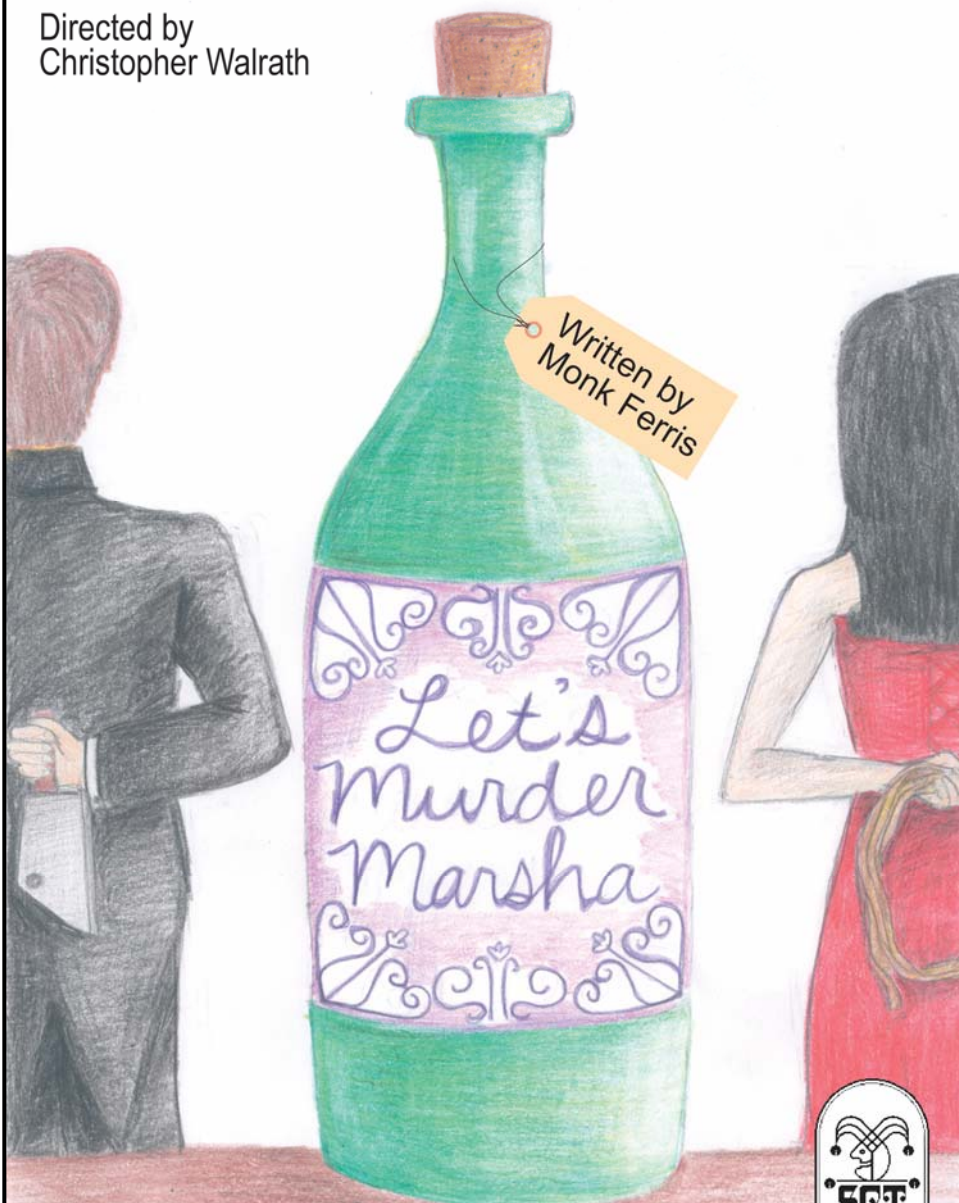


Starkville Community Theatre

presents a **mysteriously** funny **comedy** in three acts!

April 23-26 and April 28-May 2, 2009

Directed by
Christopher Walrath



Produced by Special Arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.





