

Theatre Guild Valdosta 2005 - 2006 Season

122 North Ashley Street P.O. Box 123 Valdosta, Georgia 31603

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Theatre Guild Valdosta proudly presents

You Can't Take It With You

by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman

Directed by Linda Stikkel

May 5th - 6th, 11^{th*} - 13th, 18^{th*}- 20th, 2006 8:00p.m.

Sunday, May 14th - 2:30p.m. Mother's Day Matinee

*Optional Dinner Theater on Thursdays, May 11th and 18th at 6:30p.m.

\$12 for the show ticket \$27 for the dinner and show (Thursdays only)

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The Cast

Penny Sycamore	Mary Ann Green
Paul Sycamore	
Grandpa Vanderhof	
Alice Sycamore	
Essie Carmichael	
Ed Carmichael	Kyle Peterson
Mr. DePinna	
Tony Kirby	
Mr. Kirby	
Mrs. Kirby	
Rheba	April Coleman
Donald	
Mr. Boris Kolenkhov	Rick Patrick
Gay Wellington	
Grand Duchess Olga Katrina	
Henderson, J-Man	Ron Bruton
Jim	
Mac	Wavne Eliasek

Scenes

"You Can't Take It With You"

is a play in three acts.

It takes place in 1938 in the living room of Martin Vanderhof and his extended family.

Intermission will be between Acts I and II.

About The Cast

Mary Ann Green as Penny Sycamore

Mary Ann is no stranger to TGV audiences or to this show. She first performed in You Can't Take It with You in the role of Rheba while still in high school. She repeated this same role in summer stock at the Lake Wawasee, Indiana Theater during her college years. Additionally, Mary Ann served as director in TGV's first presentation of this heartwarming comedy in March, 1990 at the Moody Officer's Club. Audiences may remember Mary Ann in other shows including Steel Magnolias, Gypsy, Alone Together and Lion in Winter.

Fred Stikkel as Paul Sycamore

This is Fred's 10th year with TGV and still going strong. Fred has been involved with set construction on lots of shows and has appeared on stage as the Ship's Captain in *Anything Goes*, Alphie Dolittle in *My Fair Lady*, Officer O'Hara in *Arsenic and Old Lace*, Rookie Carracoa in *My Favorite Year*, Victor Vlasco in *Barefoot In The Park*, Draft Man and General Bush in *No Time For Sergeants*, to name a few. Fred is still having fun and hopes to be here for more performances.

Philip Barr as Grandpa Vanderhof

Philip is glad to be back with TGV after a long absence. He appeared in *Bus Stop* (1990), *No Time For Sergeants* (1998) and lots of roles in college and other community theater, "more years ago than I want to remember!" Philip dedicates this performance to Jackson, Maggie, Mitchell and Matthew to whom he's always "Grandpa."

Kristi Soutar as Alice Sycamore

Kristi has been acting with TGV since she was 10 years old. She actually appeared in the first show in the 'Dosta Playhouse. She is a graduate of Stetson University with a B. A. in psychology and currently works at VSU. "It is a pleasure to be back at TGV to get acquainted with new faces, reconnect with old friends and enjoy the building additions!"

Jessica McMillan as Essie Carmichael

Jessica is 16 and is a sophomore at Lowndes High School. She was last seen at TGV as Lucy in Ladies in Retirement. She has also served as the assistant director for several children's shows at TGV. Jessica sings with her father, a guitarist, and they play shows at various locations. Jessica would like to thank Linda for this opportunity and all her friends at TGV.

Kyle Peterson as Ed Carmichael

Kyle is a student at VSU and is in his third season with TGV. His favorite theater experience was his participation in the musical two years ago, *Guys and Dolls*. Kyle has always enjoyed being on stage and looks forward to many more opportunities to perform. He would like to thank all of the wonderful people who have supported him throughout the years.

Ted Pyles as Mr. DePinna

Ted claims to be semi-retired but with his interests in gardening, furniture building, guitar, singing, painting, writing novels, short stories and poetry we need to refer to Ted as a true Renaissance Man. Ted appeared earlier this season as Alan Swann in *My Favorite Year* and is grateful for the opportunity to play Mr. DePinna in this production.

Ken Kinard as Tony Kirby

Ken has performed in many shows with TGV including Rumors, Ladies In Retirement,

Lend Me A Tenor, Of Mice and Men, Arsenic and Old Lace, Moon Over Buffalo, My Fair Lady, Proposals and Anything Goes. Ken extends special thanks to Natalie, Ryan, Austin, Crystal and friends.

Robert Hatton as Mr. Kirby

Robert has been in several TGV productions over the last 12 years including *Arsenic* and *Old Lace*, *Dearly Departed*, *The Wizard of Oz* and *Lend Me a Tenor*. Robert is a pharmacist in Valdosta and owner of the Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy. He has been a resident of Valdosta for 13 years and is married to Kim. They have 3 children - Sarah, Rachel and Josh.

