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# WOMEN BEWARE **WOMEN** BY THOMAS **MIDDLETON**



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## Women

By Beware
Thomas
Middleton Women

### Directed by Arne Zaslove

Set Designer

Costume Designer

Lighting Designer

Stage Manager

Technical Director

Bob Woods

Mary Beth Gagner<sup>†</sup>

Richard K. Hogle

Behn Rudo<sup>†</sup>

Eric Graves

### CAST

CASI	
Leantio	Joel Summerlin
Bianca, his bride	Sue Guthrie
The Widow, his mother	Trish Murray*/Julie Thornton
Lady Livia	Leslie Law
Hippolito, her brother	Harris Smith
Fabritio, her brother	Roy Godwin
Isabella, Fabritio's daughter	Mary Kae Irvin*/Susan Limt
Guardiano	Michael Hesan
Ward, to Guardiano	Mark Lien
Sordido, companion to Ward	Mark Gallagher
The Duke Of Florence	Chris Welch
The Lord Cardinal, his brother	William Westenberg
Steward	Michael Dufault
Attendants	Catherine Conoley
	John R. Hastings
	Vicki Holloway

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

The action of the play takes place in Florence, Italy. There will be one fifteen-minute intermission.

### **Director's Notes**

In 1586, when Thomas Middleton was six years old, a gedy occurred which would define the shape of his life and his plays: his father, a bricklayer, died. Middleton's family then struggled--and not always honorably--for the family fortune and for the security it could afford in the unstable world of Jacobean London. Middleton finally achieved a measure of security in 1620 when he was appointed as Chronologer to the City of London, and his most well-known plays were written during this period about the themes of his own life.

In Women Beware Women, Middleton becomes the fatherless young Leantio who brings home to his poor widowed mother a beautiful wife from a wealthy family in a neighboring city-state. This successful attempt to fulfill a simple dream of happiness ignites the fuse of passion and power which burns throughout the play.

This fusestill burns today. Though nearly four hundred years old, Women Beware Women still speaks clearly to a modern audience. Fiefdoms of corruption and secular sin within our own world parallel those of Middleton's time. ow, as then, within our hearts we still have the capacity to commit and enjoy each of the Seven Deadly Sins: Pride, Greed, Lust, Envy, Gluttony, Anger and Sloth. Our desires can compromise our morality and blind us to our own destruction.

### Recommended Reading

Thomas Middleton And The Drama Of Realism by Dorothy M. Farr. Masques In Jacobean Tragedy by Sarah P. Sutherland.

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.

### **Production Credits**

Dramaturg	Roger Downey
Assistant Stage Manager	Yuan-In
Assistant Director	Robert Menna
Assistant Costume Designer	Jeni Jordan
Dialect Coach	Judith Shahn
Propmaster	Mark Langley
Master Electrician	Scott Allison
Running Crew	Melinda Anderson, Betsy Berger
	Kelly Fowler, Jenny Fox
	Beth Fulton, Thad Huff
	Leanne Johnson, Julianna Jones
	Britt Martin, Phil Rosman
	April Youngblood
Set Construction Crew	Edward Cage, Devin Thompson
	Monica Jolley, Larry Lemmons
	LaTonya Miller, Paul Ormseth
	Christian Ryser, Alan Salm
	and Drama 101 and 210 Students
Costume Construction Crew	Cynthia Abbott, Jim Westerland
	and Drama 101 Students
House Management	Vic Begay, Roland Frantz
	William Hill, Heather Jones
Program Cover/Flyers	Bruce Cochran
Production Office Staff	Hanna Eady, Robert Menna
	Tom Rowan, Patricia Van K

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