

Upcoming School of Drama Productions

10 Minute Play Festival

directed by Tamara Fisch, Daniel Cohen and Mark Jenkins
May 22 – June 5, 2005

This evening of snack-sized plays provides more than its fair share of food for thought. The UW School of Drama's popular festival of ten minute plays returns for a fourth season to satisfy any play-goer's appetite for theatre.

Selections from Next Season's Schedule

Mother Courage

by Bertolt Brecht
featuring Robyn Hunt

The Cherry Orchard

by Anton Chekhov
directed by Leonid Anisimov

Language of Angels

by Naomi Iizuka
directed by Daniel Cohen

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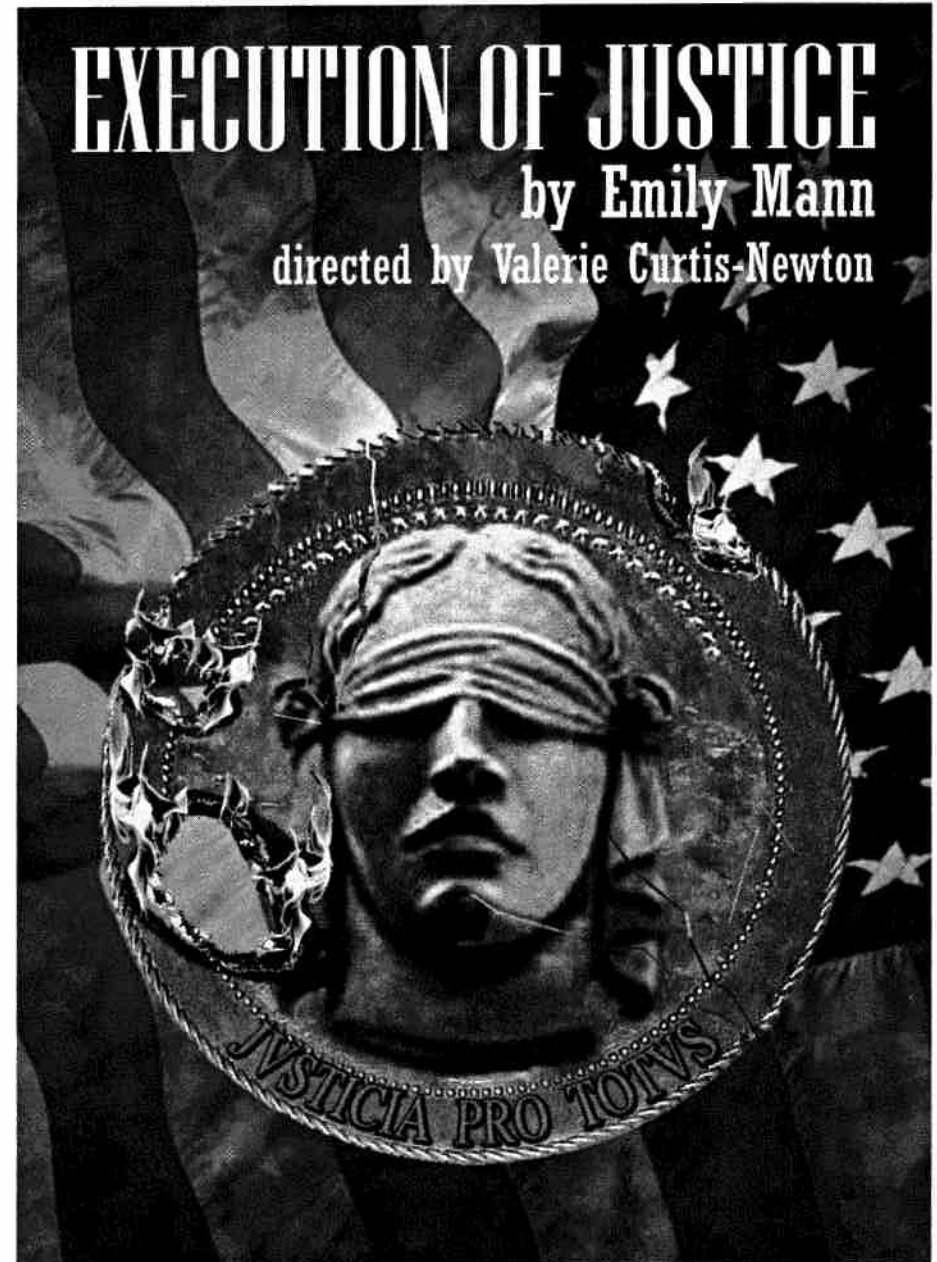
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DIRECTOR'S NOTES

In trying to find the words to describe our work on *Execution of Justice*, I was lucky to stumble once again on the words of director Oskar Eustis, in his foreword to the published edition of the play:

"*Execution of Justice* is a traumatic memory but the trauma is not that of an individual but of an entire city. Early on in the process of developing the play, Mann made the crucial choice to focus on the trial rather than the murders as the central event of the play. In doing so, she found her title and focused her theme: rather than exploring the character of the victims or even the motivations and psychology of the killer, Emily chose to focus on what could have led a group of jurors to decide that the cold-blooded executions of their mayor and a city supervisor, at City Hall, were crimes worthy of a maximum jail sentence of seven years...The play was to become the trial that should have happened, and the actual playing of the script every night became the traumatic reliving of the trial, structured the way we remember traumatic events: memory interrupted by bitter commentary, obsessive hoping for a different result, analysis and emotion stirred into an unbearable mix because the simple fact of what happened cannot be remembered in tranquility ... Justice may not always be possible in the courts, the play seems to argue, but at least the Theater is here to remind us of what Justice is and should be."

For Further Reading

Testimonies: Four Plays by Emily Mann (NY: TCG, 1997).

The Mayor of Castro Street: the Life and Times of Harvey Milk, by Randy Shilts (NY: St. Martin's P, 1982).

Double Play: The San Francisco City Hall Killings, by Mike Weiss (Reading: Addison-Wesley P, 1984).

This production of *Execution of Justice* includes community outreach through a showing of the documentary film, *The Life and Times of Harvey Milk*, and additional education materials.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to **Floyd and Delores Jones**, whose generous contribution made it possible to reach an extended community audience.

Additional donors include Ter Claeys, Michael Greer, M.D., W. Michael Harris, and Gerry Kunkel.

We are grateful to our donors for their support of this production!

Cast

Dan White Alex Fox*
Mary Ann White Lenne Klingaman*
Cop Ryan Barret
Sister Boom Boom Connell Brown*

CHORUS OF UNCALLED WITNESSES

White's Jailer, **Jim Denman** Suzanne Hughes
Young Mother Lada Vishtak*
Milk's Friend Brian Lange
Vice President of the Harvey Milk Democratic Club, **Gwenn Craig** Georgia Southern*
Milk's Successor as Supervisor, **Harry Britt** Brendan WH Callahan
Joseph Freitas, D.A. Ben Medina
Mourner Ben Medina

TRIAL CHARACTERS

The Court David Bales
Court Clerk Lada Vishtak*
Douglas Schmidt Chance Mullen*
Thomas F. Norman Barzin Akhavan*
T.V. Reporter, **Joanna Lu** Macah Coates*
Prospective Jurors April Wolfe*, Brendan WH Callahan
Juror #3 / Foreman Luke Stanhope*

WITNESSES FOR THE PEOPLE

Coroner Stephens Caitlin Clouthier
Deputy Mayor & Moscone's Friend,
Rudy Nothenberg Jesse Parce
Reporter, **Barbara Taylor** Suzanne Hughes
Department of Records' Officer **Byrne** Georgia Southern*
Civil Engineer, **William Melia** Brian Lange
Mayor's Secretary, **Cyr Copertini** April Wolfe*
Harvey Milk's Aide, **Carl Henry Carlson** Ben Medina
Harvey Milk's Assistant, **Richard Pabich** Connell Brown*
Inspector of Homicide, **Frank Falzon** Luke Stanhope*
Inspector, **Edward Erdelatz** Ryan Barret

WITNESSES FOR THE DEFENSE

Aide to Dan White, **Denise Apcar** Lada Vishtak*
Fire Chief, **Sherratt** Jesse Parce
Fireman, **Frediani** Brendan WH Callahan
Police Officer, **Sullivan** Connell Brown*
City Supervisor, **Lee Dolson** Ryan Barret
Psychiatrists: **Dr. Jones** Jesse Parce
Dr. Solomon Suzanne Hughes
Dr. Blinder Brendan WH Callahan
Dr. Lunde Brian Lange
Dr. Delman Luke Stanhope*

IN REBUTTAL FOR THE PEOPLE

City Supervisor, **Carol Ruth Silver** Caitlin Clouthier
Psychiatrist, **Dr. Levy** Macah Coates*
Riot Police Ryan Barret, Ben Medina, April Wolfe*
Action Cameraman Ryan Jones

*Members of the *Professional Actor Training Program* (PATP)

THE TIME: 1978 to 1985
THE PLACE: San Francisco
THE WORDS COME FROM: Trial Transcripts, Reportage
and Interviews

There will be one 10-minute intermission between Acts I and II.

EXECUTION OF JUSTICE was presented on Broadway by Lester and Marjorie Osterman and Mortimer Caplin in association with Norton & Stark, Ind.

Professional premiere at the Actors Theatre of Louisville

Originally commissioned by the Eureka Theatre Company, San Francisco.

Excerpt from the Academy Award-winning film *The Times of Harvey Milk*, courtesy of Telling Pictures Inc.