Pauline Player as Mrs. Kirby

"Thanks, Linda, for letting me be a part of this great cast. It has been such fun and I'm glad to add this to a long list of TGV favorites - *Nunsence*, *Wizard of Oz*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Rumors*, *Lend Me A Tenor*, *Ladies in Retirement*, *Proposals* - to name a few. I hope everyone enjoys the show!"

April Coleman as Rheba

April is a 22-year-old junior at VSU majoring in Theater with an emphasis in acting. This is her first time doing a show in Valdosta and she looks forward to many more seasons. She would like to thank God for the opportunity and her parents, Darryl and Yvette Coleman, for their love, support, room and board and food while she fulfills her dreams. She would also like to thank her brothers and sister and her loyal friend, Daniel Wall. "Thanks for the inspiration. I love you all. Last but not least, thanks to you for coming to see the show and supporting TGV. You are greatly appreciated!"

Jim Rinehart as Donald

Jim, a seasoned veteran of TGV returns after a 15 year hiatus. He started with TGV as Claude Upson in *Auntie Mame*. Jim says he is glad to be back with such a wonderful cast. He loves to play character roles and thanks Linda for a great opportunity.

Rick Patrick as Boris Kolenkhov

Some of Rick's favorite roles at TGV over the years include Will Stockdale in *No Time for Sergeants*, Elwood P. Dowd in *Harvey* and Murray the Monster in the children's production, *Monster in the Closet*. Tonight's performance is dedicated to the memory of Gwen Faulkner, a wonderful teacher, director and, most of all, friend who always encouraged Rick to "get in a few good hours on that saxophone."

Patti Cook as Gay Wellington

This is Patti's second season with TGV. She has appeared as the eccentric Louisa in Ladies in Retirement and the feisty Claire in Rumors. Patti teaches math at Lowndes High and spends her spare time at TGV - "What a wonderful place! Thanks, Linda, for the opportunity to play such a colorful character."

Jody Leonard as Grand Duchess Olga Katrina

Jody was seen last season as the door-slamming Maria Merrelli in TGV's Lend Me A Tenor. She is thrilled to be part of this talented and creative cast and crew. Like her character, the Grand Duchess, Jody also loves to cook but she has never prepared blintzes. She dedicates her performance to all those who wait tables. "Enjoy the show."

Ron Bruton as Henderson and J-Man

In the deep, dark past Ron acted several bit parts in *Anything Goes* in high school on the West Coast. After several decades away from acting Ron came to Valdosta and was Larry Regan in *The Night of January 16th* plus performed more bit parts in *Little Shop of Horrors* and *Arsenic and Old Lace*. GO BEAVERS!

Linda Stikkel, Director

Linda has been a member of TGV for twelve years. At present, she is the Treasurer for the TGV Board. Linda has directed past TGV shows such as *No Time for Sergeants, Arsenic and Old Lace* and *Of Mice And Men*. She was last seen on stage as Bell in the musical last fall, *My Favorite Year*.

Patricia Stacey - Assistant Director, Stage Manager

Patricia has been a back stage mom while her children performed in several of our productions and her husband helped with sets and tech. This is her first time working with the "grown-ups" on a main stage show and she is thoroughly enjoying the experience. She hopes to be brave enough one day to be on stage herself.

Amanda Sumner - Assistant Stage Manager/Props

Amanda's first experience with TGV was playing Martha in *Guys and Dolls*. That was when she figured that being on stage wasn't her cup of tea. Since then she was assistant director for *No Sex, Please...We're British*, sound for *Cemetery Club* and head of concessions during intermission for all TGV shows. "I have enjoyed working with this cast and with Linda, not only during our day job at the dentist office, but as her props manager. This has been a fun and challenging job! I want to thank my newly-wed husband, Robert, for his patience and creativity during this show. BREAK A LEG!"

Director's Notes

Oh, Domestic Bliss! - or so it is for Martin Vanderhof and his family. Penny writes plays, Paul makes fireworks, Ellie dances ballet and Ed plays the xylophone. Add in some candy, snakes, cornflakes and the Internal Revenue and you have your "Home, Sweet Home."

They open their home and lives to the ice man, the dance teacher, an actress and even a Grand Duchess. But this is the story of Alice, the sweet daughter of Penny and Paul. Alice works for Mr. Kirby and is in love with the boss's son, Tony.

Can this family from "Crazy Street" merge with the family from Wall Street? With a little honest soul-searching and Grandpa's outlook on life, they certainly can!

