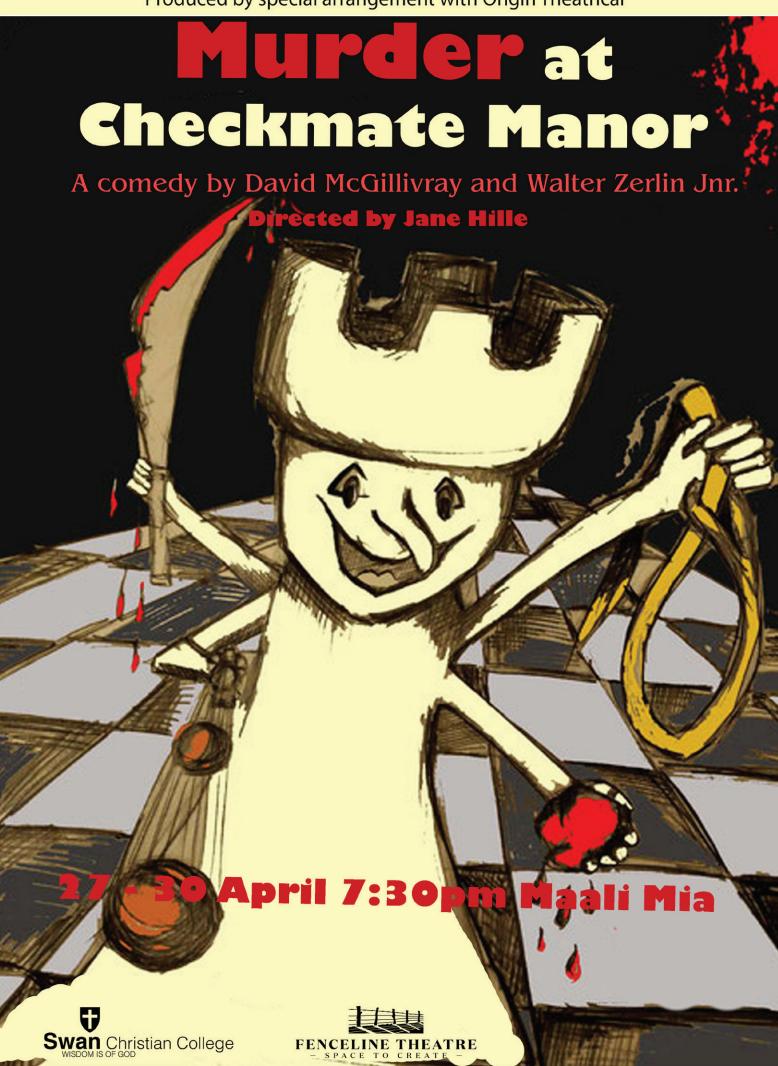
Fenceline Theatre Company Senior School Production 2022
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## **Synopsis**

The local 'Dramatic Society' are well renowned in the community for doing regular and ambitious productions. This Murder Mystery is no exception. Invariably, these events are fraught with disaster. People forgetting lines, missing cues, set piece collapsing. Mrs Reece, is President of the local Guild. This is the Guild's annual theatre production and becomes a complete entertainment experience. She begins by introducing us to the members of the Society, then, we hear about some of the mishaps, we witness a fashion parade and get involved with the Murder Mystery quiz (pay attention.) Finally, she takes it upon herself to rescue the entire theatrical event, currently a shipwreck, and at the last moment alters the ending.

### **Director's Notes**

This is a comic farce. Farce is a comedy that seeks to entertain an audience through situations that are highly exaggerated, extravagant, ridiculous, absurd, and improbable.

These types of plays are the most fun to do and the most difficult. Nearly everyone of stage has two characters, the dialogue, special effects, use of props and the mess left on stage brings its own challenges to the cast. The skill set required involves developing acute comic timing coupled with overt reactions and responses. These are two of the more sophisticated theatrical skills for performers to deliver. Farce works because we cannot predict what nonsense will take place. This play does not disappoint.

We have had tremendous fun rehearsing this and have laughed a great deal. Kudos goes to all the students who have being so resilient through the process. Doing theatre in a Covid restricted world has many challenges.

### Cast

Mrs Reece

Lady Doreen Bishop

Daphne Bishop

Clarissa Rook

Pawn

Regine the French Maid

Inspector O'Reilly

Joan Bishop

**Violet Bishop** 

Rose Bishop

**Colonel King** 

Mrs King

Patricia Bishop

Letitia Bishop

Mr Goodbody

Annika Georgi

Michela Blicharski

**Aria Taylor** 

**Anke Tamsen** 

**Lachlan McGill** 

**Annika Georgi** 

**Ryan Walker** 

**Claire McGill** 

**Hayden Bettany** 

**Taine Collins** 

Joshua Jarvis

**Jewel Eggleston** 

**Shelby Anderson** 

Nicola McElwee

**Miles Dodsworth** 

# Members of the Guild and Fashion Models

Gordon

Shirley

Edward

Ralph

Henry

Rosemary

Mavis

Warren

**Liam Hislop** 

**Mina-Jo Farber** 

**Matthews Bays** 

**Xander Poulter** 

**Sebastian Weeks** 

**Cerys Owens** 

**Alice Franks** 

**Jarvis Church** 

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### **Crew**

Stage Management
Stage Management
Properties
Sound
Lighting

Alyssa La Cunza Thomas Falcucci Miss Nadia Alexander Mr Ben Jones Jane Hille

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- Jane Hille