





Dear Friends.

LVAC Theatre Guild, Inc., welcomes you to an evening with the flamboyant "Auntie Mame", our second production of the 1989-90 season. I would guess that deep within even the most proper and sedate individual lies at least a bit of the uninhibited Mame, with her zest for life, enthusiasm for new experiences and strength to do what needs to be done in a crunch.

Your presence here tonight encourages us in our aim to promote the theatre arts and offer entertainment of the highest quality to the community. The Guild's dream for the future is a home of its own, and toward that end the Board of Directors has committed 1/3 of the profit from each show to a building fund.

Also, we are offering sponsorships which will go fully into that fund. We invite you to choose your contribution level from the description titles below and join hands with us in the realization of our dream:

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We hope you leave tonight feeling fully entertained, with renewed zest, enthusiasm and strength for enjoying life, inspired by our "Auntie Mame".

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# presents Auntie Mame

### Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee

Based on the best-selling novel by Partick Dennis

# CAST

NAME

**PART** 

Nora Muldoon......Sherrie Farabee Patrick Dennis, as a boy......Jeremy Guy Ito......Bill Okuma Vera Charles......Hope Ince Osbert.....Alex Penn Ralph Devine......Delane Blankenship Bishop Eleftharoses......Charles Green M. Lindsay Wollsey.....Ernie Whitlow Auntie Mame.....Joanne Griner Mr. Waldo, a paper hanger......Dennis Seereiter Mr. Babcock.....Hugh Brown Stage Manager......Winona Hodges Theatre Manager......Valerie Varn Assistant Stage Manager.....Liz Foster A Maid.....Kelly Wingrove A Butler.....Roland Chisolm A Leading Man.....Delane Blankenship Lord Dudley.....Ernie Whitlow Young Customers.....Nikki Paulson Cris Okuma Mike Varn. II Davey Ince

#### **PART**

### NAME

Mr. Loomis, A floor walker	Alex Penn
Beauregard Jackson Pickett Burnsid	eJohn Eldrige
Cousin Jeff	
Cousin Fan	
Cousin Moultrie	Charles Green
Sally Cato MacDougal	
A Shopper	
A Girl	Mary Fave Paffhausen
Radcliff	Liz Foster
Emory	
Mother Burnside	Winona Hodges
Groom	
Dr. Shurr, a vet	
Patrick Dennis, a young man	
Agnes Gooch	
Brian O'Bannion	Jason Avery
Gloria Upson	Tammy Crowe
Mrs. Doris Upson	
Mr. Claude Upson	
Pegeen Ryan	
Michael Dennis	
A Man	Delane Blankenshir
A Woman	
A Man	
Off-stage Voices	

# SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

The action of the play takes place in Auntie Mame's Beekam Place apartment and various other locales in which she becomes involved over a period of years from 1928 to 1946.

#### PRODUCTION STAFF

Director	Frank R. Steele
	Mary Ann Green
Stage Manager	Christie Woods
Asst. Stage Manager	Winona Hodges
	Dan Hanafan, Cliff Dix,
•	Tim Hilton, Charles Green
Set Construction/Painting	gTim Hilton, Charles Green,
Malcolm Rainey,	Dennis Seereiter, Patrick Reymann,
	Nix, Brian Wingrove, Dorothy Roby,
Dale Lawr	ence, Debbi Hart, Sherrie Farabee,
	Green, Charlie Oliver, Hugh Brown,
	son Avery, Kay Jennett, Lisa Kunert,
	Patricia Tomlinson
Lights	Pete Ganas
	Pete Ganas
Stage Crew	Entire Company
Props	Winona Hodges, Christy Woods
Make-Up/ Hair Styles	Steve Heddon, Katrina Heddon,
	Danny McCrannie of Styles by Ken
Costumes	Annette O'Neal, Grace Riggs
Program Chairman	Debbi Barnard
Tickets	Cheryl Paulson
	Cathy Gilbert
	Sherrie Farabee

THE TAKING OF PHOTOGRAPHS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

#### WHO'S WHO IN THE COMPANY

JASON AVERY (Brian O'Bannion) recently arrived from England after graduating from Lakenheath High School. Even though he's had 4 years in theatre, it wasn't until his senior year that Jason decided to make it his career. He plans to attend VSC in January to pursue his major in drama. Jason loves to make people laugh and thinks a career on stage or in front of a camera would be the most fulfilling way to reach the most people.

DELANE BLANKENSHIP ( Ralph Devine; A Leading Man; A Man ) is appearing on stage for the first time in this production after serving as assistant stage manager in <a href="They're Playing Our Song">They're Playing Our Song</a>. In his spare time, Delane enjoys horses, hunting, fishing, and anything to do with car racing!

HUGH BROWN (Mr. Babcock) played percussion in the Theatre Guild's last production They're Playing Our Song. He works for Med Tran Services, Inc., as dispatcher and driver manager. Hugh enjoys fishing, working outdoors, plants and travel. This is first acting experience.