Linda Stikkel

Patrons

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Golden Boy

Anonymous Eleanor M. Howard

Jerry and Kay Jennett Dr. Gregory E. Pye and Grant Brown

Sugar Baby

Mr. and Mrs. J. Michael Dover Classic Art and Frame Emily T. Joiner

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Barbara Patrick
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Ken and Electa Rickett
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Sarah Ann Bartholomew John and Helen Bennett Mrs. Sarah Lee Burkhard Brenda Carter Steve and Kathy Collins Monty R. Cruce Donald O. Davis Martha Gibson Joanne Griner Mary Ann Green Dorothy Mackey Jack Newbury
Richard Hill Associates
Edward Van Peenan
Pauline Player
Jack and Marge Pruden
Jeanne Davis Rountree
Dave and Patricia Stacey
Phil and Sheryl Stranahan
Kimberly and Doug Tanner
Dr. and Mrs. Bolan P. Woodward
Mary Helen Watson

Behind The Scenes

Director and Producer	Linda Stikkel
	er Patricia Stacey
	Amanda Sumner
Lighting	. Michelle Everitt and Timothy MacFarlane
	Lori McHatten, Pauline Player
Set Design and Construction	Cast and Crew
Box Office Linda Stikkel, Joanne Griner, Patti Cook, Mary Ann Green	
Concessions	Laurene Carter
Caterer	Giulio's Restaurant
Publicity	Sally Haase, Linda Patelski, Grant Brown

Thank You

Laws Furniture

Lee Office Equipment

Humane Society of Lowndes County (the two kittens are up for adoption!)

Kay Soutar for the buffet

Jerry Ellis for his ingenious props

LHS Georgia Bridgemen for the Xylophone

Pauline Player for her valuable support

Up Coming Auditions

"Oklahoma!" by Rodgers and Hammerstein

A large cast of actors, singers and dancers is needed - high school age and above. Everyone is expected to prepare a short song of their choosing. There will be no accompanist. You will be given a portion of the script to read. Simple dance movement will be performed in small groups.

Audition dates: Sunday, June 4 at 5pm and Monday, June 5 at 6:30pm at the 'Dosta Playhouse.

Previous singing, acting or dancing experience is a plus but not manditory.

Play dates are August 18-20, 24-27, 31- Sept 2. For more information contact the show's director, Grant Brown, at 269-9381 or ctkgb@bellsouth.net.

Open auditions for ALL interested actors.
Newcomers ALWAYS WELCOME!

Backstage help always needed, also.

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"Oklahoma!" August 18-20, August 24-27, August 31-September 2, 2006

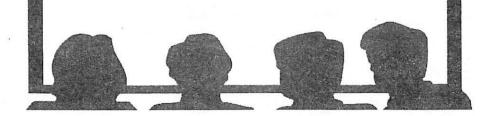
"Tribute"
October 19-22, 26-28, 2006

Children's Christmas Show November 30, December 1-3, 2006

> "The Nerd" January 18-21, 25-27, 2007

Children's Spring Show March 15-18, 2007

"Beau Gest" May 3-6, 10-12, 2007



Board Of Directors

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Play Selection	Joanne Griner

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History

TGV was organized in 1989 through the efforts of the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission as an autonomous community theater group with non-profit tax-exempt status. After three years as a group of vagabond players with no home, the group purchased the old 'Dosta Theatre building in 1992 and set about converting the dilapidated movie theatre into a playhouse for live stage performances. Thanks to many supporters and one large benefactor, TGV now owns three adjoining buildings in historic downtown Valdosta. The all-volunteer group produces four main stage shows and two children's shows each year. All of this is done in order to provide a high quality theater experience for our community.

Membership & Ticket Info

Please consider becoming a member to support your community theatre. We couldn't do it without you. Membership helps us defray the cost of the newsletter which keeps you informed of play dates, board meetings, auditions, play selections. Also with membership, you have a vote on play selection, an invitation to the annual Rosie Awards, and discount tickets.

Annual Membership \$15 (Individual) \$25 (Family 2+)
Member 4-Ticket Pass \$40
Non-Member 4-Ticket Pass \$45
Single Ticket \$12
Single Ticket Musical \$15
Children's Show Tickets \$3 & \$5
Group discount for 20+ paid in advance - \$2 off single ticket price, excluding children's shows.
For membership, please call the theatre at 229.24.STAGE

Dinner Theatre

TGV provides dinner for your enjoyment on the Thursday nights of each show. Reservations must be made and paid for in advance by the Tuesday before your reservation. Dinner is buffet style and is served by 6:30 p.m. BYOB. Seating is limited so please make your reservations early. Call 24-STAGE (247-8243) for reservations or call during our box office hours: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Monday – Friday the week before opening. Cost of dinner is \$15.00 (in addition to show ticket).

Children Get In On The Act

Twice yearly, TGV invites children to get in on the act. We choose great plays in which the children are the stars, not only on-stage, but back stage as well. We encourage them to perform and learn all aspects of the theater. Parents get involved with their children and it becomes a family adventure. Parents can audition alongside their children! Visit our website for audition information and look in the Goings On section in the Valdosta Daily Times. TGV's Children's Theater is newly-named "The Gingerbread Players."

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