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WOMEN BEWARE WOMEN
By Thomas Middleton
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The Penthouse Theatre Is Moving

Thank you for joining us for *The Voysey Inheritance*, the last play to be produced in the historic Penthouse Theatre before it is moved to its new home on north campus this spring. Created by School of Drama founder Glenn Hughes and drama professor John Conway in 1940, the Penthouse is the country's first theatre-in-the-round.

We will celebrate fifty years of performances in the arena theatre with a Penthouse Theatre Gala on Saturday, April 6 from 6:30 to 10:00 PM. For more information, write the School of Drama, Penthouse Theatre Gala, Hutchinson Hall, Mail Stop DX-20, Seattle, WA 98195.

Watch for the grand re-opening of the Penthouse Theatre in Spring 1992!

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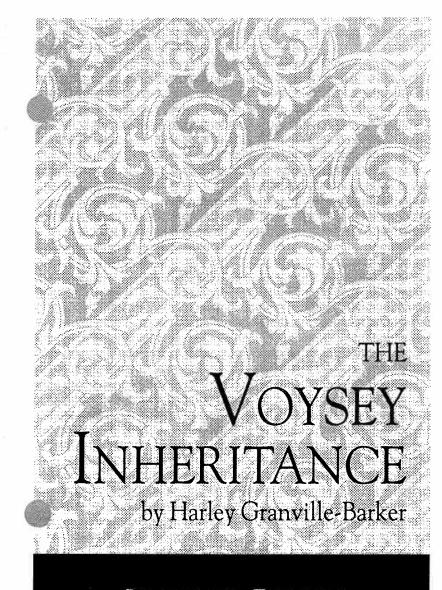
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PENTHOUSE THEATRE

52nd Season

MARCH 12-23, 1991

393rd Production

UW SCHOOL OF DRAMA

The Voysey Inheritance

By Harley Granville-Barker

Directed by David Ira Goldstein

Set Designer Costume Designer Lighting Designer Stage Manager Technical Director Robert A. Dahlstrom Karen Ledger R. W. Kuykendall[†] Behn Rudo[†] Devin Thompson

CAST

(In Order of Appearance)

William Westerborg*
William Westenberg*
Chris Welch*
tner Joel Summerlin*
Michael Dufault*
Michael Heelan*
Harris Smith*
Mark F. Lien*
Susan Lunt*
Leslie Law*
Mary Kae Irv
Sue Guthrie*
Patricia L. Murray*
<pre>@ Julie Thornton*</pre>
Roy Godwin*
Mark Gallagher*
Tara Emerson
Zena Dell Stephens

* Member of the Professional Actor Training Program. †Thesis production in partial fulfillment of a Master of Fine Arts degree.

The Voysey Inheritance is produced by special arrangement with The Society of Authors, Ltd.

Director's Notes

Harley Granville-Barker (1877-1946), a leading figure in the Edwardian renascence of the theatre, was a superb actor, tor and critic, as well as a playwright. He was a leader in the "new drama" of the turn of the century that valued content as well as structure. Barker was a part of the small but influential Fabian Society, a political group that sought to bring about a social revolution through "permeation"--espousing the gradual infiltration of revolutionary ideas into conventional thought through discussion and example, rather than by violence and confrontation. In the series of plays that they helped present between 1904 and 1907 at the Court Theatre in London. Barker and his mentor George Bernard Shaw advanced their ideas about social hypocrisy, the emerging role of the woman and the need for a classless society. Though Shaw's plays were invariably more flamboyant while Barker's were more realistic and less rhetorical, they espoused a similar political agenda. The Voysey Inheritance played matinees on days when Shaw's Man And Superman played in the evenings--what one wouldn't give to have seen that double bill!

The Voysey Inheritance has proven to be Barker's most popular and regularly produced work. In this play written when he was twenty-seven years old, Barker fully exhibits his mastery of characterization, painting in a broad picture of middle-class life from the Army man to the artist, from the browbeaten wife to the self-made woman. A play that explores how we deal with the legacy of previous generations is always current, and as we he Edward Voysey struggle with the task of dealing with his factor's financial chicanery, his choices echo our own struggles to point our society towards a more utopian future. Whether he finally chooses to pursue his unselfish goals through subtle permeation or open confrontation is a question that Barker leaves in tantalizing doubt until the final moments of the play.

Scenes

Act I: The Office of Voysey and Son, October.

Act II: The Voysey dining room at Chislehurst, that evening.

-- Ten-minute intermission --

Act III: The Voysey dining room, the following July.

Act IV: The Office of Voysey and Son, December, a year later.

-- Ten-minute intermission --

Act V: The Voysey dining room, two days later, on Christmas eve.

Production Credits

Assistant Stage Manager Jane Green Assistant Director Raja Benchekrow Regan Hair Assistant Costume Designer Judith Shahn Dialect Coach Bob Boehler Propmaster Makeup Design Jessica Goldstein Makeup Crew Tiffany Buchanan, Lara Lindsey Nakylah McBride, Kristy Meyers Julie Paré, Selyn Vong Joe Featherston Hair Design Wigs Delia Mulholland Master Electrician Bill Spaulding Lisa Bonney, Tony Dolendo Running Crew Marcy Farrell, Erin Gehner Darren Lang, Shawna McMahon Carolina McNeely, Mark Minerich Set Construction Crew Edward Cage, Eric Graves Monica Jolley, Larry Lemmons LaTonya Miller, Paul Ormseth Christian Ryser, Alan Salm and Drama 101 and 210 Students Costume Construction Crew Cynthia Abbott, Mary Beth Gagner Jacky Kennedy, Kathleen Maki Chandra D. Robinson and Drama 101 Students Vic Begay, Roland Fran House Management William Hill. Heather Jones Program Cover/Flyers Bruce Cochran Production Office Staff Robert Menna, S.P Miskowski Tom Rowan

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Please note: The taking of photographs during the performance is strictly prohibited. Please leave all beepers and paging devices and your name with the house manager. Also, out of respect for the artists and other audience members, children under five are not admitted.