VSU Theatre & Dance presents the 2021-2022 season:

The Country Wife

By William Wycherley

November 11-13, 15-16, 2021 at 7:30 PM
Sunday, November 14, 2021 at 3:00 PM
Sawyer Theatre

The Country Wife is an Associate Entry in

The Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival

This production contains mature themes (PG)
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Dear Friends,

Women Center Stage, with a focus on women in leading, catalyst, and creative roles.

We know you have missed being able to enjoy our Theatre and Dance performances from your favorite seat in the Fine Arts Building, and we have missed welcoming you on campus. Our students are excited about the opportunity to once again perform for a live audience, seeing and feeling your reactions and feeding off your energy.

VSU Theatre and Dance is committed to fostering excellence within its theatre performance, theatre production, theatre management, musical theatre, and dance programs while also contributing to the lifelong learning and cultural development of the citizens of South Georgia, North Florida, and beyond.

VSU Theatre and Dance attracts highly talented students from around the world and, over the course of four years, helps them develop critical thinking, problem-solving, planning, and organizational skills; perseverance; self-discipline; patience; physical stamina; creative abilities; a broad understanding of music, literature, history, and other arts, which helps them to interpret ideas and feelings; and an understanding of music, costuming, and staging. Participating in productions like this one helps these students learn teamwork and how to work with deadlines, while also strengthening and refining their acting, dancing, technical, management, and voice skills before entering the professional world.

Many of our VSU Theatre and Dance graduates go on to pursue careers as writers, dancers, actors, directors, managers, and more in the film and television industry, as well as on Broadway, Off-Broadway, in regional tours, at theme parks, and more across the United States and beyond.

The ongoing global pandemic has created opportunities for all of us to pivot and find unique ways to thrive during this time of unexpected challenge. We are grateful for our Theatre and Dance students, faculty, and staff for their tireless dedication to the performing arts and their willingness to share their talents with every member of our Blazer Nation family, both on campus and in the surrounding communities.

We are also grateful for each of you – the individuals, families, community leaders, and business owners who generously support, protect, and nurture VSU’s tradition of creative excellence.

At VSU, we know the arts play a central role in driving innovation throughout our 41-county service area across South Georgia. The ongoing health crisis has shown us that the arts also play a pivotal role in uplifting our lives, helping us maintain a sense of connectedness, and healing our souls.

Thank you for being a part of our audience.

Enjoy the show!

Richard A. Carvajal, Ph.D.
President
The Country Wife

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CAST

Mr. Horner  Matt Cline
Mr. Harcourt  Dylan Van Slyke
Mr. Dorilant  Gabriel Rodriguez
Mr. Pinchwife  Ian C. Bingham
Mr. Sparkish  Kalab Quinn
Sir Jasper Fidget  Robert Erdman
Horner’s Servant (Understudy for Horner)  Josh Thomas
Dr. Quack  AJ Prendergast
Mrs. Margery Pinchwife  Ella Marroquin
Miss Alithea Pinchwife  Paige Christoffers
Lady Fidget  Nicole Frothingham
Mrs. Dainty Fidget  Hannah Rose Kramer
Mrs. Squeamish  Sarah Suzor
Lady Squeamish (Understudy for Alithea)  Laiah Harris
Lucy (Understudy for Margery Pinchwife)  Molly Armstrong
(Understudy for Servant & Quack)  Misael Vasquez
(Understudy for Sparkish, Sir Jaspar, and Pinchwife)  Mason Ebert
(Understudy for Harcourt and Dorilant)  Drew Champion
(Understudy for Lucy and Dainty Fidget)  I’Yahna Thomas
(Understudy for Lady Fidget and Mrs. Squeamish)  Mia Washington
(Understudy for Old Lady Squeamish)  Abby Gill

Director
Dr. Melissa Rynn Porterfield
Makeup & Wig Design
Chalise Ludlow

Scenic & Lighting Design
Ruth A. Brandvik
Sound Design
Zachariah Rosenbaum

Costume Design
Chalise Ludlow
Technical Director
Sarah Liffick

Stage Manager
Morgan Boesch
Fight Choreographer
Ian Andersen

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UNDERSTUDIES

Mr. Horner: Josh Thomas
Miss Alithea Pinchwife: Laiah Harris
Mrs. Margery Pinchwife: Molly Armstrong
Horner’s Servant & Dr. Quack: Misael Vasquez
Mr. Sparkish, Sir Jaspar Fidget, & Mr. Pinchwife: Mason Ebert
Mr. Harcourt & Mr. Dorilant: Drew Champion
Lucy & Mrs. Dainty Fidget: I’Yahna Thomas
Lady Fidget and Mrs. Squeamish: Mia Washington
Lady Squeamish: Abby Gill

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PRODUCTION TEAM

Assistant Stage Manager  Meg Hashem
Assistant Technical Director  K’Nyia Bumpers
Master Carpenter, ATD, & Deck Chief  K’Nyia Bumpers
Master Electrician and Light Board Programmer  Jesse Latherow
Props Master  Lauren Gorr
Paint Charge  Natalie Sorrento
Wig Master  Laiah Harris
Fight Captain  Dylan Van Slyke
Light Board Op.  Jolie Desruisseau
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Run Crew  Arrie Holmes
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                        Savannah Kennedy
                        Meredith Reitz
                        Rachel Vuong
Wig Crew  Hope Clayborne
          Eriana Jones
          Brianna Lauser
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House Managers  Jamie Springer
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Box Office Manager  Abby Gill
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                      Lauren Gorr
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                      Natalie Sorrento
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                    THEA 3720B
Costume Shop Manager  Kathy-Raess Young
Costume Shop Assistants  Sabrina Martin
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                        Joey Pitts
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This production is entered in the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF). The aims of this national theater education program are to identify and promote quality in college-level theater production. To this end, each production entered is eligible for a response by a regional KCACTF representative, and selected students and faculty are invited to participate in KCACTF programs involving scholarships, internships, grants and awards for actors, directors, dramaturgs, playwrights, designers, stage managers and critics at both the regional and national levels.

Productions entered on the Participating level are eligible for invitation to the KCACTF regional festival and may also be considered for national awards recognizing outstanding achievement in production, design, direction and performance.

Last year more than 1,500 productions were entered in the KCACTF involving more than 200,000 students nationwide. By entering this production, our theater department is sharing in the KCACTF goals to recognize, reward, and celebrate the exemplary work produced in college and university theaters across the nation.
2021-2022 Season

COMING SOON

to VSU Theatre & Dance’s

Women Center Stage season

Skazki: Three Russian Fairytales

This year’s Theatre for Young Audiences offering will be a new play by Dr. Melissa Rynn Porterfield and Dr. Chip Crane, featuring original adaptations of classic Russian fairytales designed to spark the imaginations of the young and the young at heart. Audiences will be transported into the magical worlds of these classic tales filled with brave heroes and heroines, enchanted creatures, and fearsome villains.

This production is suitable for audiences of all ages, G.

FEBRUARY 4, 2022 AT 7:30 PM
FEBRUARY 5, 2022 AT 2:00 PM
SAWYER THEATRE - 1st FLOOR, VSU FINE ARTS BUILDING

The Wolves

Left quad. Right quad. Lunge. A girl’s indoor soccer team warms up. From the safety of their suburban stretch circle, the team navigates big questions and wages tiny battles with all the vim and vigor of a pack of adolescent warriors. A portrait of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for nine American girls who just want to score some goals.

Finalist for 2017 Pulitzer Prize for Drama

This production contains adult language and themes, R.

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