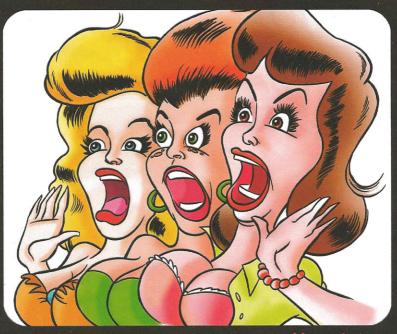
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# Kentwood Players presents SCREAM QUEENS - THE MUSICAL "THEY SING! THEY DANCE! THEY DIE!"



Written and Directed by Scott Martin Choreography by Victoria Miller Produced by Susan Goldman Weisbarth

September 14 - October 20, 2012 Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

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Set Design Jim Crawford Lighting Design Tom Brophey Costume Design Jayne Hamil

#### Cast

Tonya	Azeen Kazemi
Richelle	Amanda Majkrzak
DeeDee	Alison Mattiza
Nadine	Victoria Miller
Bianca	Jennifer Richardson
Alexis	Susan Goldman Weisbarth
Alice Lunsford, Harold Marlene Grinde, Michael Grinde, Kyle Bruehl, George Kondr Russell Ham, Gene H Virginia Mekkelson, Xand Cameron Guziak, Melissa Cruz, Jov 	reslete, Rocky Miller, Van Mattiza, Barbara Haberman, Dershimer, Jim Lunsford, Deborah Ishida, Peter Miller, Vada Foster, Gypsy Foster, Greg Abbott, Shari Barrett, eck, Cathy Picker, Charlotte Lee Schildkret, Hal Fisher, laberman, Maria Cohen, Michael Cohen, Jennifer Stout, der Karafin, Joel Karafin, Valerie Guziak, Leah Guziak, an Willis, Caroline Macou, Osric Holt, Ethan Schyman, Olivas, Hollister Starrett, Logan Hannig, Lucas Hannig, mi Suber, Isaiah Suber, Hannah Suber, Hezekiah Suber, Chris Farina, Toni Farina, Francesca Farina, Gianna Pira

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Musical Arrangements by Christopher J. Freyer

Produced by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

#### Setting

Time: January 1998

Place: The International GlamaGore ScreamiCon at the Holiday Place Hotel and Convention Center Parma Heights, Ohio

## **Musical Numbers**

### Act One

Scream Queens	All
I Got All of the Talent I Need	Richelle, Alexis, Nadine, DeeDee
Fay Wray	Tonya (& others)
Gotcha Cornered	Bianca, DeeDee, Richelle
Still in Demand	Nadine (& others)
Everybody Starts at the Bottom	Alexis, Bianca, DeeDee
I'm Alright, Momma	Bianca, Nadine, Tonya (& others)

There will be a 15-minute intermission between Acts I and II. Decaf coffee will be served at the intermission, courtesy of Kentwood Players

## Act Two

South of the Border	Alexis (& others)
Happy Endings	Richelle
Don't Open That Door	DeeDee (& others)
Roger Corman	Bianca (& others)
Special FX	All
Remember the Name	All
Finale	All

#### **Director's Notes**

It is said that a writer should write about that which he knows. Since two of my earliest and current passions in life are monster movies and musicals – originating when my father took me to a real movie theater in downtown Cleveland in 1958 to see *The Attack of the Fifty Foot Woman* and my mother bought me an LP of Gilbert & Sullivan's greatest hits – it seemed only natural, logical and way overdue when I started writing this show in December, 1997. By August of the following year, Jayne and I dove into our personal savings, cast six very talented L.A. locals, and presented the world premiere just in time for Halloween at the tiny Whitefire Theatre in Sherman Oaks.

Since then, *Scream Queens -- The Musical* was published by Samuel French Inc. and has had productions in many other cities such as Cleveland, Phoenix, New Orleans, Syracuse, as well as international casts in Canada and Tasmania! Those of you who are obsessed or just casual fans of the horror/sci-fi/fantasy genres will understand what inspired the lunacy you'll see and hear tonight. You other theatre buffs who want to experience a fun, "new" musical, you'll get that, too. The rest – "They're coming to get you, Barbara!" My grateful thanks to the Kentwood Players Board of Directors for allowing me to share this with you. Laugh in good health.

Scott Martin

#### About the Cast



Azeen Kazemi (Tonya) – Azeen Kazemi's nickname of Az has gained her laughs and mispronunciations. It is actually pronounced (Oz). She grew up in a small California suburb near Sacramento, Roseville. She graduated from the Academy of Dramatic Arts in Los Angeles in 2008 with an Associate's Degree in Theatre. Az is currently enrolled in Antioch University pursuing a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Creative Writing. She is an aspiring thespian and writer. One of her strangest and best known talents is what she likes to call

nasal ventriloquism which will be featured later in the show. Az is very happy to be a Scream Queen and thanks Scott for the opportunity. This is her debut performance at Kentwood.