Let's Murder Marsha

By Monk Ferris

The Cast

(In Order of Appearance)

Marsha Gilmore	Katrina Bohn
Bianca	J'sette Belant *
Persis Devore	Kelly Truax **
Tobias Gilmore	Chris Tyer
Virgil Baxter	Jarrood Bates **
Ben Quade	Jonathan Evans *
Lynette Thoren.....	Robbie Henry *

* Making their SCT Debut

** Making their SCT Regular Season Debut

The Scene

Place

The Gilmore Midtown Apartment, Manhattan

Act I

Present Day, Early Evening

Act II

A short time later

Act III

A short time later

*This production is presented in three acts
with a 10-minute intermission between each act.*



The 2008-2009 Season is sponsored by a grant in part from the Mississippi Arts Commission
and in part from the National Endowment for the Arts.



The Production Team

Director	Christopher Walrath
Assistant Director	Anna Smith
Stage Manager	Anna Smith
Properties	Tori Lee and Cody Roman
Costumes	Sue Snow and Katrina Bohn
Lighting Design	Christopher Walrath
Lighting Operator	Hunter Smith
Set Design	Christopher Walrath
Sound Design	Christopher Walrath
Sound Operator	Hunter Smith
Artist	Luke Williamson, Dylan Karges and Roger Smith
Box Office	Bob Anderson & Marsha Williams
Reception Hostess	Joby Prince
Hair and Makeup	Jansen Fair
Poster Design	Robbie Henry

Set Construction

Christopher Walrath, Claire Belant, Mary-Kay Belant,
J'sette Belant, Kelly Truax, Joby Prince, Jarrod Bates,
Haritha Nannapaneni, Thomas La Foe,
Joe Ferguson and Carey Huser

Special Thanks

Jean Walrath Ferguson and Joe Ferguson,
Paula Mabry, Krista Vowell, Robert Anderson, Carey Huser,
Joby Prince, Pattye Archer, Thomas La Foe, Dylan Karges,
Luke Williamson, Roger Smith, Corky's Package Store,
Capatola Production, Melanie Harris and Theatre MSU,
Jim Crochet at Theatre Development Fund NY, NY,
Starkville Public Library and Brian Michaels Meat Market and Deli

About the Cast

J'sette Belant

This is J'sette's first time on the SCT stage, and she is thrilled to be there. Here. Whatever. As a new arrival to Mississippi, she is very happy there's no snow!!! She sincerely hopes everyone in the cast breaks their legs.

Jarrold Bates

Jarrold, a native of Philadelphia, Mississippi, takes this stage for a second time, after his SCT debut with last summer's musical revue, *10 of 10: The Perfect Score*. Most recently, Jarrold has been in Theatre MSU's production of *Anything to Declare?* and Lab Rats' *RatTube LIVE*, a charity benefit show for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. With a passion for improv, Jarrold is currently the short form director for Lab Rats Comedy. "Theatre is probably the most time consuming thing anyone could ever be involved with, but it's a roller-coaster ride I can't live without. Thank you, Walrath, for being an extremely patient director from whom I have learned a great deal."

Katrina Bohn

Katrina is excited to take the stage in her second SCT production. You may remember her as "Gwendolen Fairfax" in last fall's production of *The Importance of Being Earnest*. Katrina received her Bachelor's Degree in theatre from Middle Tennessee State University. She would like to thank her husband, Cody, for his support and her pug puppy, GusGus, for his enthusiasm.

Jonathan Evans

Jonathan hails from Columbus, Mississippi, by way of Ft. Campbell, Tennessee, and Nuremberg, Germany. He is a 2007 graduate of the University of Mississippi with a bachelor's degree in journalism. Currently, he is contracted as a voice talent for Typecast Audiobooks and becoming certified to teach secondary English and music. *Let's Murder Marsha* is Jonathan's debut performance with Starkville Community Theatre.

About the Cast

Robbie Henry

Robbie is an undeclared freshman at Mississippi State University. She recently played “Bobbi” in Theatre MSU's production of *Last of the Red Hot Lovers*, and she is a member of the Lab Rats Improv Comedy Troupe. *Let's Murder Marsha* is her first production at Starkville Community Theatre, and she is so thankful for the wonderful cast and crew that has made it such a wonderful experience for her.

