

KENTWOOD PLAYERS PRESENTS
MOSS HART'S
LIGHT UP THE SKY
SEPTEMBER 9TH - OCTOBER 15TH



Directed by Kathleen Chapin

Westchester Playhouse
8301 Hindry Avenue
Westchester, California 90045-3205
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Light Up the Sky

by Moss Hart

Director

Kathleen Chapin

Producers

De Cotter & Susan Weisbarth

Set Design

Michael Keith Allen

Light Design

Tom Brophey

Costume Design

Sheridan Cole

Sound Design

Susan Stangl

Cast

(in order of appearance)

Miss Lowell..... Victoria Herrmann
Carleton FitzgeraldMichael Keith Allen
Frances Black Pina Tahchyk
Owen Turner.....Phil Apoian
Stella Livingston..... Gail Bernardi
Peter Sloan..... Jerad Callen
Sidney Black.....Ben Lupejkis
Irene Livingston.....Maria Pavone
Tyler Rayburn..... Geoffrey Jon
William H. Gallegher Jack Coppock (first 3 weeks)
William H. Gallegher Chris Roberts (last 3 weeks)

Setting: The living-room of Irene Livingstone's Ritz-Carlton Hotel
suite at Boston, Mass.

Act I 5:30 PM

Act II About 11:45 that evening

Act III 3:30 AM

There will be a 15-minute intermission between Acts I and II.

Decaf coffee will be served at the intermission, courtesy of Kentwood Players

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

About the Director

Kathleen Chapin – Kathleen is a graduate of the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art and South Coast Repertory's Professional Conservatory.

About the Producers

De Cotter – A 43-year member of Kentwood Players, De is pleased to produce *Light Up the Sky* for your pleasure. Enjoy!

Susan Weisbarth – Susan is happy to be back at Kentwood. She appeared in *Cabaret* in 1974 and produced *Carnival* in 1976. She wants to thank the Cotters for all their love and support.

About the Cast

Michael Keith Allen (Carleton Fitzgerald) – Michael holds an MFA from the National Theatre Conservatory, undergraduate degrees in marketing and theatre, has designed numerous sets for the stage, production designed lottery shows, taught acting, movement and stagecraft, and has a contractor's license. He is overjoyed to be once again on stage.

Phil Apoian (Owen Turner) – Phil is a proud member of the Screen Actors Guild, has a Beverly Hills agent, and his phone is always on in case Spielberg calls.

Gail Bernardi (Stella Livingston) – Gail is thrilled to be back on the Kentwood stage again. It's been a while. Directing has taken up most of her time lately, a job that she thoroughly enjoys. Her most recent directorial stints have been *Picnic*, *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, and *Painting Churches*, to name just a few. Gail is currently serving on the Kentwood Board of Directors as Vice President and Membership Chairman.

Jerad Callen (Peter Sloan) – Happily returning after a prolonged hiatus, this marks Jerad's sixth production at Kentwood. A Leo born in the year of the Ram, he has been acting for over a decade in shows including *Behold a Pale Bronco*, *Matchmaker*, and his favorite, *Don't Dress for Dinner*. His performance is dedicated, as always, to the "Nickel People."

Jack Coppock (William H. Gallagher) – Jack recently closed *Moon over Buffalo* at Theatre Palisades. He has worked with California Shakespeare Company in Thousand Oaks in *Merchant of Venice* and *As You Like It*. But he still considers KP his home. He appeared on this stage for the first time in *Separate Tables* in 1966. His last KP appearance was in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* for one weekend.

Victoria Herrmann (Miss Lowell) – Victoria was born in Germany and moved to Los Angeles 10 years ago. This production is her first time on stage, and she is very excited about this opportunity. She has a degree in psychology and art and worked in Germany in many different professions, including acting (her first love) in film.

Geoffrey Jon (Tyler Rayburn) – A UC Irvine and USC graduate, Geoffrey Jon's stage work includes the Grove Theatre, Long Beach Playhouse, Performance Riverside's Ovation-award-winning *1776*, Rialto Playhouse, Second City, and South Coast Repertory. Film and television credits include Disney's *Haunted Mansion* as a principal ballroom dancer and roles on *Crossing Jordan*, *The Guardian*, and others.

