
THE NUFFIELD THEATRE

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licensee: A. de R. Davis

JEAN ADAMS	secretary
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ROGER McCANN	administrator
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STANLEY RIXON	technical manager
JOHN C. SMITH	chairman
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MOLLY WILSON	box office
SUE WILSON	fellow in theatre

The Nuffield Theatre would like to thank the ushers for giving their services voluntarily.

The Nuffield Theatre acknowledges financial assistance from the Southern Arts Association and the Leisure Committee of the City of Southampton towards the costs of maintaining this theatre.

In accordance with the requirements of the licensing authority:

- 1 The audience may leave at the end of the performance by all exit doors.
- 2 All gangways, corridors, staircases and passageways which afford a means of exit shall be kept entirely free from obstruction.
- 3 Persons shall not be permitted to stand or sit in any of the gangways except in positions authorised by the licensing authority and in the numbers indicated in the notices exhibited in those positions.
- 4 The safety curtain shall be lowered and raised at each performance in the presence of the audience.

The management reserves the right to refuse admission, also to make any alteration in the cast which may be rendered necessary by illness or other unavoidable causes.

The use of cameras or tape recorders in the theatre is forbidden.

the maskers theatre company



presents

“HABEAS CORPUS”

By Alan Bennett

The Maskers gratefully acknowledge financial support from the Southern Arts Association.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.....

..... WITH THE MASKERS THEATRE COMPANY

At the Maskers Theatre (Burgess Road):

"HEDDA GABLER" Henrik Ibsen classic tragedy
November 22nd to 27th
Advance booking may be made
by telephoning
SOUTHAMPTON 551273

At the Nuffield Theatre:

"THE MASKERS OLD TIME MUSIC HALL"

December 9th to 11th

All enquiries direct to the
Nuffield Theatre Box Office
Telephone: SOUTHAMPTON 555028

HABEAS CORPUS

By Alan Bennett

"Alan Bennett's HABEAS CORPUS is a real turn-up for the book. He has now written a gorgeously vulgar but densely plotted farce that is a downright celebration of sex and the human body. The effect is rather like seeing an animated McGill postcard in which the captions have been written by an elegant verbal stylist.... Bennett starts out with a set of comic stereotypes; lecherous GP, unscaleably mountainous wife, celibate Canon, flat-chested spinster, cantilevered sex-pot, invertebrate hypochondriac, and arrogant colonialist. He then sets the puppets in motion by assuming they are all in the grip of some over-riding physical obsession; the doctor by unassuageable lust, the breastless wonder by the need for uplift, the unfired canon by the loss of virginity. Identities are mistaken, wires crossed and it is typical of Bennett's method that a falsie-fitter, fresh from a crash course in Leatherhead, should stumble into the proceedings aiming his prehensile fingers at all the wrong bosoms".

Michael Billington
in the GUARDIAN

HABEAS CORPUS

The Cast

ARTHUR WICKSTEED, a General Practitioner	.....	GRAHAM BUCHANAN
MURIEL WICKSTEED, his wife	.....	AVRIL WOODWARD
DENNIS WICKSTEED, their son	.....	GRAHAM BARNES
MRS. SWABB, a cleaning lady	.....	MOLLIE MANN
CONSTANCE WICKSTEED, the Doctor's sister	.....	PHILIPPA TAYLOR
CANON THROBBING, a celibate	.....	KEN HANN
LADY RUMPERS, a white settler	.....	JEAN ROWE
FELICITY RUMPERS, her daughter	.....	ANGELA STANSBRIDGE
SIR PERCY SHORTER, a leading light in the medical profession	.....	GEOFFREY WHARAM
MR. SHANKS, a sales representative	.....	MICHAEL BRYANT
MR. PURDUE, a sick man	.....	JOHN LELLIOT

|| All scenes take place in and around the Wicksteed's house in Hove.

|| There will be one interval of twenty minutes.

Directed by Roy Tabor

For the Maskers Theatre Company

Technical Director	Ron Tillyer
Publicity	Graham Buchanan
Business Manager	Brian Stansbridge

For HABEAS CORPUS

Stage Manager	Mike Johnson
Stage Assistants	The Maskers
Lighting designed by	Derek Jones
Set Construction	Ken Spencer John Riggs Mike Johnson Alan Baker
Sound	David Tillet
Properties & Wardrobe	Chris Baker Anne Robinson Kate Summerton Georgina Williams
Production Assistant	Gillian Robert

The Company wish to thank Mr. Stanley Rixon and Mr. Derek Jones for their valuable technical assistance and advice with this production.

Thanks also to Mr. B. Adamson and the Sauna Hotel for the loan of furniture.