

South Valley Civic Theatre presents

The Foreigner

Produced by special arrangement
with Dramatist's Play Service Inc.

A hilarious comedy by Larry Shue



Directed by Russ Hendrickson

Produced by Rod Pintello and Marite Mantilla

South Valley Civic Theatre welcomes you!

The South Valley has been very fortunate over the past thirty years to have literally hundreds of community members share their talents—both artistic and organizational -- with their community theater. Thanks to those individuals and to the continuing support of enthusiastic audiences we have celebrated thirty years of local live theater in our area! Ever since Gilroy Community Theatre raised the curtain on *Come Blow Your Horn* in 1969, we have all been part of a valuable tradition. That event was just the beginning. In 1985 it was decided to change the name to South Valley Civic Theatre to expand the home base of community theater to include all the participants and patrons in Gilroy, Hollister, Morgan Hill, San Martin, San Juan Bautista, South San Jose and our whole South Valley. Many seasons have included performances in several cities.

Throughout these past thirty years, whether called GCT or SVCT, the foundation for success has been "community."

Individuals join in a production, on stage or behind the scenes, and they join a community of theater lovers. Many have stayed for years, on the board of directors, as actors, building sets, working on stage crew, playing in the orchestra, and helping with the myriad tasks which bring a script to life on our stages. Many have appeared only once or twice, then become sustaining members of the audiences and of the organization.

Each show during each season is an encore presentation for some of our actors and staff, and a preview of things to come for other participants. There are novice 10-year-old actors standing at the footlights for the first time this season, and experienced theater professionals acting and directing -- some of whom actually got their start in our annual children's and teens' productions!

After thirty years we continue to celebrate the efforts and support of all those people who are actually the heart of community theater. Live theater is exciting on stage, community theater is exciting in the wings, too! We can all be proud of these past thirty years, and we are right to anticipate at least another thirty great years.

The Foreigner

The Place: Betty Meeks' Fishing Lodge Resort, Tilghman County, Georgia

The Time: The Mid-eighties

Act I

Scene 1: Evening

Scene 2: The following morning

Act II

Scene 1: Afternoon, two days later

Scene 2: That evening

Staff

Producers

Rod Pintello and Marite Mantilla

Director

Russ Hendrickson

Rehearsal Assistant

Dick DeBolt

Sound and Lighting Design

Sean Keck

Set Design

Steve Spencer

Properties Coordinators

Chris Souza and Tracy Van Gundy

Stage Manager

Ted Hendrickson

Stage Crew

Alika Spencer

Technical Crew

Jeremy Borgia and Andrew Mantilla

Costume Seamstress

Kae Spencer

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April Ouellette

Set Construction Crew

Rod Pintello, Steve Spencer, Tom

Hepner, Jonathan Bass, Laura and Gary Glasspool, Frank Harper, Russ Hendrickson, Ted Hendrickson, Rich and Becky Kaiser, Dave Leon, Lalo Mantilla, Andrew Mantilla, Marion Pintello, Christoph Schwischay, Alika Spencer, Chris Souza, Larry Tom

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Cast



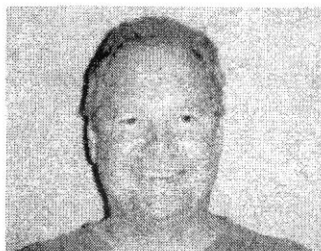
Jonathan Bass, Ellard Simms

Jonathan lives in Gilroy with his wife and two children. He teaches at Antonio Del Buono School, where his two children attend. He made his acting debut with Center Stage as Greg in "Relatively Speaking." This is Jonathan's second appearance on stage.



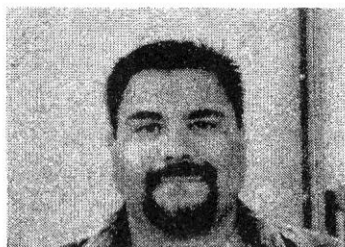
Pat Cianci, Betty Meeks

"The Foreigner" is Pat's second show with SVCT, having performed as Emily Brent in last season's "Ten Little Indians." Pat is excited to be back working with the group and thrilled to be part of such a comedic production. Other acting credits include performances from the Santa Cruz group, Theater in the Mountains, local college productions and The Opery House. Living happily in Gilroy, Pat and her husband, Fred, celebrated their twenty-ninth wedding anniversary last month.



Steve Spencer, Charlie Baker

This is the eighth show that Steve has done with SVCT. He first appeared as the murderous Stanley Bruhl in "Death Trap" in 1993. Steve has performed in "Noises Off," "Rumors," "California Suite," "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," "Pirates of Penzance," and "Bleacher Bums." Performing in "The Foreigner" is a dream that Steve has had since he first saw the show thirteen years ago. Thanks to the talented and delightful bunch of theater nuts in the cast!



Dave Leon, Owen Musser

"The Foreigner" marks Dave's first appearance with SVCT. This is Dave's second time in the role of Owen Musser. He previously played the part in a production in high school in 1991. The San Jose native is no stranger to the

Gilroy area. He spends each fall working with the marching band at Gilroy High School, as well as others in the San Jose area. Dave would like to thank his friends, students, and especially his family for their support. He would also like to thank the other cast members for being such good sports about his constant joking around during rehearsals.



Tom Hepner, Froggy LaSeur

How many years of local theater for Tom and his talented family? All eight of them have acted, sung, directed, produced, stage managed and enthusiastically participated in perhaps hundreds of plays for SVCT, GCT, Center Stage, school theaters, and Tom has even worked at American Musical Theater. "The Foreigner" proves it's still a great hobby – old friends, new friends, hard work, great comedy, and interesting costumes.



Christine McElroy, Catherine Simms

Christine has been involved with SVCT for many years -- her first show ever was in 1993, in SVCT's "Anything Goes". Although she has worked in various roles behind the scenes, her favorite place is in the limelight. She is thrilled to be on stage after a three-year absence. Thanks, everyone, for your encouragement, support and love.



Kevin Heath, Reverend David

This is Kevin's first show with SVCT. A recent transplant from New England, he's enjoyed many years with various theater groups in Connecticut and Boston. His favorite roles include Clive (See How They Run), Joe Hardy (Damn Yankees), Malcolm (Bedroom Farce) and Eldon (Murder at the Sock Hop). He'd like to thank the cast for all the laughs and hard work. He'd also like to dedicate his performance to Albo and the memory of Liz Hayes and Sue Somers.

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