About the Cast and Crew

**David Andrews** (Sidney Black) starred as Marc Antony in Miss Poceta's fifth-grade class's version of *Julius Caesar*, and as Richard Nixon in his own composition for hand-puppets in seventh-grade English. He has been artistically comatose since 1974.

Jimmy Dee Arnold (Carleton Fitzgerald) Light Up The Sky marks Jimmy Dee's 69th production. (He hopes to do 100 before his final curtain falls.) His most recent role was Bruce in Beyond Therapy (Orpheus Productions). He also appeared in Performance Network's Inverted Pyramid. Among his favorite AACT roles include Fagin in Oliver and the Apostle in Jesus Christ Superstar and the Gunslinger who gets gunned down in Act III of The Death and Life of Sneaky Fitch.

Susie Berneis (Stella Livingston) Last seen as the taciturn Officer Pudney in AACt's *Rumors*. Susie is delighted to be back on stage in another wonderful comedy. Since joining AACT in *Lend Me a Tenor* she has been on or backstage in about a dozen productions and eagerly anticipates several dozen more!

**Cheryl Berteel** (Costumer) Cheryl has done costumes for many shows including *You Can't take It With You, Noises Off* and *Sound of Music* for which she won best costumer. She also does props and set dressing, changes the sign and is our AACT President. When not "working" at AACT, Cheryl works for Sears, Briarwood.

**Brodie H. Brockie** (Tyler Rayburn) Past roles include Jud in *Oklahoma*, Seymour in *Little Shop of Horrors*, and Smee in *Peter Pan*. At MSU, he was in a sitcom, *The ShoW*, and sketch-comedy program, *Sideshow*. Also a writer, two of Brodie's plays were produced in Marshall, Michigan and his work appears on his website, www.capnwacky.com.

Joyce Casale (Producer) Joyce works exclusively as the producer for the shows TJ directs. At Civic she often helps in front of house responsibilities and with ushers. Joyce is a teacher ad-

vocate for the Michigan Education Association. She is also an enthusiastic baseball fan and especially enjoys Tiger games both home and away.

**Chuck Griffin** (Set Design/Builder) This is Chuck's 6th season with AACT. As Editor of the *Spotlight* and new lighting co-chair, Chuck is frequently seen racing through the Playhouse. Chuck was recently honored at the 1999 Civic Theatre Awards Night for the multitude of work he does repairing and painting and cleaning the facility.

Loretta Grimes (Miss Lowell) Loretta was last seen as Jessie Mae Watts in *Trip to Bountiful*. Previous AACT roles include Penny Sycamore in *You Can't Take It with You*. Loretta teaches acting classes for adults and middle and high school students. She will be directing a production of *The Miracle Worker* in the spring at Riverside Arts Center.

Tim Grimes (Owen Turner) Tim's AACT credits include Ludie in *Trip to Bountiful*, Mr. Kirby in *You Can't Take it With You* and roles in *On Golden Pond, Lost in Yonkers* and *Hamlet*. He attended New York's American Academy of Dramatic Arts where he met his wonderful wife Loretta. This is their third show together. Love to Matt and Pat.

Andy Hoag (Peter Sloan) Andy has produced, designed, performed and directed and you name it, principally with AACT, Saline Area Players and Chelsea Area Players. He was last seen covered in PAM in last year's *The Rainmaker*. As ever, Andew would like to acknowledge Rebecca Groeb for graciously sharing the same boat.

**Thom Johnson** (TJ) (Director) This is TJ's third play he directed for AACT in the Playhouse on Platt. His last was the award winning You Can't Take It with You. He also appeared on stage in last years The Rainmaker. He says he only directs a show every other year because it takes him that long to recover.

**David Keren** (Assistant Director) David Keren has been a member of Ann Arbor Civic Theatre for about 20 years. In the past couple of years, David

has appeared in several Civic Theatre productions including portraying Grandpa in You Can't Take It With You, Norman Thayer, Jr. (Best Actor, 1998-99 Season) in On Golden Pond, and as the Sheriff in The Rainmaker. He has thoroughly enjoyed assistant directing this marvelous cast while learning how TJ is able to let his cast have so much fun while producing a brisk, quality rendition of classic theater for the audience. In his spare time, David runs Warde Medical Laboratory for the Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation and teaches pathology at U-M.

Michele Leshan (Stage Manager) Michelle entered the back stage world ten years ago at Ralegh Little Theater. I have enjoyed it ever since. This is my third show with AACT including a brief onstage stint in Merchant of Venice. A huge hug to my husband who tolerates theater hours and encourages my participation.

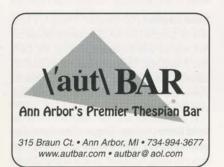
Cassie Mann (Frances Black) Cassie has been acting, directing, and serving on committees at AACT since 1976. Most recently, she directed the Trip to Bountiful and was last seen onstage as the breathing-challenged Aunt Gert in Lost in Yonkers. When not at Civic, Cassie is a program coordinator at U-M and a devoted soccer mom.

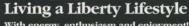
Martha Montoye (Props) Martha is very happy to be back with her theatre family after a two year absence. Aside from volunteering at AACT Martha is a decorator at Delux (No "E") Drapery.

Tom Patterson (Parrot, Sven, Shriner, Policeman) Thank you to TJ and David for the opportunity to take part in my first stage production in 17 years. Tom is originally from Port Huron, Michigan where theater has always been a fun past time. Past roles include Bob Cratchit in Scrooge. Linus in Charlie Brown and Blifil in Tom Jones. Aside from stage, Tom enjoys his work at Huron Woods in Ann Arbor with folks who suffer from dementia.

Emily Phenix (Irene Livingston) Emily recently appeared as Rita Racine in AACT's production of Steel Pier. Favorite past roles include Mary Jane in Big River, Eleanor/Bizarbara in Starmites and Margo Channing in Applause. Thanks to her husband Mathew and dog Rudy.

R.J. White (William Gallegher) Mr. White used to do a lot of theater. Then he stopped. He did college, then got a real job. He would like to thank his parents and Sara for pretty much anything. He also likes cake.





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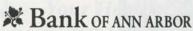


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