

Center Theatre Group Music Center of Los Angeles County

Mark Taper Forum

Gordon Davidson, Artistic Director
Charles Dillingham, Managing Director
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Presents

The Wood Demon

by Anton Chekhov

In a World Premiere Translation by Nicholas Saunders and Frank Dwyer
Directed by Frank Dwyer

March 27 - May 21, 1994

The Sixth Event of the 1993 - 94 Season

With THE ANTAEUS COMPANY

The Antaeus Company is an ensemble company. In this production of *The Wood Demon*, each role has been learned by at least three different actors, in a combination of sharing, alternating, covering and understudying.

The cast for this performance is as follows (in order of relationship):

Aleksander Vladimirovich Serebryakov (Sasha),
a retired professor.....**Dakin Matthews**
Yelena Andreyevna,
his wife.....**Lorraine Toussaint**
Sofya Aleksandrovna (**Sonya**),
his daughter by his first marriage.....**Nike Doukas**
Marya Vassiliyevna Voynitskaya (**Mama**),
the widow of a government minister
and mother of the professor's first wife**Anne Gee Byrd**
Yegor Petrovich Voynitsky (**Zhorzh**), her son**Lawrence Pressman**
Leonid Stepanovich **Zheltooukhin** (Lyonya),
a wealthy young landowner who studied some
engineering at the university without taking a degree**Raphael Sparge**
Yuliya Stepanovna (**Yulya**), his sister.....**Janelle Steininger**
Ivan Ivanovich Orlovsky (**Godfather**),
a neighboring landowner.....**Nicholas Saunders**
Fyodor Ivanovich Orlovsky (**Fedyia**), his son**Eric Allan Kramer**
Mikhail Lvovich Khrushchov (**Wood Demon**)
a landowner with a degree in medicine**Mark Hareluk**
Ilya Ilyich Dyadin (**Waffles**), his tenant.....**John Apicella**
Vassili, Zheltoukhin's manservant.....**Donald Sage Mackay**
Semyon, a worker at the mill**John Achorn**
Sergey Nikodimich, a guest at Zheltoukhin's party.....**Jeremy Lawrence**
Yefim, the night watchman at Serebryakov's estate**Jeremy Lawrence**
Maids to the various families**Mary Stark**

Set and Lighting Design by **D Martyn Bookwalter**

Costume Design by **Holly Poe Durbin**/Sound Design by **Jon Gottlieb**

Music Composed by **Theo Saunders**/Production Stage Manager **Jill Ragaway**

Act I

The garden on Zheltoukhin's estate. After 2:00 p.m.

Intermission.

Act II

The Serebryakov's dining room. After 1:00 a.m.

Act III

The Serebryakov's living room. Daytime.

Intermission.

Act IV

The forest. The house by the water mill. Late afternoon.

THE WOOD DEMON COMPANY



JOHN ACHORN
Semyon, Orlovsky,
Vassili, Sergey



JOHN APICELLA
Waffles, Sergey,
Yefim, Semyon



ANNE GEE BYRD
Marya Vassiliyevna



MARSHA DIETLEIN
Yulya, Sonya, Maid



NIKE DOUKAS
Sonya, Yelena



FRANK DWYER
Director,
Co-translator;
Waffles, Orlovsky,
Serebryakov



MARK HARELUK
Wood Demon



DAN KERN
Zhorzh, Fyodor,
Vassili



ERIC ALLAN KRAMER
Fyodor



JEREMY LAWRENCE
Waffles, Semyon,
Sergey, Yefim



DONALD SAGE MACKAY
Vassili, Fyodor,
Yefim, Zheltoukhin



DAKIN MATTHEWS
Serebryakov, Zhorzh



ROSE PORTILLO
Sonya, Marya
Vassiliyevna



LAWRENCE PRESSMAN
Zhorzh



NICHOLAS SAUNDERS
Co-Translator;
Orlovsky,
Serebryakov



RAPHAEL SPARGE
Zheltoukhin,
Wood Demon



MARY STARK
Maid, Marya
Vassiliyevna, Yulya,
Yelena



JANELLE STEININGER
Yulya, Maid



LORRAINE TOUSSAINT
Yelena



JOHN WALCUTT
Zheltoukhin, Wood
Demon