

The Father

by August Strindberg

THE FATHER

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AUGUST STRINDBERG Directed by STANLEY WEESE

Set, Projections and Costumes
Designed by ROBERT DAHLSTROM

Lighting Designed by IAN PRATT

CAST

| The Captain | | | | | • | | • | | | BARNEY O'SULLIVAN* |
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| Laura, his wife | | | | | | • | | | | GERRY CLAMAN |
| Bertha, his daughter. | | | • | | • | | | | | MIRIAM SMITH |
| Doctor Östermark . | | | • | | | | | | | TONY DAWSON |
| The Pastor | • | ٠ | • | | | | | | | AL KOZLIK* |
| Margret, a nurse-maid | •• | | •. | | . • | | | | | . ELEANOR NICHOLLS |
| Nöjd | | | • | | | | | • | JC | ONATHAN YORK HOBBS |
| The Orderly | | • | | • | • | | | | | . MICHAEL ROBINSON |

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The play takes place in the living room of the Captain's home. He is a cavalry officer in a remote country district of Sweden. It is about 1886, shortly before Christmas.

Act I Early Evening
Intermission
Act II Later that Night
Act III The Following Evening

There will be one 15 minute intermission.

Program Note

Paradox ... is an essential element in Strindberg's many-faceted plays. He perceived this himself in his famous Preface to Miss Julie, when he prided himself on supplying his character with a "multiplicity of motives: and decried old-fashioned methods of characterization that yielded only stereotypes on the stage. Paradox is inseparable in his case from depth of understanding, and it is plainly his comprehension of ambivalence and inner conflict that made him the prime creator of modern psychological drama.

John Gassner Introduction Seven Plays of August Strindberg

PRODUCTION

| Technical Director and Production Stage Manager IAN PRATT |
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| Stage Manager |
| Lighting Execution JOHN HENRICKSON |
| Properties SHERRY DARCUS |
| Set Construction DON GRIFFITHS, BOB EBERLE |
| Costume Execution ROSEMARIE HESELTON, PEGGY KEENE |
| Wardrobe Mistress PEGGY KEENE |
| Assistants to the Director CHRISTINE SMITH, LAUREN STAINES |
| Assistant to the Designer DAVID ROBERTS |
| Stage Crew STUDENTS OF THEATRE 350 |
| House Manager |
| Box Office KATHRYN DOBIE, ROSALINE CHOY, DIANE CURNOW |
| Business Manager MARJORIE FORDHAM |
| Production NORMAN YOUNG |
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COMING EVENTS

January 23 — February 2

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

by William Shakespeare

Directed by Klaus Strassmann in the Frederic Wood Theatre

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Frederic Wood Theatre

November 21 — December 1, 1979

The University of British Columbia