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THE PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLER BY FREDERICK KNOTT ADAPTED BY JEFFREY HATCHER



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APRIL 5, 6, 12, 13 AT 7:30PM APRIL 14 AT 5:30PM

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WAIT UNTIL DARK, adapted by Jeffrey Hatcher, was originally produced by the Geffen Playhouse. Randall Arney, Artistic Director; Ken Novice, Managing Director; Behnaz Ataee, General Manager; Regina Miller, Chief Development Officer



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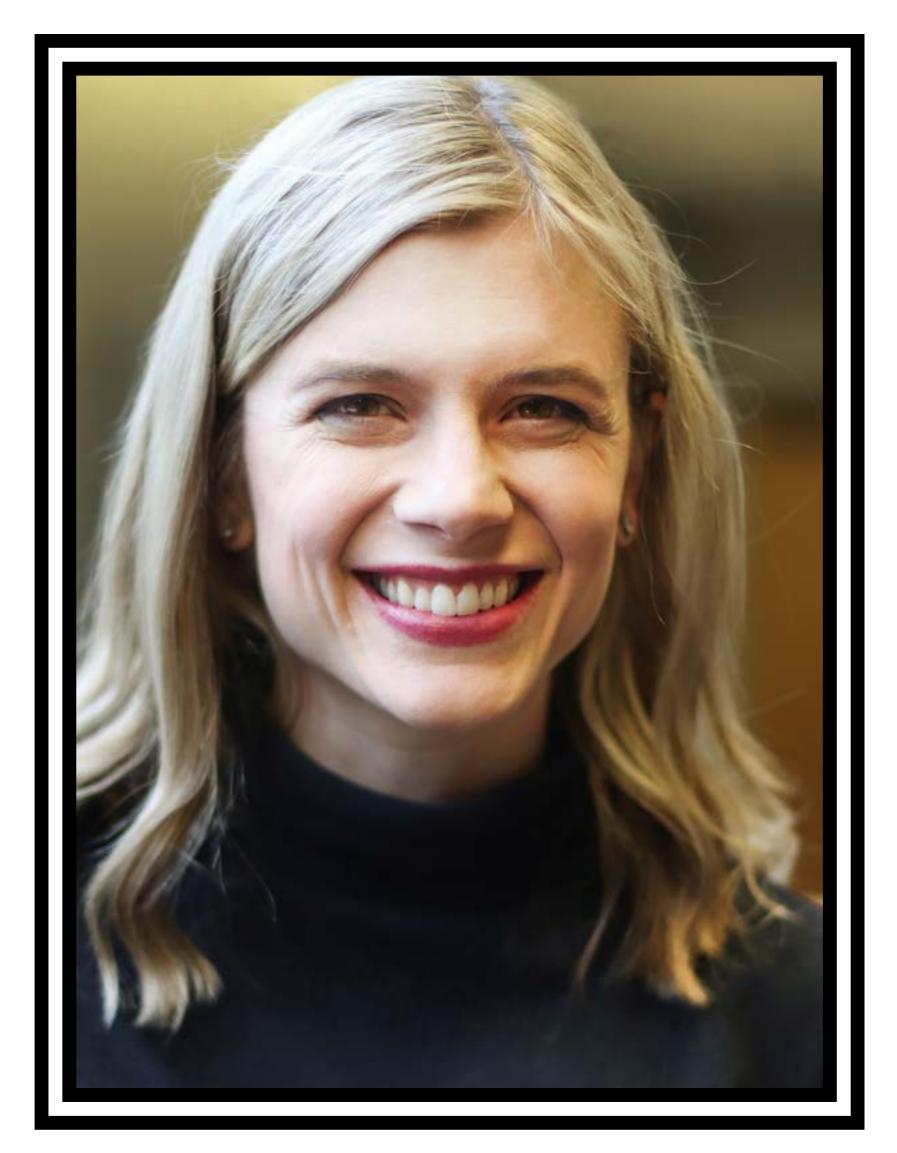
A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Like any good thriller, Wait Until Dark not only has twists, turns, and terrors, but a story worth telling, with characters worth rooting for. At its core is a young woman realizing her strength and resilience, and the proof that sometimes our "weakness" can be our greatest strength.

We hope this show makes you laugh, cry, and keeps you on the edge of your seat!

