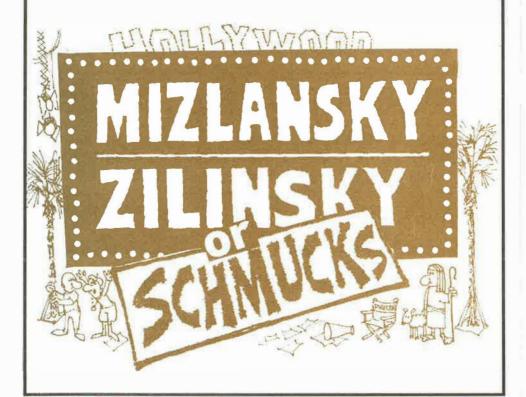
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presents the seventh show of the 1999-2000 "Celebrate the Century"
Season, playing April 27 thru May 28, 2000.
JAC ALDER, Executive Producer-Director



Comedy by JON ROBIN BAITZ

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Regarding this performance...

- There will be one tifteen minute intermission. Concessions are available in the lobby.
- Cameras or recording devices of any kind are prohibited.
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- Please finish refreshments in the lobby.

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- Half of the seats may be reached by handrails.
- A wheelchair-accessible restroom is next to the box office.
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Contributions have been made in memory of or from the estates of ... Sam Catter, Bill Dallas, Scott Everheart, Paula Goodlet, Oliver Hailey, Anne Weeks Jackson, Jim Jackson, Masha Porte, Carolyn Ryburn, Mary Blanche Scales, Evelyn Wilke, and Norma Young.

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|--|-------------------------|
| Costume Designer | BRUCE R. COLEMAN |
| Set Designer | HARLAND WRIGHT |
| Hair Stylist and Colorist | JAMES MAY |
| Lighting Designer and Technical Director | |
| Stage Manager | |
| Production Assistant | |

^{*}denotes member of Actors Equity Association

CREW

Mike Garner, Crew Chief; Jarrod Saunders, Light Board Operator and Master Carpenter; Linda Harrison, Master Electrician; Pat Parise and Mike Lovitt, Carpenters.

THE SETTING / WHERE & WHEN

ACT ONE

| SCENE 1 | Dec 14,1984. | Lunch at I | Le Cre | che de Oaxac | a, a Fran | co-Spanish | bistro. |
|---------|--------------|---------------|---------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------|
| SCENE 2 | 3:45 | 5 that aftern | noon. 1 | Mizlansky's l | ouse in (| Coldwater (| Canyon |
| SCENE 3 | | | 6:15 | that evening. | Still at | Mizlansky's | house |

intermission -- 15 minutes

ACT TWO

| 1101 1 110 | |
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| | The veranda of a poolside room at Casa de la Ventana del Sol |
| SCENE 2 | Dec 15. Lunch at a Mexican restaurant, La Talpa in West L. A. |
| SCENE 3 | Same day at 5:15pm. At Mizlansky's house. |
| SCENE 4 | Same day at 6:20. Mizlansky's house. |
| | Jan 9, 1985 at 4:00pm. The Farmer's Market. |
| | SCENE 2I SCENE 3SCENE 4 |

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| and housekeeping rendered by Rebecca Dees, Rand | all Lawrence, Peggy McDermott and David Thompkins. | |

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Jac Alder* *denotes members of Actors' Equity Association



Terry Dobson*



Hugh Feagin*



Bill Jenkins*



Steve Jones



Lisa J. Miller



Mark Shum



Lem White

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JAC ALDER (Mizlansky) more frequently serves the Theatre Three stage as a director: this season he directed Broken Glass and the just-concluded Major Barbara. His most recent acting assignment (which won him a "Best Actor" award from The Dallas Observer) was the role of the difficult Viennese vocal coach in Jon Maran's Old Wicked Songs, a role he later recreated for The Temple Theatre in North Carolina. He has reprised the role of one of the fathers in *The Fantasticks* numerous times, has performed as a musician/singer/actor in revues of his devising, notably *Porter*, Please, Rise and Shine, Yip Yip Hooray!, and S'Wonderful. His favorite musical role was that of Pangloss-Martin in Candide. Alder has performed for other Dallas cultural organizations including The Dallas Summer Musicals and has performed the role of host-narrator for children's performances for both The Dallas Opera and The Dallas Symphony. He is the author-composer of the musical The Venetian Twins and devised (with musical director Terry Dobson) Weill Women and Ball Games. Last season he adapted Moliere's The Miser, one of the season's biggest hits starring longtime friend, Larry O'Dwyer. He was inducted into the Southwest Theatre Conference Hall of Fame in 1998, shared the Dallas Historical Society's Award for Excellence with his late wife, Norma Young, and has been cited for lifetime achievement by The Dallas Critics' Circle. He, with Ms. Young, was one of Theatre Three's original founders, and he continues to serve the theatre as its Executive Producer-Director.

