

Theatre Guild Valdosta  
presents

# Kill Me, Deadly

A noir comedy by Bill Robens

January 22-25, 29-31, 2015

Evening performances begin at 7:30pm. Sunday matinee begins at 3:00pm.

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The action takes place in various locales in Los Angeles in 1947.

## **Production Staff**

Director ..... Clay Lee  
Assistant Director ..... Lu Williams  
Stage Manager ..... Heather Dowdy  
Lights ..... Joshua Singletary  
Sound ..... Shannon Winthrop  
Costumes ..... Catherine Lee  
Set construction ..... Lu Williams,  
Josh Robertson, Patti Cook, Michael Brogdon, Bradley Patterson,  
Heather Dowdy, Catherine Lee, Donelle Stubbs, Michael Wetherington,  
Andrea Thom, Robert Thom, Andrew Thomas,  
Clay Lee, Brock Gilliard, Max Oliver

## **The Cast**

***Charlie Nickels*** ..... Josh Robertson  
***Mona Livingston*** ..... Jennifer Mahoney  
***Ida*** ..... Elisheba Coughenour  
***Lady Clairmont*** ..... Karen Root  
***Veronica Clairmont*** ..... Whitney Chappell  
***Clive Clairmont*** ..... Brock Gilliard  
***Jaime/Henry*** ..... Michael Brogdon  
***Adrian Wilson*** ..... Andrew Thomas  
***Shirley*** ..... Bradley Patterson  
***Lady Mary/Librarian*** ..... Andrea Thom  
***Dewey/Bugsy Seagel*** ..... Jason Crews  
***Louie*** ..... Jason Murphy  
***Jonesy*** ..... Michael Wetherington  
***Fists*** ..... Max Oliver  
***Hobos*** ..... Patti Cook, Brock Gilliard, Michael Brogdon, Michael Wetherington, Jason Crews, Bradley Patterson, Heather Dowdy, Jason Murphy



Josh Robertson (*Charlie*) is excited to be part of such an interesting change of pace for TGV. He hopes you enjoy seeing the show as much as he's enjoyed being part of it. Thanks for joinin' us and tell your friends...if you know what's good for ya'.



Jennifer Mahoney (*Mona*) is a Massachusetts native who spent her early years working as an actress and singer on the North Shore of Boston. She is thrilled to have the opportunity to return to the stage as the complicated and unpredictable Mona.



Elisheba Coughenour (*Ida*) is delighted to be performing for her first time on the Theatre Guild Valdosta stage. She has performed in 10 other productions throughout her acting career in her hometown of Berlin, Pennsylvania. She is now working towards her nursing degree.



Karen Root (*Lady Clairmont*) is delighted to perform the deliciously evil role of Lady Clairmont. She most recently appeared as Vernadette in TGV's *Dixie Swim Club*. Thanks to Clay, Lu and all those who make it possible for me to play. Enjoy the show and beware of coconuts!



Whitney Chappell (*Veronica*) is excited to be returning to the TGV stage for the fourth time. She earned her BA in theatre in 2010. Whitney dedicates her performance to her grandmother, who introduced her to the wonderful genre of film noir.



Brock Gilliard (*Clive*) is happy to be returning to the TGV stage! Previous roles at TGV include those in *Caught in the Net*, *Love, Sex and the IRS*, *9 to 5*, and *She Loves Me*. He would like to thank Clay & Lu for allowing him to be part of this production.



Michael Brogdon (*Jaime/Henry*) is delighted to be returning to the TGV stage. His last three roles with the Guild were half of Tuna, Texas in *A Tuna Christmas*, Mr. Hart in *9 to 5*, and The Steward in *Into the Woods*. Thanks, Clay!



Andrew Thomas (*Wilson*) is back on stage as Wilson, the butler. Past performances include Mr. Maraczek (*She Loves Me*), Morty (*California Suite*), and Heck Tate (*To Kill a Mockingbird*). He would like to especially thank his wife Brenda for her support and encouragement.



