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# The Regional Premiere of Patrick Hamilton's *Gaslight* by Steven Dietz Opens October 22<sup>nd</sup> at New Stage Theatre!



**JACKSON**— This Halloween season, prepare to be captivated by psychological suspense as New Stage Theatre presents *Gaslight* by Steven Dietz based on the original play by Patrick Hamilton! Opening on October 22 and running through November 3, this spine-tingling production promises to keep audiences on the edge of their seats. Curtain times and dates for performances are October 22 – 26, 29, 31, and November 1 – 2 at 7:00 p.m., October 30 at 1:00 p.m., and October 27 and November 3 at 2:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$35.00 with discounts available for students, senior citizens, military, and groups. Tickets can be purchased at the box office, charged by phone by calling the theatre at (601) 948-3533 Ext 223, or ordered online at www.newstagetheatre.com. This production is sponsored by Bruckner Photography. Security provided and patrols during performances. *Recommended for ages 13*+.

Set against the eerie backdrop of Victorian New York, *Gaslight* explores the dark corridors of manipulation and madness. When Bella's onceloving husband, Jack, begins to manipulate her perception of reality, a sinister game unfolds—one that questions the very fabric of truth and trust. The tension builds with every flicker of the gaslight, revealing the chilling power dynamics at play.

"Gaslight is a haunting thriller in which a young woman's existence is twisted, forcing her to question reality," says Artistic Director Francine Thomas Reynolds. "With this concise adaptation of the classic Broadway play and film, Stephen Dietz has crafted a timeless and exciting psychological drama. As society continues to grapple with information challenges, this play, which gave rise to 2022's word of the year, Gaslight, is also timely. Fortunately, Dietz's script offers light and hope as the audience experiences how Bella deals with darkness, secrets and shadows."

Join us for a night of suspense, where the shadows grow long, and nothing is as it seems. Featuring standout performances by Hannah Elizabeth Freeman\* (Brandon) as Bella Manningham, Drew Stark (Orlando) as Jack Manningham, Malaika Quarterman (Jackson) as Elizabeth, Marquita Levy (Brandon) as Nancy, Ward Emling (Florence) as Sergeant Rough, and Keith Allen Davis, Jr. (Meridian) and Jacob Heuer (Oxford) as police officers, this production is sure to leave you breathless. \*Actors' Equity Association Member

# **Event Details**

Location: New Stage Theatre 1100 Carlisle St. Jackson, MS 39202

Dates: October 22 – 26, 29, 31, & November 1 – 2 at 7:00 p.m.; October 27 & November 3 at 2:00 p.m.;

October 30 at 1:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$35; \$30 Seniors/Students/Military Available at 601-948-3533 Ext. 223 & www.newstagetheatre.com

For press inquiries, interviews, or additional information, please contact JeriAnna Shaw at 662-418-5482 or at Jshaw@neewstagetheatre.com.

# **Discount Nights**

**PAY WHAT YOU CAN NIGHT**: Patrons can come to the box office beginning at 6:00pm on Tuesday, October 22 and name their price at the door. Valid for the October 22 performance only. Subject to availability (\$5 minimum on all credit card purchases)

**STUDENT RUSH DISCOUNT:** One hour prior to curtain for any performance, students with a current academic ID may purchase an available seat for \$10. Limit one ticket per ID.

**MISSISSIPPI THEATRE NIGHT:** To celebrate Mississippi's thriving theatre community, anyone who mentions 'Mississippi Theatre' can reserve \$15 tickets for the performances on Friday, October 25. This discount is only available by calling the box office and mentioning "Mississippi Theatre" for the discount.

### **Production Staff**

**Director** Francine Thomas Reynolds

Production Stage ManagerMattea PierceProduction ManagerCasey NelmsTech Director/Co-DesignerRichard LawrenceCo-Scenic DesignerBraden GravesCostume DesignerRuth DentelLighting & Sound DesignerAlberto MezaProperties DesignerJenna Kahley

Lead Electrician Matthew McMurtry

**Costume Shop Supervisor** Nina Frost

Production Assistant Darby Frost, Ness Koeguel, Joey Ford

Charge Artist Michael Montgomery

**Carpenters** Dave Ellis

Jimmy 'JR' Robertson