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Fight Choreographer
Asst. Stage Manager
Asst. Director
Asst. Costume Designer
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Scenic Artists

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Crew Chief

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Costume Contruction Crew

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# Toad of Toad Hall



By A.A. Milne

based on Kenneth Grahame's "The Wind in the Willows"



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### THE CAST

Marigold	CHANDRA COGBURN
Nurse	NGAIRE CLARK
Mole	JUSTIN IRISH
Water Rat	MARISOL MEDINA
Badger	DENISE JOHNSON
Toad	JUSTIN ALLEY
Alfreda	DONNA MORRISON
Chief Ferret	JASON WEBLEY
Chief Weasel	STEPHEN MERRITT
Chief Stoat	ERIN HURME
Ferrets	DON TAYLOR, MONTANA
	VON FLISS, SARA BETTS,
	DAWN ROBERSON
Stoats	ETHAN KOZAKI,
	JAMES NASH
Weasels	GIGI JHONG,
	MICHAEL GILSON
First Field Mouse	MONTANA VON FLISS
Second Field Mouse	DAWN ROBERSON
Policeman	ETHAN KOZAKI
Gaoler	JAMES NASH
Usher	DON TAYLOR
Judge	GIGI JHONG
Turkey	NGAIRE CLARK
Duck	MONTANA VON FLISS
Phoebe	CHANDRA COGBURN
Washerwoman	NGAIRE CLARK
Mama Rabbit	ERIN HURME
Lucy Rabbit	DAWN ROBERSON
Harold Rabbit	MICHAEL GILSON
Fox	DON TAYLOR
Barge Horse	DONNA MORRISON
Barge Woman	SARA BETTS

## TOAD OF TOAD HALL

### by A.A. Milne

A Play from Kenneth Grahame's Book "The Wind in the Willows"

Director	CATHY MADDEN
Set Designer	LING-FEI HU
Costume Designer	JEN HART
Lighting Designer	JAY VENZKE
Technical Director	JON OLSON
Stage Manager	JOEL M. PETERSON
Musical Directors	JASON WEBLEY
	ERIN HURME
Composer	JASON WEBLEY

### THE SCENE

Act One	Scene One - The River Bank
Act Two	Scene One - The Wild Woods
•	Scene Two - Badger's Underground Home
	Scene Three - Badger's Home, On a Spring
	Morning Some Weeks Later

Down By the Willows

#### Intermission - 15 minutes

Prologue

Act Three	Scene One - The Courthouse
	Scene Two - The Dungeon
	Scene Three - The Canal Bank
Act Four	Scene One - Rat's Riverside Residence
	Scene Two - The Secret Passageway
	Scene Three - The Banqueting Room in the
	Magnificent Toad Hall
Epilogue	The Willows Again

### **DIRECTOR'S NOTES**

A.A. Milne loved Kenneth Grahame's Wind in the Willows so much that he gave us this wonderful adaptation, Toad of Toad Hall, to offer to you tonight. In an introduction to the original book, A.A. Milne said:

"One does not argue about Wind in the Willows. The young man gives it to the girl with whom he is in love, and if she does not like it, asks her to return his letters. The older man tries it on his nephew, and alters his will accordingly. The book is a test of character. We can't criticize it, because it is criticizing us. As I wrote once: It is a Household book; a book which everbody in the household loves, and quotes continually; a book which is read aloud to every new guest and is regarded as the touchstone of his worth. But I must give you one word of warning. When you sit down to it, don't be so ridiculous as to suppose that you are sitting in judgement on my taste, or on the art of Kenneth Grahame. You are merely sitting in judgement on yourself. You may be worthy: I don't know. But it is you who are on trial."

I have been reminded of Milne's word of warning throughout rehearsals, as I have watched the actors dig deeply and play heartily, revealing both a bit of themselves and a bit of each of us in this wonder-full animal kingdom.

### **ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT**

Alan Alexander Milne (1882-1956), English writer, became world famous with children's poetry such as When We Were Very Young (1924) and the series of stories beginning with Winnie-the-Pooh (1926). But he also wrote essays and novels for adults, and some thirty plays. The best known among them are Mister Pim Passes By (1920) and the more biting The Truth about Blayds (1921). Milne acknowledged his gratitude to James M. Barrie who gave him a "first chance".

Milne was born in London, attended Trinity College, Cambridge, and then edited and contributed to *Punch* until he entered the army in 1915. There, he later remarked, he could write plays, a "luxury" not afforded the journalist. His first play was a sketch written for the troops and later expanded into a novel, *Once Upon a Time* (1917). Its success prompted him to write for the professional stage, and the production of *Wurzel-Flummery* in 1917 started his career as a playwright.

### RECOMMENDED READING

Grahame, Kenneth *Wind in the Willows*. New York: Scribner (1961) Milne, A. A. *Autobiography*. New York: E.P. Dutton & Co., Inc. (1939) Thwaite, Ann *A.A. Milne: his life*. London: Faber (1990)

There will be one fifteen minute intermission after Act II