HAMILTON COLLEGE THEATRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

THE LAST DAYS OF JUDAS

BY STEPHEN ADLY GUIRGIS

DIRECTED BY

MARK CRYER

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APRIL 15-17

@7:30PM



The Last Days of Judas Iscariot

written by Stephen Adly Guirgis

Directed by Mark Cryer

Cast

(in order of appearance):

| Judas Iscariot | . Christian Hernandez Barragan '24 |
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| Henrietta Iscariot/Saint Pet | er Addie Dumm '22 |
| Jesus of Nazareth | Jack O'Haire '24 |
| Gloria/Mary Magdalene | Grace Friedman '23 |
| Judge/Caiaphas the Elder | Shawn Yin '22 |
| Bailiff/Simon the Zealot | Sam Selesnick '23 |
| Fabiana Aziza Cunninghan | n Rebekah Fowler '21 |
| Yusef El-Fayoumy | Cole Wright-Schaner '23 |
| Saint Monica | Ndanu Mutisya '21 |
| Church Lady 1/Uncle Pino/ | Soldier 1 Dominic Lannon '22 |
| Church Lady 2/Sister Glen | na/Soldier 2 Naomi Drew '24 |
| Church Lady 3/Soldier 3 | Brin Rockett '24 |
| Loretta/Matthias of Galilee/ | Saint Thomas Juliet Davidson '23 |
| Butch Honeywell/Sigmund | Freud Mitch Greene '22 |
| Mother Teresa | Summer Meade '24 |
| Saint Matthew/Pontius Pila | ite Jonathan Shakespeare '22 |
| Satan | Ben Leit '22 |

THE LAST DAYS OF JUDAS ISCARIOT

was originally produced by LAByrinth Theater Company,
Philip Seymour Hoffman and John Ortiz, Co-Artistic Directors
and The Public Theater,

Mara Manus, Executive Director; George C. Wolfe, Producer, February 2005.

Creative Team

Aaron Simons...... Assistant Director

D'Vaughn Agu..... Set Designer

Julia Perdue...... Costume Designer

Duncan Davies..... Lighting Designer

Jeff Larson...... Video Designer

Derek Van Heel...... Interim Production Manager / Design Mentor

Seth Reiser..... Associate Set Designer

Michael Lawrence...... Sound Engineer

Maddie Cavallino...... Dramaturg

Jay Menner...... Website Designer

Team Management

Erin Urbaniak...... Stage Manager

Maddy Howe..... Assistant Stage Manager / Props Master

Rebecca Matthews..... Assistant Stage Manager / Video Mixer

Yuhan (Violet) Shi...... Assistant Stage Manager / Camera Operator

Nicole Tichner..... Assistant Stage Manager / Costumes

Vale Medina..... Assistant Stage Manager / Costumes

Team Scenery

Raymond Ni...... Scene Shop Assistant / Props Asst.

Hannah Jablons...... Scene Shop Assistant / Run Crew

Genny Cohen...... Scenic Artist

Scout Winer..... Scenic Art Asst.

Helen Ziobrowski...... Scene Shop Crew

Divyam Karuri...... Scene Shop Crew

Fiona Duckworth...... Scene Shop Crew

Jack Diligent...... Scene Shop Crew

James Coomey...... Shop Work Crew

Mckela Kanu..... Shop Work Study

Team Costumes

| Lilia Harlan | Assistant Costume Designer |
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| Justin Chan | Costume Shop Assistant |
| Rachel O'Brien | Costume Shop Assistant |
| Dylan Badillo | Costume Shop Assistant |
| Nicole Tichner | Costumes Assistant / ASM |
| Vale Medina | Costumes Assistant / ASM |
| Allison Babbitt | Costume Shop Work Study |

Team Lighting

| Eric Nahm | Asst. Lighting Designer/Master Electrician |
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| Sabrina Broderick | Lighting Programmer and Operator / Electrician |
| Emma Bowman | Lighting Programmer and Operator / Electrician |
| Olivia Batal | Electrician |

Team Video & Sound

| Ryan Mayhan | Sequences Sequences |
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| Rebecca Matthews | Assistant Video Designer - Live Broadcast Video Mixer |
| David Williams | Associate Sound Engineer |
| Huzair Latif | Camera Operator |
| Maya Nguyen-Haberneski | Camera Operator |
| Yuhan (Violet) Shi | Camera Operator |
| Olivia Batal | Sound Mixer |

Theatre Department Staff

| Production Manager | Jeff Larson |
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| Technical Director | Thomas Marhenke |
| Costume Shop Supervisor | Julia Perdue |
| Production Coordinator | Maria Maier |
| Assistant Costume Coordinator | Sarah McCullough |

Special Thanks

Forrest Warner and the entire AV Team
Doug Higgins, Bret Olsen from LITS
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Ken's Auto Transport
Bliss Environmental Services

Director's Note

To say I grew up in the church would be an understatement; I lived in the church. Five nights a week were split between various choir rehearsals and bible study, with three separate services on Sundays. I also was Sunday School Secretary. I've had the same bible for over fifty years and have read each word written there.

So, when I first read "The Last Days of Judas Iscariot," I was captivated by the philosophical and theological questions it raised as well as the language and characters playwright Stephen Adly Guirgis created to ask the relevant questions presented in this play - about God's infinite love or God's righteous judgement and vengeance. What happened to Judas Iscariot, perhaps the most infamous traitor in history?

The question of Judas Iscariot's fate was never a question in my church teachings and yet it is the central question Guirgis poses and then provides no answer. Which is more powerful, God's love or God's vengeance? Are they mutually exclusive? Can one exist without the other? Did fate preordain Judas's betrayal of Christ, or was the choice his? For over two months, the cast has grappled with these questions and, like the playwright who offers no answers, neither do we. Like the playwright, we offer the questions for you, the audience, to answer: God's infinite love or God's righteous justice? What happened to Judas Iscariot? Is he in heaven or hell, or languishing in Purgatory, awaiting his final judgment?

Many thanks to the cast and crew for your long hours of hard work and dedication. My thanks to Erin Urbaniak, my stage manager, Aaron Simons (not to be confused with Erin!), my assistant director and interpreter/translator, to Maddie Cavallino for her research, to Duncan Davies and his mad lighting skills, to Jeff Larson and Tom Marhenke, whose work ethic are truly legendary, to Sarah Walsh, Craig Latrell, Jeanne Willcoxon, Maria Maier, Julia Perdue, D'Vaughn Agu, Seth Reiser and Derek Van Heel for your invaluable help. My thanks also go to President David Wippman, Dean of Faculty Suzanne Keen, Dean of Students Terry Martinez and Government Professor Phil Klinkner for allowing us to use their images. Finally, thanks to my wife Kim for putting up with my endless questioning about this play.

Dedicated to the memory of George Floyd

<u>Upcoming events</u> Senior Projects in Theatre

Broadcast at 7 PM

| Duncan Davies | April 22 & 23 | Talking Chairs by Charles Mee |
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| Danielle Hirsch | May 3-4 | Medea Redux by Neil Labute |
| Lizzie Ely | May 3-4 | Vagina Monologues by Eve Ensler |
| Emily Midgley | May 5 | Devised piece |
| Jack Clark | May 5 | The Bear by Anton Chekhov |
| Ndanu Mutisya | May 6-7 | The Winner by Amy Berryman |
| Kenny Letts & Gus Gonzales | May 6-7 | Eat the Taste by Greg Kotis |
| Lily Delle-Levine | May 9-10 | Trifles by Susan Glaspell |