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OUTSIDE MULLINGAR

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CAST

Rosemary	Joanna Andrei
Tony	Samuel Perry
Aoife	Molly Galano
Anthony	Chuck Kettering

SETTING

A cattle and sheep farm outside Killucan, Ireland

RUNNING TIME

Approximately 2 hours, with a 15 minute intermission

CREATIVE TEAM

Director	Christopher Fidram
Stage Manager	Bruce Taylor
Sound & Set Design	Johnny Pecano
Lighting Design	Ellen Licitra

SPECIAL THANKS

To Noelle Bowles, Kelly Sullivan, John Cox, Jenna Cintavey, Ellen Licitra, and the perpetually indefatigable Johnny Pecano.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

I am overjoyed to bring this production of "Outside Mullingar" to local audiences. After the script fell into my hands last February, I instantly found myself in the love with the story and its colorful, boisterous and beautifully human characters.

And though it's a very Irish play, I think its themes on familial strife, midlife crises, and the power of second chances resonate with everyone.

With age and maturity, it seems we finally begin letting go of the youthful dreams and aspirations which once gave us motivation and purpose. We finally settle into our own fully developed identities, we become set in our ways, and we begin to accept life's happenstance, for better or worse. While the four characters in the play appear to have reached this point in their own lives, albeit at varying degrees, we sense there still might be some fight left in them. Whether it's due to something mystical in the fields or plain human resolve, something reminds them - and us- that every day is a chance for a new beginning, and an opportunity to find reconciliation, happiness and love.

I must thank Chuck, Joanna, Sam, Molly, and Bruce for this indelible occasion to explore and play together. It's been my honor to begin the new year in your company and amongst your gracious talents.

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Since I last directed "The Drawer Boy" at the Playhouse in 2019, the theater community lost three invaluable directors and mentors:

Joe Scarvell, David Jendre, and Dr. Dennis Henneman. I count myself among the lucky ones to have been directed by them all. Each of these men challenged me, supported me, and respected me. They were generous directors who always gave the best of themselves, and I am the better for it. We're all the better for it.

I dedicate this performance to them, and to all our families. May we all bear the courage to seek out that which our hearts most desire.

- Christopher Fidram



ARTIST PROFILES

Christopher Fidram (Director) is an award-winning actor, director and theater instructor who's been actively working on local stages for 40 years. Among his directing credits: "Over the River and Through the Woods" and "Leaving Iowa" (SCT), "The Elephant Man" and "Doubt" (Hopewell) and "Rabbit Hole," "Dinner With Friends," and "The Normal Heart" (Oakland.) At the Playhouse he directed "Circle Mirror Transformation," "Tigers Be Still," "Strange Snow" and "The Drawer Boy," in addition to teaching acting classes. On stage at the Playhouse he portrayed Rick Steadman in "The Nerd," Mozart in "Amadeus," Harry in "Mamma Mia," and Ken in "Whose Life is it, Anyway" for which he received the Arthur Award. When not involved with theater, Christopher enjoys traveling the world and has explored 5 continents. His goal is to visit a new country every year until he runs out of places to go.

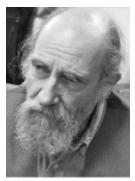
Bruce Taylor (Stage Manager) Bruce studied acting at the Jean Shelton Acting Studio, S.F.O, CA. Studied acting at the Youngstown Playhouse. Acted and sang in the chorus of *Chicago* that was performed by G.A.C.T.



Joanna Andrei (Rosemary) A 30 year theatre veteran, some of her favorite roles include Sally Bowles in *Cabaret*, Sister Mary James in *Doubt*, and Stanley in *Tuna Christmas*. Joanna's greatest accomplishment is being a mom to her 14 year old, Finlay.



ARTIST PROFILES



Samuel Perry (Tony) "I've been around a long time and done a wide variety of shows, some good, some better off forgotten. I leave it to you to determine into which category this one falls."



Chuck Kettering (Anthony) Chuck could not be happier to be reappearing on the Moyer Room stage here at the Youngstown Playhouse. After a brief break from theatre turned into a much longer hiatus thanks to a global pandemic, a return to the stage is just the tonic both he and the world need. You may have seen Chuck last year at the Hopewell Theater as Ransom Foster in The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance. Other notable

roles include R.P. McMurphy in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* for Salem Community Theater, Paul Sheldon in *Misery* for Selah Dessert Theater, *The Mystery of Irma Vep* here in the Moyer Room, David in *Strange Snow* also here in the Moyer Room, and Brick in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* at the Hopewell, to name just a few in his almost 30 year career onstage. He would like to thank everyone at the Youngstown Playhouse, the amazing cast assembled with him, Bruce our stage manager, and of course, our intrepid leader Christopher Fidram. Chuck thanks you all for attending and keeping theater thriving here in Youngstown. He dedicates his performance to his wonderful Irish mother. Slainté.



ARTIST PROFILES



Molly Galano (Aoife) Molly came to Youngstown from Jackson, Wyoming 23 years ago. Favorite roles at various theatres include, Marjorie in Marjorie Prime, Violet in August Osage County, Blanche in A Streetcar Named Desire, Vivian in Wit, Joan in The Year of Magical Thinking, Doctor in The Normal Heart, and Hannah in The Spitfire Grill. Thanks to family and friends for their love and support.

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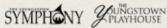
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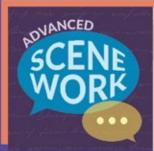


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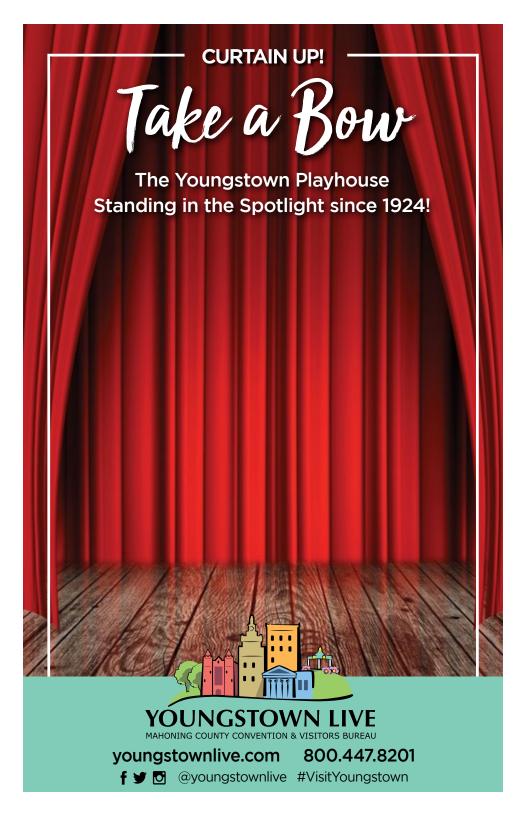


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