Amanda Majkrzak (Richelle) – Amanda is thrilled to be making her Kentwood Players debut as Richelle in *Scream Queens*! Amanda hailed all the way from Elgin, Iowa 4 years ago to pursue her love of acting. She grew up in a very musical and theatrical family whom she credits with her love of the musical arts. Her favorite well-known shows to date include *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Something's Afoot*, *Children of the Night*, *Annie Warbucks*, *Into the Woods* and *Noises Off*. She has also had roles in the original musicals *1904* and *1933*, which were

written and directed by her own talented mother! She has also starred in several short films, music videos and the popular webseries *InSight*. Amanda has studied acting for the last 3 years at the prestigious Ivana Chubbuck Studios in Hollywood. Amanda resides in Los Angeles with her wonderfully supportive husband Dave and her 2 dogs Landon and Lesley.



Alison Mattiza (DeeDee) – Alison is thrilled to be working with Scott on this production!! This will be the first time Alison has worked on stage for Scott, she choreographed *Little Green Men* for him at Kentwood in 2008 and also *A Funny Thing Happened...Forum* last summer at Theater Palisades. Earlier this year, Alison portrayed Becca in *Rabbit Hole* here at Kentwood. Other roles Alison has performed include Donna/Oolie in *City of Angels*, Cassie in *A Chorus Line*, Roxie in *Chicago*, the Housewife in *Working*, Adelaide in *Guys and* 

*Dolls* and Amy in *Company*. Alison is very excited to be working with such a talented group of ladies (and gentlemen) in the cast and crew of this show!! Most importantly, Alison is thankful for the love and support of husband Van and son Jack.



**Victoria Miller** (Nadine) – On the KP stage, Vicki's favorite roles include Go-to-Hell Kitty in *Chicago*, Joan in *Dames at Sea*, Cassie in *A Chorus Line*, Solange in *Follies*, and mother of the bride in *Father of the Bride*. As a dancer, she appeared in the Folies Bergere in Las Vegas, Disneyland's Golden Horseshoe Revue, Hollywood Bowl performances with Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds and with the Cab Calloway and Doc Severinsen Orchestras, the Merv Griffin TV Show and the CLOSBC productions of *Mame*, *Singin in the Rain*, and *My Fair Lady*.



**Jennifer Richardson** (Bianca) – Jennifer originally thought this was a musical about a whole other genre of screaming queens. ;-) So she is kind of surprised to be doing this fun and ridiculous show, and to spend some time in a zany subculture she was almost completely unaware of before. The cast and crew are wonderful, and it has been delightful coming to rehearsals with the certainty that you never know what Scott Martin will throw at you next to make you all collapse in fits of giggles. Kentwood is one of Jen's favorite theater homes,

having recently played Bet in *Oliver* and Grace in *Annie*. She holds the experience of playing Linda in Kentwood's *Blood Brothers* close to her heart. Other favorite roles include Maria in *The Sound of Music* at Camarillo, Eliza in *My Fair Lady* at Simi Valley and Rosie in *Cabaret* at Knightsbridge. She wants to thank her family back in Texas for providing such perfect inspiration for this role, especially her crazy-wonderful Aunt Glenda, a southern/Texan woman with big hair, a voluptuous body, and an even bigger personality and heart. And finally, big love to her favorite little furry friend, Blue, who is making his musical theater debut in *Scream Queens*.



**Susan Goldman Weisbarth** (Alexis) – Susan is thrilled to be a part of this wonderful production. She has been performing in theaters, concerts and cabarets for many years. She has appeared in dozens of musicals and plays including Sally in *Follies* and Mrs Kolotsky in *Little Green Men* at KP as well as *George Washington Slept Here, Philadelphia Here I Come, A Chorus Line, Cabaret, Stop the World, Man of La Mancha, Godspell, and John, an original musical based on the life of John F Kennedy. Susan is honored to be working with all of* 

her favorite Scream Queens here tonight. Special thanks to Scott, Jayne, and Vicki. Lots of love to Jessica, Andrew, and Evi. Dedicated to Jacob.

#### About the Directorial Staff

**Scott Martin** (Director) – Scott wrote and directed the musical *Little Green Men* which was premiered by Kentwood Players in 2008, and has written special comedy songs for the past two Marcom Masque Awards ceremonies. He directed last year's hit comedy *The Farndale Avenue...Murder Mystery* and appeared onstage as Captain Keller in this season's *The Miracle Worker*. His *Rockin' Robin Hood* is currently being presented by the Kentwood Kids workshop. Scott has many other produced musicals to his credit throughout the USA and beyond, and received an L.A. Ovation Award nomination for "Best Book" for his *Children of the Night* which premiered at the Beverly Hills Playhouse in 2009. Much love to Jayne who has made all of this possible.