Kelly Truax

Kelly is ecstatic to be débütting during the SCT season. She is a senior at Starkville High School and cannot wait for graduation in May. Her toes are double jointed; she is certifiably clumsy; and many agree that as each day passes she grows increasingly blinder. Also, for the record, she is not liable for what she does with her hands, and she has mounting disdain for platforms, couches, and door frames.

Chris Tyer

This is Chris' third onstage adventure with SCT, his most recent foray being “Richard” in *Lion in Winter*. Chris graduated from Mississippi State in 2004 and has since been freelance directing and teaching theatre around the U.S. in New York and Chicago, as well as several shows here in Starkville at Starkville Academy.



Director's Note

It is so good to be back behind the wheel! This show has been such a blessing for me to be a part of. I am happy to get to work with such a great group of fresh faces to the SCT stage.

Also you may notice there are paintings and photographs hanging on the set walls. After the show feel free to go on stage and look at these pieces of art. Each one has been created by local artists. If there is something you like feel free to contact the artist to inquire more about their work!

The front right of the stage on the wall are photographs by Roger Smith. The charcoal drawings on the wall over the bar are by Luke Williamson. The pastels upstage center and on the left wall are by Dylan Karges.

The artists can be contacted at:

Roger Smith www.flickr.com/photos/rogersmith/

Luke Williamson alto_river@yahoo.com

Dylan Karges dylankarges@gmail.com

Thank you and enjoy!

Christopher Walrath



Auditions Set for the Summer Musical Revue

Auditions for the 2009 Summer Musical Revue will be held
Sunday, May 3 at 4:00 p.m. and Monday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m.
on stage at the Playhouse on Main!

Those interested in auditioning will sing one of five pre-selected songs.
They will be accompanied by musical director Carole Sorenson.

For more information on auditions and copies of the pre-selected songs,
please email director Pattye Archer at parcher@library.msstate.edu.

Starkville Community Theatre is excited to present a fifth show
The Complete Works of William Shakespeare
(Abridged)

May 26-31, 2009

Shows Tuesday–Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and
Sunday at 2:00 pm

Directed by Thomas La Foe and
featuring Matt Crane, Kris Lee & Gabe Smith

Join Matt, Kris, and Gabe as they attempt to
perform *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare* (abridged). Matt's been watching his figure; Kris has been doing his homework; and Gabe...well Gabe's been keeping the other two in line (ain't that a switch!).



Be there to witness this...UNUSUAL undertaking!

Note: Not recommended for people with heart ailments, bladder problems, inner-ear disorders and/or people inclined to motion sickness!

Thoroughly
Modern
Millie jr.

Starkville Community Theatre and its Youth Theatre Guild
proudly present

Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr.

Friday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 9 at 2:00 p.m.
at the Greensboro Center

Directed by Krista Vowell
and assistant directed by Cindy Ruff with assistance from Paula Mabry

Doors open 30 minutes before show time, and tickets will be available at the door.
Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.

The production is made possible by a grant from the Mississippi Arts Commission.



Catfish MOON

by Laddy Sartin

Support SCT's Award-Winning *Catfish Moon*

Catfish Moon will perform for national acclaim during the 2009 American Association of Community Theatre Festival (AACTFest) in Tacoma, Washington, June 23-27. But first, we need your help!

How can you help? You might have noticed the display in the lobby, where you can donate money. You can also check out the website for future fundraising events! And be sure to make plans to attend our benefit performance:

Thursday, June 18, 2009
McComas Hall on the MSU Campus

WINNER!

2009 Southeastern Theatre Conference Best Production

2009 Mississippi Theatre Association Festival
J. Warren McDaniel Award for Best Production

MTA Best Director, *Kris Lee*

MTA Best Ensemble Acting

MTA Best Actor, *Paul Ruff*

MTA Best Supporting Actress, *Krista Vowell*

MTA Overall Technical Excellence

MTA Best Scenic Design