FORTHCOMING PRODUCTIONS

In the Playhouse

November 14 - 21

ARCADIA by Tom Stoppard

Lady Croom's grounds are being turned into picturesque romantic chaos by landscape artist "Culpability Noakes" as the fashion of 1809 dictates. Working in the Regency room overlooking the gardens are Thomasina Coverley, lady Croom's genius adolescent daughter, and her tutor Septimus Hodge; their unorthodox lessons are interrupted by the imperious Lady Croom and the cuckolded Ezra Chater, a minor poet. 180 years later in the same room, a similar group comprising a mathematician, historian and academic try to unravel the events of 1809...with spectacularly wrong results.

In the Studio

November 21 - December 5

OLEANNA by David Mamet

"Provocative, infuriating, incendiary" is how the play has been described. Essentially a study of the power struggle between John, a university professor, and Carol, his student, who has just received poor mid-term grades. The busy professor tries to help her and in turn is charged with inappropriate conduct in effect sexual harassment. The drama is one of interpretation - has the professor placed Carol in a compromising position? Does Carol have a predetermined agenda? Has power insidiously corrupted him? Decide for yourself. Whichever side you take, you're wrong.

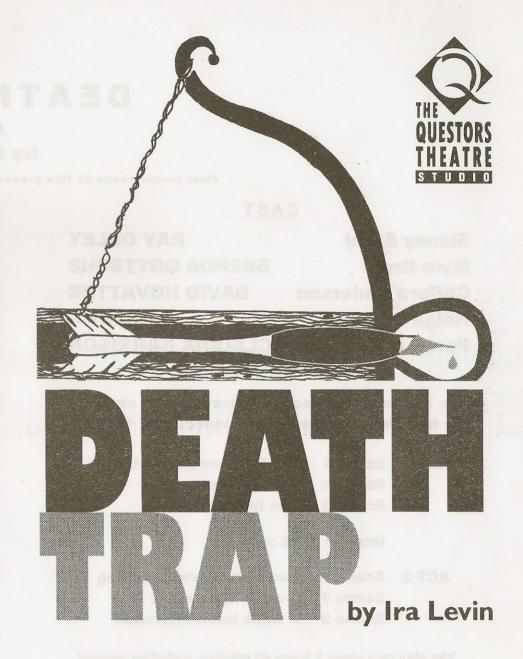
In the Playhouse

December 5 - 12

THE DEEP BLUE SEA

by Terence Rattigan

Hester Collyer, a clergyman's daughter, has left her high court judge husband to live in a dingy flat in West London with Freddie, a young, dashing ex-fighter pilot. In him Hester sees the the answer to her acute sexual hunger, a hunger that her husband could never satisfy. But Freddie proves callow and volatile and no more a match for the depth of her emotional desires than her husband was. In desperation Hester opts for suicide...and the play begins. This is a poignant and evocative tale, a tragedy of a nation whose heart is undernourished and whose men are crippled by an incapacity to feel.



DEATHTRAP

by Ira Levin

First performance of this production Saturday 17th October 1998

CAST

Sidney Bruhl
Myra Bruhl
Clifford Anderson
Helga ten Dorp
Portia Milgrim

RAY ORLEY
BRENDA GOTTSCHE
DAVID HOVATTER
MARI KING
CLAUDIA GARRISON

The action takes place in Sidney Bruhl's study, in the Bruhl home in Westport, Connecticut. 1978.

ACT 1 Scene 1 An afternoon in October

Scene 2 That evening

Scene 3 Two hours later

Interval of 15 minutes

ACT 2 Scene 1 Two weeks later, morning

Scene 2 A week later, night

Scene 3 A week later, afternoon

The play runs about 2 hours 40 minutes, including interval

There will be loud gunshots during the performance

PRODUCTION

Directed by
Designed by
Lighting Designer
Sound Designer

Stage ManagerSYLVIA WALLDeputy Stage ManagerFIONA GIBBONSAssistant Stage ManagersTRISH KNIGHT

ANNABELLE WILLIAMS

GEOFF MOORE
Wardrobe BRYANNE MELVILLE

Lighting Operators KRIS COLLIER
HELEN KING

LEILA BAYANDOR

Sound Operator CAROLINE GARDNER
Properties HARRIET SIMON

Construction PETER COLLINS
Prompters SUE OLIVER

PAM SMITH

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