Upcoming Attractions at the School of Drama

Courtship and 1918

By Horton Foote

The Studio Theatre, May 2-12

Alchemy of Desire / Dead Man's Blues
By Caridad Svich
The Penthouse Theatre; May 22-June 2

UW Arts Tickets 543-4880

ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT & THE PLAY

Brecht started work on Caucasian Chalk Circle in 1943 at the behest of Hollywood actress, Luise Ranier who intended to play the lead. However, by June of 1944 plans for the Broadway production had fallen through. Brecht kept working on the script and by September 1944 had a completed and revised script.

Brecht arrived in the U.S. devastated by the death of his lover and collaborator, Margarete Steffin, and displaced by several years of war, flight and exile. He collaborated with Ruth Berlau on the writing/re-writing of the play, during which time the two conceived a child, to be named Michel, who was born and died in L.A. in September, 1944, just as they neared completion of the revised version. The war with its attendant tragedies both personal and international, infuriated, endangered and grieved Brecht. The emphasis in Brecht's life at the time on desire, family, anger, loss, and grief combined with his distance from official Party politics in Europe combines to create a strong and passionate "outsider" or "little person's" take on war and its relationship to life in Caucasian Chalk Circle.

RECOMMENDED READING

Brecht, Bertolt Brecht on Theatre: The Development of an Asthetic Edited and Translated by John Willet New York, Hill and Wang [1964]

Fuegi, John Bertolt Brecht: Chaos, According to Plan
Cambridge [Cambridgeshire]; New York: Cambridge University Press [1987]

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*Deceased

The Caucasian Chalk Circle



By Bertolt Brecht



The Playhouse Theatre 30th Season 183rd Production May 1 — 11, 1996

Ensemble (In order of appearance)

Krista Hoeppner*
Tony Falotico*
Jocelyn Jackson*
David Long*
Doug Lockwood*
Henri Lubatti
John F.Hazlewood*
Jason Webley
Erin Neill*
James McAllister
Daniel Armand Coles*
Carolina McNeely*
Naho Shioya*
Christine Barley*
Giancarlo Gonzalez*

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Additional Text by Hamlet, Kresny, Underiner & Webley

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The Caucasian Chalk Circle

By Bertolt Brecht (Translated by Manheim and Willet)

New musical score by Jason Webley

Directed by Carys Kresny

John McDermott^o Set Design Anna-Lisa Snow Costume Design Jason Meininger Lighting Design Jason Webley Sound Design Bob Boehler **Technical Director** Holly Weathers Stage Manager Tamara Underiner Dramaturg Assistant Director Jeni Sternberg-Maier Alex Danilchik Prop Master

There will be one fifteen minute intermission

•Thesis production in fulfillment of a Master of Fine Arts in Directing

°In fulfillment of a Master of Fine Arts in Design

Assistant Lighting Designer David Smith Assistant Stage Manager Ethan Kozaki Katie Harrold Assistant Costume Designer Assistant Prop Master Evan M. Alexander Nacho Bravo Master Electrician Andrew Lieberman Scenic Artist Sanjeev Haas, Jay Venzke Master Carpenters **Movement Captains** Daniel Armand Coles, John F. Hazlewood, Jocelyn Jackson, David Long Anthony Balducci, Chris Balducci, Set Construction Derek Baylor, Chris Delano, Cari Ebbert, Daniel Gonzalez, Don Taylor, Victor Twu Katie Harrold, Kira Knight, Costume Construction Doris Landolt, Veronica Lavenz, Christy Scoggins, Sean Sullivan, Drama 211 and 291 Students Jay Venzke, Mare Philpott, **Electrics Crew** Derek Baylor, Drama 212 Lab Students Nicole Darland, David Gangler, **Running Crew** Ann Kim, Jason Mack, Adam Pruitt. Shannon Williams Kate Brinton

Light Board Operator Kate Brinton

Sound Board Operator Iftiaz Haroon

Spot Operator Janette Yew

Production Office Staff Rachel Katz, Kerry Skalsky

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