**Victoria Miller** (Choreographer) – At KP, Vicki has produced, performed, directed, served on the Board and, in 29 years, choreographed 30 shows. In addition to similar work at other local theaters, she produced, choreographed and performed in many Footlighters' Charity Shows at the Beverly Hilton. Most recently, she directed *Li'l Abner* and co-produced *Parade* and *Oliver* receiving the Marcom Masque Award for each. She thanks Scott and has enjoyed working again with Susan, Alison, Jennifer and Jayne and with this amazing cast and crew of old and new friends.

#### **About the Producer**

**Susan Goldman Weisbarth** (Producer) – In addition to *Scream Queens*, Susan has produced *Tale of the Allergist's Wife*, *Hollywood Arms* and *Li'l Abner* for which she won a Marcom Masque award as Best Producer. In addition, Susan was honored with a Marcom Masque award for directing the hit show, *Gypsy*. She also directed last season's very successful production of *Annie*. In March of 2013, Susan will be directing the musical *Ragtime*, based on the novel by E.L. Doctorow. Love always to my Jacob, De and Ed.

Kentwood Players Children's Theatre Program Kentwood Kids presents Another Scott Martin Musical **Directed by Samantha Barrios** Musical Direction by Martin Feldman Produced by Drew Fitzsimmons and Melodie S. Rivers Oct 6, 13 & 20, 2012 at 11 am and 2 pm Here at the Westchester Playhouse Sideburns and ducktails invade Sherwood Forest as Robin Hood, his Merry Men, and the Sheriff of Nottingham, along with lots of assorted peasants and courtiers, meet the music of Elvis Presley. This musical melodrama promises to keep you cheering for the heroes and booing the villains as they sing songs of the 50's in their own Rockin' Robin Hood style.

### **Production Staff**

Stage Manager	Gypsy Foster
Assistant Stage Manager	
Light Operator	Russell Ham
Sound Operator	
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Cover Illustration	
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Master Builder	George Kondrick
Set Construction	Drew Fitzsimmons, Bruce Starrett
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#### **Special Thanks**

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## Kentwood Players Coming Attractions

#### Fortinbras

A Political Farce by Lee Blessing November 9 – December 15, 2012 Director: Drew Fitzsimmons

*Ragtime*, a Musical Book by Terrence McNally Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens Music by Stephen Flaherty Based on the novel, Ragtime, by E.L. Doctorow March 15 – April 20, 2013 Director: Susan Goldman Weisbarth *The 39 Steps*, a Comedy Thriller Adapted by Patrick Barlow Based on the novel by John Buchan Based on the Movie of Alfred Hitchcock January 11 – February 16, 2013 Director: Ben Lupejkis

#### About the Upcoming Shows

Full of contemporary wit and language, *Fortinbras* takes up where William Shakespeare's *Hamlet* left off. When the lights go up, Hamlet dies and Fortinbras rushes in where flights of angels fear to tread. "What's all *this*?" is his official reaction to the bodies. And no one is more tickled than he by news of the royal succession. "How many people walk in the door," says he, "and — boom, they're king?" He devises the best possible media blitz to legitimize his ascension to the throne of Denmark, but in this political farce, Kingship is just *not* all it's cracked up to be!

**The 39 Steps**, a multiple Tony Award winner, is a spy thriller with a decided comedic bent. The story, told at break neck speed by only 4 actors, follows the adventures of a British diplomat caught up in espionage and intrigue in pre-WWII England. A comic romp of astounding theatrical proportions, this evening at the playhouse should please comedy lovers and mystery aficionados equally, perhaps making one the other in the process.

Based on the 1975 novel by E. L. Doctorow, *Ragtime* tells the story of three groups in America, represented by Coalhouse Walker Jr., a Harlem musician; Mother, the matriarch of a WASP family in New Rochelle, NY; and Tateh, a Latvian Jewish immigrant. Historical figures such as Harry Houdini, Evelyn Nesbit, Booker T. Washington, J. P. Morgan, Henry Ford, Stanford White, Harry Kendall Thaw, Admiral Peary, Matthew Henson, and Emma Goldman also appear. The music includes marches, cakewalks, gospel and ragtime.

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- Pat Gunther Past President 1966-68, long-time Production Manager and Producer of many shows.
- Gloria Rosen Past President 1962-63.

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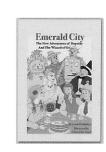
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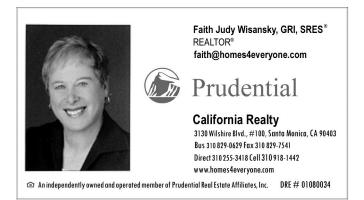


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