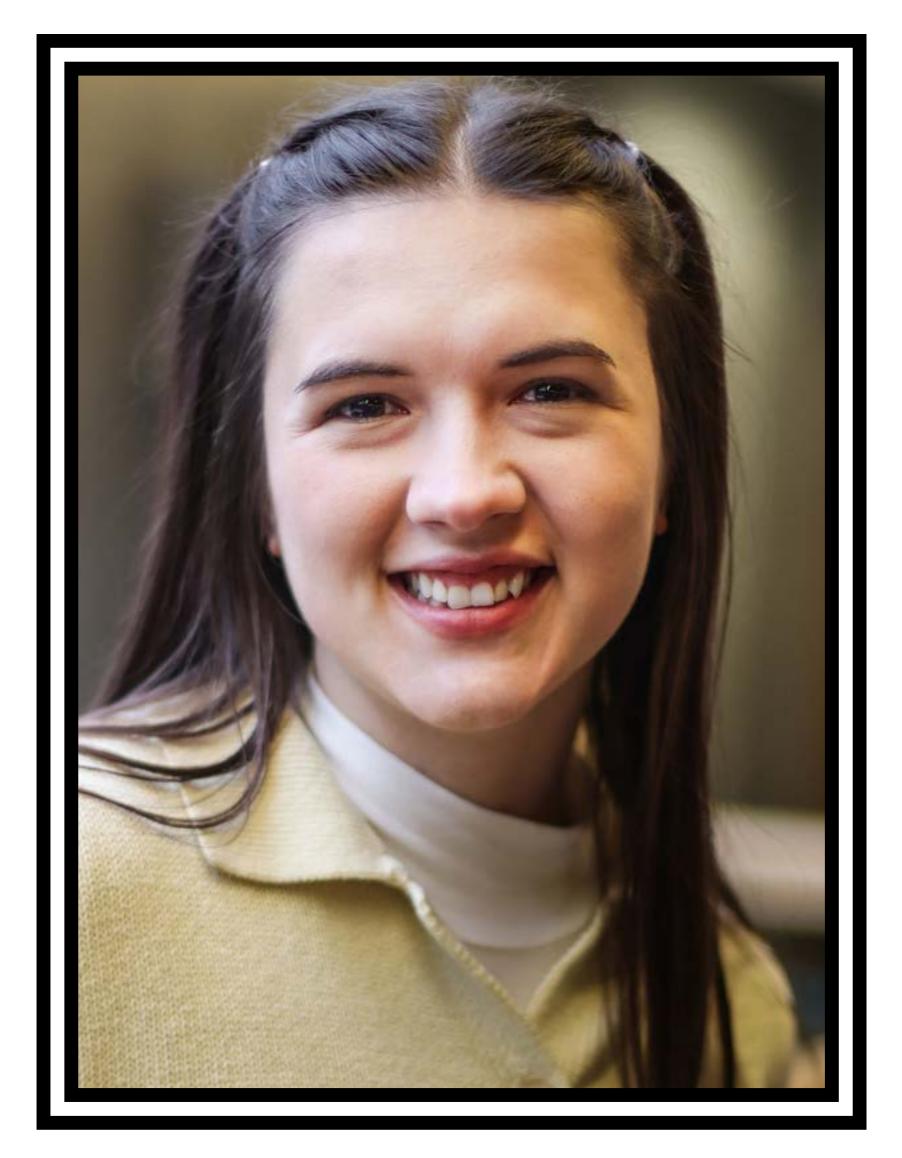
Thank you to Judy for welcoming me out to Fargo with your warmth, kindness, and staggering generosity, and to the whole FMCT team, board of directors, and friends of the theatre for your extraordinary welcome and support. Thank you to the crew for your tireless work in making this show look, feel, and sound absolutely beautiful. (I mean, look at that stage, right? The set, the lights, the costumes – a masterpiece!) Thank you to the incredible cast – Abigail, Ace, Cody, Cord, Dave, and Rachel, and to our stage manager, Miranda. Your enthusiasm and investment in this show have been the foundation to the wonderful production this has grown to be. It's been a pleasure getting to know each of you personally and in your work. Squad goals, and we make a killer tape-ball team.

Finally, thank YOU for coming to see the show today! It has been such a joy stepping into the loving community of Fargo-Moorhead. Your support of the arts, and each other, is beautiful and breathtaking.



RACHEL REBISCHKE Susan

Rachel Rebischke is thrilled to return to the FMCT Mainstage after taking a break for a few seasons to focus on her new role of being a mom. Since moving to Fargo in 2016, she has performed in over a dozen plays, musicals, and murder mysteries in the FM community. Favorite roles have been Karen Andre in The Night of January the 16th, the Beggar Woman in Sweeney Todd, Lisa in Mamma Mia! and the title role in My Sister Eileen (FMCT's 75th Anniversary Readers Theatre production). Rachel is passionate about arts education, and enjoys teaching and directing when she is not onstage.



ABIGAIL VOGELER
GLORIA

Abigail Vogeler is a recent graduate of Concordia College with a degree in Theatre Art and Biology. Her past shows at FMCT include The Hello Girls (Helen Hill), It's a Wonderful Life (Violet Bick), and Junie B. Jones (Lucille). Outside of performing, she teaches adaptive theatre classes on the weekends and works as the Marketing Specialist at The Village Family Service Center, and enjoys dancing, hanging out with friends, disability advocacy, picking up random hobbies only to forget about them, and playing with her cat Gunther.



CODY ROWE SAM

Cody is glad to be a part of this group of talented actors. When he isn't acting, he is directing middle and high school theatre in the Fargo-Moorhead area. He would like to thank his students for all they have taught him, and the amazing people in the FM theatre community that he gets to call friends.