Ben Lupejkis (Sidney Black) – Ben was last seen as the gleefully malevolent Tony Abbott in *Heaven Can Wait*. In 2004 he directed the *1940's Radio Hour* and designed the setting for *Murder on the Nile*. Additionally, he coordinates publicity for KP. Ben wishes to thank Kathleen and De for seeing him in this delicious role and Pattie for continually seeing him through.

Maria Pavone (Irene Livingston) – Maria is involved in Los Angeles theatre in capacities besides acting and has served such local theatrical organizations as the Mark Taper, LA Stage Alliance, A.S.K. Theatre Projects, the Tiffany Theatres, and Circle X. She is also a script analyst for stage and screen, and has been nominated for an LA Weekly Award in acting.

Chris Roberts (William H. Gallegher) – Chris has been a member of Kentwood Players since 1958. He has been awarded Marcom Masque Awards for acting as Charlie Castle in *The Big Knife*, Henry VIII in *Anne of a Thousand Days* and Martin Dysart in *Equus*. He has directed *Cabaret* and *Blood Brothers* among others. In 2005 he co-produced *The Rainmaker* and directed *Heaven Can Wait*.

Pina Tahchyk (Frances Black) – Born in Pszczyna, Poland, Pina grew up in Philadelphia and spent the last ten years appearing in various shows in the Washington State area including *Hedda Gabler*, (Jewel Box Theatre), *A Streetcar Named Desire* (Lakewood Playhouse), and *As You Like It* (Snoqualmie Falls Theater). She is co-founder of the Tilfscreed Workshop in Humptulips, WA.

You are invited to meet and greet cast members after the performance in the Green Room. Please use the outside stairway at the rear of the theater.

Production Staff

Stage Manager.....	Valerie Ruel
Script Supervisor	Barbara McMurray
Booth Crew	Jim Crawford, Melvin Miller
Original Graphic Design	Kathleen Chapin
Lobby Design	De Cotter
Master Builder.....	Dave Whale
Builders.....	Michael Allen, Phil Apoian, Jack Coppock, Jim Crawford Ben Lupejkis, Daniel Tennant, Drew Fitzsimmons, Jerad Callen
Painters	Drew Fitzsimmons, Jim Crawford, Kathleen Chapin Julia Maggs, Alicja Sprague
Boston Cityscape	Max Heldring Stormes
Eleanora Duse Painting.....	Michael Cohen
Floor Painting.....	Scot Renfro
<i>The Time is Now</i> Poster.....	David Bosworth, Billy Bartels
Birdcage Assembly.....	Bob Schnauss
Master Seamstress	Barbara Brophrey
Seamstresses.....	Julia Maggs, Valerie Ruel, Janelle L'Heureux, Yvonne Kainoa
Publicity Photos.....	Billy Bartels
Audition Assistance	Gert Nord, Max Heldring Stormes, Jeanne Spain, Hilary Fitzsimmons
Hospitality Coordinator.....	Dagmar Schnauss
Box Office.....	Ashley Schultz

Strike Crew and Work Sunday

Franczeska Angel, Shari Barrett, Maria B. Cohen, Michael I. Cohen,
Sheldon Cohen, Andrew Fitzsimmons, Michael Grinde, Shellee James,
Gretchen Luna, Julia Maggs, Sheldon Metz, Melvin Miller, Calia Mintzer,
Gertrude Nord, Frank Olivadoti, Richard Potthoff, Charlotte Schildkret,
Bob Schnauss, Adina Silo, Alicja Sprague, Max Stormes,
Daniel A. Tennant, Dave Whale, Fred Wolf
and the cast and crew of *Light Up the Sky*

Special Thanks

Dave Parke, Nick Koffroth, Matt Giangrande, Shellee James,
Sheridan Cole, Maria Cohen, Emma Koffroth, Edward Sachs

During the performance please turn your pagers to silent, and turn off your cell phones and alarms on your digital watches. There is no louder sound in a theatre than the rattle of cellophane. *Please unwrap your candy or cough drops before the play begins.*

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Book by Richard Morris

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Director: Gail Bernardi

Shakespeare's

Romeo and Juliet

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Director: Don Schlossman

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Words by Tom Jones Picture

Music by Harvey Schmidt

May 5 – June 17, 2006

Director: Kirk Larson

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