TERRY DOBSON (*De Vreis*) led off this season with his madly comic portrayal of the bewildered bisexual in *Beyond Therapy*. He has just concluded a run of *Tomfoolery* (which he directed and in which he performed) in Theatre Too, Theatre Three's basement performing space. Other assignments this season include being musical director of *The Boy Friend* and *Company*. He will be serving as the musical director for the annual Theatre Three Gala (which occurs mid-run of this production on May 18th and which is a salute to the famed Texas-born, Mary Martin). Earlier this year he trained and conducted ENCORE, a division of The Turtle Creek Chorale, when they performed with Nell Carter at the Meyerson. Among his many past adventures in theatre, he has toured (to Russia, no less!) as musical director of *Peace Child*. This season marks Dobson's twentieth with Theatre Three, where, in addition to his numerous acting and musical assignments, he serves administratively as Company Manager negotiating contracts with unions, agencies and play-leasing companies.

HUGH FEAGIN (Zilinsky) appeared earlier this season in Arthur Miller's Broken Glass. Previous assignments include leads in all the Arthur Miller shows Theatre Three has produced: After the Fall, The Price, and A View from the Bridge. Long one of Theatre Three's most valued players, Feagin made his debut as The Reverend Shannon in Night of the Iguana in the 1963 season. Other memorable appearances were leading roles in Indians, A Man's a Man, The Play's the Thing, Our Town, Tobacco Road, A Small Family Business, The Wake, Father Dreams, Waiting for Godot, That Championship Season, One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest....and more! As one of the city's busiest actors, Feagin has made appearances, as well, at the Dallas Theater Center, the Dallas Children's Theatre and Water Tower Theatre. He is a native of Dallas who was trained at The Goodman School of Theatre in Chicago.

BILL JENKINS (Hart) is making his tenth appearance at Theatre Three with this show. He previously was featured as Paul in Born Yesterday, his own "evil twin" in Accomplice and as "the romantic guy" in Everything I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten. His most recent role was a lizard named Leslie in Albee's Pulitzer-Prize winner, Seascape at Circle Theatre for whom he earlier played Jake in Jake's Women. Other favorite roles include Sagot in Picasso at the Lapin Agile, Pip/Theo in Three Days of Rain (both for Water Tower Theatre); Ivor in Rough Crossing, Hector in Heartbreak House, and Sgt. Ross in Breaking the Code (all for Stage West); Alan Swan in My Favorite Year (Plano Rep) and Sydney in Deathtrap (for Casa Manana). His most noted role is as Scratchman for the Texas Lottery (a three year ad campaign with over thirty commercials). His honors include Theatre Three's Patron's Favorite Award for his role as Peter in Eastern Standard. "Thanks to Greg, love to Linda, glad to be here!"

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STEVE JONES (*Tolkin*) is very happy to make his debut at Theatre Three in this production. Some past performances in the DFW area include productions of *Princess and the Pea* and *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* at the Dallas Children's Theatre, *The Ritz* at the Pocket Sandwich Theater, and *Louda, Fastya, Funnya!* at Pegasus Theater. He has just completed a commercial for the Encore! cable network, which should air in the near future. Jones holds a BFA in theatre from Stephen F. Austin State University and is represented by the Horne Agency.

LISA J. MILLER (Dusty) has moved up from the basement of the theatre where she just closed in Tomfoolery in the Theatre Too space. Earlier this year she played the divinely ditsy stewardess in Company. Previous Theatre Three roles include Sondheim's The Frogs and the Irving Berlin salute, Rise&Shine (as one of the Dainty Debs). Miller was a member of the cast of Lady in the Dark, last year's Theatre Three Gala show, and will perform as a vocalist in this year's gala, singing from the Mary Martin songbook.

MARK SHUM (Trecker) just closed in Theatre Three's production of Major Barbara playing the Greek scholar, Adolphus. Earlier this season he was the hilarious Bob in Beyond Therapy. Other Theatre Three credits include Our Town, Arcadia, Gross Indecency: The Three Trials of Oscar Wilde, and As Bees in Honey Drown. Other favorite local credits include Turn of the Screw at Circle Theatre, Reefer Madness at Pegasus Theatre, and Loot for Stage West. In addition to his numerous acting assignments, Shum works administratively at Theatre Three, including serving as Subscription Manager for the new season.

LEM WHITE (*Brooks*) just finished his assignment as Charles Lomax/Bill Walker in *Major Barbara*. White, a native Texan recently returned from New York City, made his debut in the early nineties at Theatre Three in *Fortinbras*. His most recent work in New York was a summerstock run at Bristol Valley Theatre in *Deathtrap* and *Don't Dress for Dinner*. His return to his "old stomping grounds" was motivated by being able to work with as many of his old colleagues as he can because he "loves to work and just plain old misses old friends".

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- Art (the international hit comedy)
- The World Goes Round (the Kander and Ebb Broadway revue)

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