DAVE BRUNSVOLD

MIKE

Dave Brunsvold is a versatile actor who has brought a range of captivating characters to the stage. From the charming con artist Freddy Benson in Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, to the whimsical and eccentric Mrs. Bumbrake in Peter and the Starcatcher, and the mysterious Talmadge in Zara Spook and Other Lures, each role showcases his depth and skill. Absent from the stage, Dave enjoys spending time reading, gaming, and spending time with his family and friends.



CORD REDDING ROAT

Cord is so excited to have hopped off the train back from Scarsdale to be hitting FMCT's stage once more for "Wait Until Dark" as Roat! This thrilling script has been a blast to work on, and he can't wait to show it to you! Cord graduated from NDSU with a Bachelor's in Computer Science and Minors in Strategic Communications and Women's/Gender Studies, and is a Geek Squad Field Tech by trade. You may have recently seen him in Goosebumps (Zeke Matthews), The Hello Girls (Lt. Ernest Wessen), First Date (Waiter), and All Childish Things (Max Farley). In his free time, Cord loves listening to choir music in surround sound, getting dinner with his partner, and taking cute little naps that turn into 9hour sleep sessions. He would like to thank his castmates, his friends, his partner Ashley, and all others he keeps close. And, as always, much love to his mother, Patti. He does not know what he did to deserve you.



ACE BAKER-STEELE CARLINO

This is Ace's second show with FMCT. His first show was this past fall's production of Goosebumps: The Musical, where he played the role of Student #3. He is thrilled to be a part of this production and hopes you enjoy the show!

PRODUCTION TEAM:

Director	Josie Eli Herman
Stage Manager	Miranda Pautzke
Artistic Director	Judy Lewis
Lighting & Sound Design	Rick Lewis
Set Designer, Props	Anna Kann
Costume designer	Gina Bar-El
Scenic Painter	Kate Aarness

FMCT STAFF:

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Technical Assistant Konner Doucette
Scenic charge & educator Kate Aarness
Finance Manager Kim Rensvold
Executive Assistant Kayla Rice

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Perry Rust Jacob Hartje
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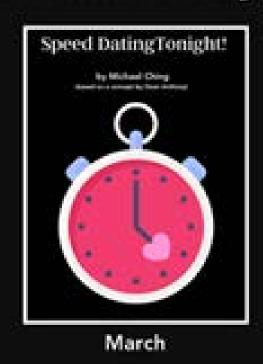




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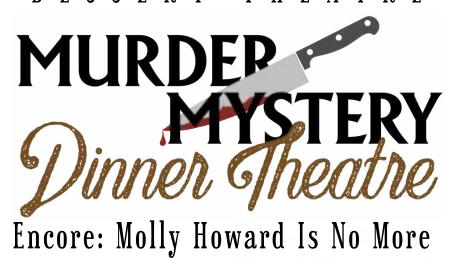
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2023-2024 sessions

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Registration opens March 2

Summer Sessions now open for registration.
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Beloved children's books serve as the foundation for dramatic adventures. Students will work together to create new characters, situations, and exciting opportunities for creative and heroic problem solving!

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Students will tackle fun, challenging harmonies and choreography. Through discipline and artistic expression, students will develop their performance skills in a multidisciplinary environment.

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4th - 8th grade * 6th - 12th grade

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"Little Shop of Horrors" Summer'22

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Adult Acting

ages 16+

Explore core principles of acting, voice, movement, objectives, obstacles, theatre vocabulary, and the importance of risk-taking and ensemble building.

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Theatre education embraces many aspects of curriculum: English, History, Science, Social Studies, Math, Music, and more. Through stories, character development, problem-solving, peer collaboration and critical thinking, students explore these areas of curriculum in order to creatively exist within the world of a play.

The goal at FMCT Ed is to expand upon a student's frame of reference and teach them to make connections between the theatre they create and the world in which they live. Students learn to collaborate with peers, connect with people from differing backgrounds, and begin to see themselves as valued citizens on the world's stage where they develop important ideas about justice, history, personal choice and humanity.

Through programs like "On The Road", "Silver Follies", Saturday Education Class sessions as well as Summer Musical Productions and Camps, FMCT is proud to offer exceptional year-round educational programs featuring a variety of classes and performance opportunities for individuals of *all* ages and experience levels.



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"With the establishment of a Community Theater, residents of Fargo-Moorhead now share with people in many other cities of the nation the opportunity to regularly see offerings of the legitimate theater. With continuation of the present support the Theater will soon find its permanent place in our community.

The Theater was organized in February after several meetings of people with varying interests and backgrounds but a common interest in the stage; there were potential actors, designers of costumes and scenery, stagehands, directors, makeup artists, house managers, producers—and some folks who just liked to see plays. Each was able to contribute something to the development of a well-rounded organization. A play was selected, a director secured and production started. Public response to ticket sales already assures the Theater of being self supporting...

...it is the purpose of the Theater to present professionally produced legitimate stage plays for the entertainment of patrons, to provide opportunities for those people who are interested in working in the theater either as a hobby or preliminary to a professional career and to make these opportunities available to everyone without regard to race, creed, color or position in life."