Bradley Patterson (*Shirley*) is making his theatrical debut in *Kill Me, Deadly* and would like to thank TGV and director Clay Lee for this opportunity. Bradley works during the week as a professional educator at Valdosta High School.



Andrea Thom (*Lady Mary/Librarian*) has BS and MA degrees in theatre, and retired from 38 years of teaching theatre in secondary school and community college. She is involved in area theatre and arts programs, and is a certified theatre adjudicator. She directed TGV's *9 to 5*, *the Musical* and was in *Poe-Potpourri*.



Jason Crews (*Dewey/Bugsy*) is happy to be returning to the stage here in Valdosta, especially in a genre he loves so dearly. He hopes seeing this play will spur you to see the movies it lovingly spoofs. Here's lookin' at you kid.



Jason Murphy (*Louie*) is making his debut performance with Theatre Guild Valdosta. He is currently a Mechanical Engineering student at the Georgia Institute of Technology and is working an internship in the area. He graduated from Valdosta High School in 2011 and has enjoyed the experience this play has provided.



Michael Wetherington (*Jonesy*) is a veteran performer, including stints in stand-up comedy, voice work for radio, and on the TGV stage. He began his theatrical career in 1995 with the Valdosta High Drama Club.



Max Oliver (*Fists*) is making his stage debut in *Kill Me, Deadly*. He is married with a great family, and he will always cherish the euphoria of occasionally stepping outside himself to create something really cool that makes people smile.



Patti Cook (*Hobo*) is having fun again on stage as a Hobo/Barfly/Screen Team. Recently she has appeared as Lexie (*Dixie Swim Club*) and Gert (*California Suite*). She also served as the director for *To Kill a Mockingbird* and as assistant director for *She Loves Me*.

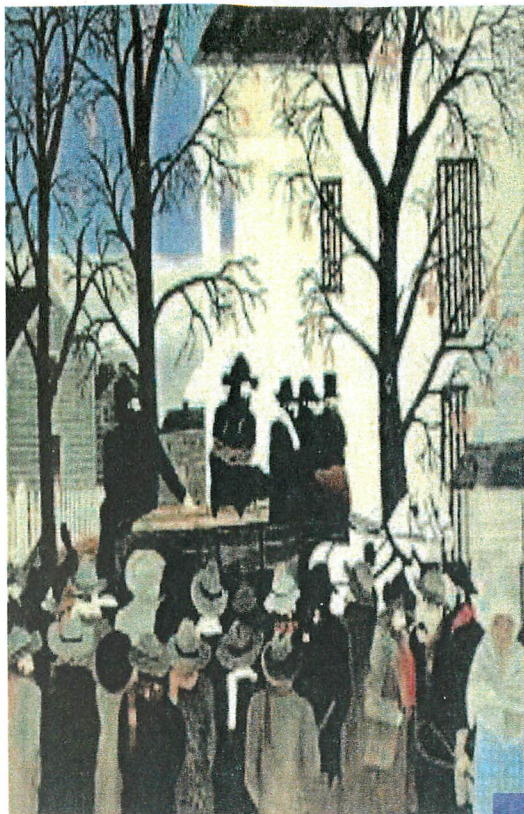
### *From the Director...*

As fan of old movies, the decision to direct *Kill Me, Deadly* was an easy one. While I immediately recognized the tropes and stereotypical characters, the subtle, and not so subtle humor, sealed the deal. Gumshoes, coppers, dames AND jokes? Sold! The cast is a great mix of familiar and new faces. We have had some laughs during the many hours we have spent at the 'Dosta working on *Kill Me, Deadly*, and I hope that you will think that our time has been well spent. So a big thanks to all my new friends for their help and their courage. And to my not-so-new friends a big thanks as well since you know me and you still decided to help. A special thanks to Lu Williams for all her work and, as always, to Jeff and Catherine for reasons far too numerous to list here.

Enjoy the show!

Clay

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