ROLAND CHISOLM (A Butler; Dr. Shurr, a vet) has been interested in theatre since grade school. He was last "heard" as the off-stage voice of Phil in <a href="They're Playing Our Song">They're Playing Our Song</a>. Roland is employed by Joseph Foodservice.

TAMMY CROWE (Gloria Upson) is a sixteen-year-old junior at Valdosta High School where she is involved in a variety of activities including Debate Club, Beta Club, and Drama Club. This is her first involvement in community theatre in: Valdosta. However, is her previous home in Columbus, Ohio, she appeared as MacDuff's older son and the Second Apparition in a community theatre production of MacBeth, and in a variety of productions for Columbus Junior Theatre of the Arts.

CLIFF DIX (Emory) Hails from Albany Georgia, and is a 21 year old VSC Junior, majoring in Art. His hobbies include photography and drawing. He is employed by Waldenbooks. His family includes one sister, two step-sisters, a step-brother, and a dog.

JOHN ELDRIDGE (Beauregard Jackson Pickett Burnside) is a local realtor and land developer. Married with five children, he came to appreciate the theatre and the arts as a grade school child while taking speech from Dorothy Cater Pearlman. John's most recent role was the part of the Tax Assessor in the HBO movie <u>As Summers Die.</u>

SHERRIE FARABEE (Norah Muldoon) has spent the last eight years involved in college and community theatre, primarily in directing and technical roles. This will be her first time on stage in four and a half years. A substitute teacher, Sherrie's hobbies are writing children's stories, reading, crocheting, and developing acting and storytelling programs for children. She was director of the Theatre Guild production of <u>The Mousetrap</u>.

ELIZABETH FOSTER (Raddif; Assistant Stage Manager) is appearing for the first time in a Theatre Guild production. A junior at Valdosta High School, she is active in many school and social clubs.

LYDIA FREEMAN (Agnes Gooch) is active in many school clubs at VSC. She is interested in a career in entertainment and enjoys all aspects of the theatre, from acting to set construction. She also spends time singing, song writing, dancing, and socializing with pals. Some of the roles Lydia has played include Dawes, Sr. on Mary Poppins and Mr. Darling in Peter Pan.

CHARLES GREEN (Cousin Moultrie, Bishop Eleftharosees) is employed by Lane Architecture Services as an architect, landscape architect, and golf course architect. His hobbles include golf, skiing, scuba diving, hunting, and fishing. Charles is also a big Bulldog fan. Go Dawgs!

MARY ANN GREEN (Producer) is the Department Manager of the South Georgia Medical Center Blood Bank. For the last ten years she has worked as drama coach, instructor, teacher, and "gopher" at Valwood School. Mary Ann's husband Charles plays the Lithuanian priest in this production and says that she is "Busy, yes - but having the time of my lifet".

JOANNE GRINER (Auntie Mame) first appeared on the Valdosta stage as Mrs. Boyle in The Mousetrap, the Theatre Guild's premier production in April. She is a native of Adel, graduated from FSU with a degree in drama, and lived in Connecticut for 18 years before returning to South Georgia four years ago. Joanne works in the accounting department at Dowling Bag Company and serves as President of the Theatre Guild. Her three children are grown and live in Arizona, New Jersey, and Smyrna, Georgia. When not "emoting", Joanne enjoys singing in the Perimeter Road Baptist Church Choir, flower arranging, and social dancing.

JEREMY GUY (Patrick Dennis, as a boy Micheal Dennis) had his tenth birthday last week. His hobbies are playing the recorder and gymnastics. Though his uncle is a professional in the theatre this is Jeremy's Theatre debut.

DEBBI HART (Cousin Fan) is Assistant Chemistry Supervisor in the laboratory at South Georgia Medical Center. She also works as a Mary Kay beauty consultant. Debbi was active is drama in high school and in college in Kentucky. She recently appeared as one of Sonya's egos in <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhen.com/">They're Playing Our Song</a>. Debbi is Publicity Chalrperson for the Theatre Guild.

WINONA HODGES ( A Stage Manager; Mother Burnside) is a Valdosta native currently enrolled at VSC. She is a graduate of Valwood School where she delighted local audiences with portrayal of Elvira in Blithe Spirit", Ella Delahay in "Charlie's Aunt", Karen Andre in the "The Night of January 16th", and as the nurse in "Medea".

DAVEY INCE (a young customer) makes his "debut" tonight as a shopper in the Macy's scene. It's a role he assumes naturally. As David & Hope's son & Meredith's brother, Davey comes to the stage in self defense....his whole family seems to be there.

HOPE INCE (Vera Charles) has appeared most recently as Sonia in the Theatre Guild production of They're Playing Our Song. Other roles include those in Brigadoon, Once Upon a Matress, and Our Fair Lady. When not on stage, Hope is a secretary, wife to David, and mom to Meredith and Davey.

MEREDITH INCE (Pegeen Ryan) work's for her parents at Promenade Books. A horse lover, Merdith's hobbies include art and reading. She has appeared in several VSC productions, including <u>Carusel</u>, <u>The Music Man</u>, and <u>The Miracle Worker</u>. Meredith was the stage manager in the Theatre Guild production of <u>They're Playing Our Sona</u>.

