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New Stage Opens 59th Season with Side-Splitting Comedy *Noises Off* by Michael Frayn September 10-22!



JACKSON—New Stage Theatre presents *Noises Off* by Michael Frayn September 10-22! This critically acclaimed comedy takes you on a wild ride behind the scenes of a disastrous theatre production! Curtain times and dates for performances are September 10 – 14, 17, 19 – 21 at 7:00 p.m. and September 15 and 22 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 Linda and John Schmidt. Security provided and patrols during performances. *Recommended for ages 14+ for adult language and themes*.

A touring troupe's flop of a play revolves and devolves into comedy chaos in this multi-award-winning play within a play. Doors slam, sardines fly, and trousers drop in Michael Frayn's side-splitting British farce about a theater company desperately trying to get their act together. Both onstage and backstage, chaos reigns for a troupe of floundering actors whose forgotten lines, misplaced props, and steamy romantic entanglements make it nearly impossible for the show to go on. An uproarious love letter to the theater, *Noises Off* is a peek behind the curtain—where everything that can go wrong, does!

"Both a celebration and satire of theatre, Michael Frayn's Noises

Off has been called "the funniest farce ever written" by critics and audiences alike. Its continued success, on and off-Broadway, makes it the ideal comedy to open our New Stage Theatre "Your Place for Broadway Shows" 59th Season," says Artistic Director Francine Thomas Reynolds. "With its delightful blend of witty dialogue, slapstick and well-timed comedic mayhem, **Noises Off** highlights the artistic talent, skill, and dexterity of our talented cast and creative staff. At this time, nothing seems more perfect than putting up a show whose sole purpose is to encourage us to laugh."

The cast includes: Jo Ann Robinson* as Dotty Otley (Pearl), Joseph Frost as Lloyd Dallas (Jackson), Drew Stark as Gary Lejeune (Orlando), Cameron Vipperman as Brooke Ashton (North Caroline), Jamie Shannon Ferguson as Poppy Norton-Taylor (Jackson), John Howell as Frederick Fellowes (Jackson), Jessica Wilkinson as Belinda Blair (Jackson), Keith Davis as Tim Allgood (Meridian), and John Jabaley as Selsdon Mowbray (New Orleans).

Discount Nights

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.

YOUTH NIGHTS: Youth 18 and under can reserve \$15 tickets for the performances on Friday, September 13 This discount is only available by calling the box office and mentioning "youth night" for the discount.

Schedule & Ticket Information

Where:

1100 Carlisle Street, Jackson MS 39202

Dates:

Open: September 10, 2024; Close: September 22, 2024

Performance Times:

September 10 - 14, 17, 19-21 at 7:00 p.m. September 12 at 10:00 a.m. September 15 and 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets:

\$35; seniors/students/military \$30

Box Office:

Telephone: 601-948-3533 Ext 223 Online: www.newstagetheatre.com Email: tickets@newstagetheatre.com

Hours: Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Hours During Show:

Tuesday thru Friday: 10 am - 7:00 pm Saturday: 1 pm - 7 pm; Sunday: 1 pm - 2 pm

Tickets Online:

Tickets may be purchased 24 hours a day, seven days a week at www.newstagetheatre.com (a per-ticket service fee of \$3 applies to all online purchases)

Director **Production Stage Manager Tech Director/Co-Designer Co-Scenic Designer Production Manager Lighting Designer Costume Designer** Sound Designer/Engineer **Properties Designer Stunt Director Lead Electrician Production Associate Costume Shop Supervisor Production Assistant Charge Artist**

Carpenters

Francine Thomas Reynolds Mattea Pierce Richard Lawrence Brent Lefavor Casey Nelms **Andrew Prince** Anna Christine Hillberry Alberto Meza Jenna Kahley David Reed Matthew McMurtry Joey Ford Nina Frost Darby Frost/Ness Keogul Michael Montgomery

Dave Ellis Jimmy 'JR' Robertson