KAY JENNETT (Mrs. Doris Upson) grew up in Ohio where she studied art and worked as a commercial artist and fashion illustrator before moving to Atlanta and then on to Valdosta with husband, Jerry, several cats, a and two golden retreivers. In her spare time, Kay enjoys travel, reading, needlepoint, and roller skating.

BILL OKUMA (Ito) originally from Hawaii, has made Valdosta his home since 1970. He has been married to Louise for the past 37 years and has five children and seven grandchildren. Bill acquired a B.S. degree in resource management from Troy State University and is now Director of MIS/Data Processing at South Georgia Medical Center. His interests include, Church, family, and community service. Auntie Mame is Bill's first attempt is theatre.

CRIS OKUMA( A Young Customer) is the son of Aaron & Lorraine Okuma and Grandson of "I to". Cris is ten years old and attends West Gordon School, where he is in the fifth grade. Cris is "Made in Japan" where his father was in the U.S. Air Force stationed at Yokota AB, this is Cris's first acting experience.

MARY FAYE PAFFHAUSEN (A Girl) is a construction secretary at Standard Construction, inc. Her hobbies include crafts and working in her flower garden. Mary also enjoys singing in her church choir. She has three children and two grandchildren.

NIKKI PAULSON (A Young Customer) is 10 years old and an A student at Lanier County Middle School. This is her first time on stage with the LVAC Theatre Guild, although she has appeared on stage the past three years in the Nutcracker with the Dance Arts. Besides dance, she studies the piano and has recently begun the study of the violin. She sings with the children's choir at church and has participated in three musical productions presented by this choir. She is the daughter of Cheryl Paulson, who coordinated ticket sales for this production. She has one brother, Jack, 4.

ALEXANDER PENN (Osbert; Mr. Loomis; a floor walker;) is a native Valdostan but has traveled extensively, including a 3 year period in the orient. A 13-year-old eighth grader at Valwood, Alexander's favorite subject is algebra. He enjoys horseback riding, swimming, tennis, reading, singing, and acting. While in the sixth grade, Alexander played for the role of "Baby John" in <u>West Side Story</u> at the local college in Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

JIM RINEHART (Cousin Jeff; Mr. Claude Upson) is in the Air Force stationed at Moody AFB. He also attends Valdosta State College where he is seeking a degree in accounting. Jim would like to sing professionally, but for now hones is vocal talents in the Chancel Choir at the Bemiss Road United Methodist Church and at weddings. During his childhood Jim had roles in Gypsy and Life With Father, and thanks the Theatre Guild for helping him further develop his acting talent in this production.

DENNIS SEEREITER(Mr. Waldo, a paper hanger; A Man; Off-stage voices) is a self-employed computer consultant whose hobbies include travel, photography, diving, and hiking/backpacking.

FRANK STEELE (Director) is a choral director and active in community theatre. He has directed, appeared in, and played for many productions, the last being <u>Little Shop of Horrors</u>.

DENISE STEPTOE (Sally Cato MacDougal) is a Jr. High language arts teacher and high school drama teacher at Echols County School. She has appeared in theatre productions throughout her high school and college years and has performed in several community theatre productions in Fitzgerald, Georgia. Denise has also performed in one VSC production and has taught drama to children in the VSC Scope Program. Her favorite roles included Carrie Pipperidge in Carosel, Ellie Mae Chipley in Showboat, and Ado Annie in Oklahoma.

RUSTY TOMILSON (Groom) this is Rusty's first experience in the theatre. He works at Ace Electric, and enjoys fishing and working on his truck.

MIKE VARN, II (A young Customer) is 4 Years old. He attends Francis Lake Baptist Church preschool. He likes to play Nintendo. He has been in several Bible School programs and 3 year old kindergarten graduation program. He was the only child in his class to have perfect attendance.

VALERIE VARN (A Theatre Manager) is the Corporate Secretary and Office Manager of Georgia Sulfur Corporation. She became a Certified Professional Secretary in 1987 and was a Valdosta Woman of the Year nominee in 1987, and Valdosta Secretary of the Year in 1987. Valerie is an active member in the Professional Secretaries International and had held many different offices as well as chairing several committees. Valerie enjoys her role as a homemaker and likes sewing, cooking, cross-stitching, and crocheting. She is also actively involved in an aerobics class. Valerie is married to Mike Vam and has a son Mike,

SSGT. ERNEST D. WHITLOW (M.Lindsey Woolsey; Lord Dudley) is a Muskegon Michigan native, now stationed at Moody AFB. He appeared on stage throughout Jr. and Sr. high school, and played a Voice of Vernon in the theatre Guild production of <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhp.com/">They're Playing our Song.</a>

KELLY WINGROVE (A Maid, A Shopper, A Woman) is a sophomore at Valdosta High School. She has been interested in drama for about five years, having appeared in various plays and musicals during that time.

WARREN WOODS (Patrick Dennis, a young man) is a model with credits including an appearance in an Advil commercial. He enjoys sports, paticularly football, baseball, and soccer. Warren also plays the trumpet, and can speak, read, and write German.

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