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**JEN J. MADISON** COSTUME DESIGNER

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DANIELLE RICHTER MAKE-UP/HAIR DESIGNER

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	Sound Board Operator	
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	House Crew	
	Head Dresser Sarah Alessandro	
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	LaundryMaegan Baillio, Jessica Nielsen	
2	Costume Crew	
	Scenic Crew Cameron Allen, Kenny Dolin, Kaleb Dworsky, Mitch Harris, Lara Hincapie, Caitlyn Jackson, Hannah LeBron, Thomas Pietrzak, Josean Rodriguez and the students of THAR 1330	
	Make-up/Hair Crew Jordan Cooper	
	Lighting Crew	

### THE COMPANY

#### SHEILA GORDON (Lorraine) is assistant



professor of acting and voice at St. Edward's University and serves as voice and dialect coach on a wide range of Mary Moody Northen Theatre productions. Her last performance at MMNT was in the

role of Asa in Peer Gvnt, for which she received a B. Iden Payne Award nomination for Best Supporting Actor in a drama. Her most recent work is One Venus Hour, an original solo show that debuted at the Frontera Long Fringe Festival in 2011 and was recently accepted into the EstroGenius Festival in New York City. She is the author/performer of several critically acclaimed solo performance pieces, including Foldina House, which received the "Best of Festival" recognition in the 2009 Frontera Short Fringe Festival. Other performance credits include Vivian in Wit, A Tale of Two Cities, at The Public Theatre in New York, the film Boys Don't Cry and a cavalcade of voiceover performances for games and educational programs. Sheila brought her directorial talents to MMNT with the 2008 production of Three Sisters. She is a certified practitioner of the Feldenkrais and Anat Baniel methods and is a published author on the subject of movement and voice integration.

#### BERNADETTE NASON (Meg) last appeared

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show, *Tea in Tripoli* (nominated for three B. Iden Payne awards). Regional credits: Austin Playhouse — *The Importance of Being Earnest, Sylvia, Blithe Spirit, Steel Magnolias,* 

one-woman

The Underpants. Austin Shakespeare — The Rivals, Richard III, The Winter's Tale, The Merry Wives of Windsor, Twelfth Night. Onstage Theatre — Shirley Valentine, Harvey, The Mousetrap, Educating Rita, She has worked with numerous other theater groups and received many awards including the 2007 Austin Critics' Table Special Citation, "The John Bustin Award for Conspicuous Versatility." Affiliations: Austin Playhouse acting company, Actors' Equity, SAG. Next up, a one-woman version of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* at the City Theatre.

**ROD PORTER** (Baylor) has performed



television and film roles including The West Wing, Murder She Wrote, General Hospital and Bright-Green-May's Entropy. Theater credits include Someone Who'll Watch Over Me. Gypsy, and

Pa Joad in the Russian Premiere of *The Grapes of Wrath.* He received his MFA from Carnegie Mellon University/Moscow Art Theatre School.

**KENNY DOLIN '11** (*Mike*) has previously appeared on the Mary Moody Northen Theatre stage in *bobrauschenbergamerica*, and *Three Sisters*. He also appeared on a loading dock in *SubUrbia* for Transit Theatre Troupe. He would like to thank Jared for this opportunity, the cast and crew for the camaraderie, his family for the nurturing, and Ellie for the support.

**HANNAH MARIE FONDER '13** (*Sally*) is both humbled and thrilled to be working with such a talented cast and crew. She most recently appeared in *The Producers* with SummerStock Austin and *Carousel* at Mary Moody Northen Theatre. She would like to thank Jared for this wonderful opportunity, her family and friends, and her father for his immeasurable guidance and support.

**MATTHEW A. GARCIA '13** (*Jake*) most recently appeared in *Murder by Midnight* as the Bellhop for Mary Moody Northen Theatre's 10-Minute Play Festival. Born in McAllen, TX, Matthew has been acting on stage since his freshman year at McAllen Memorial High School. He is a theater major with a performance emphasis and a minor in communication. He would like to thank his parents, Adriana and Samuel Garcia, as well as his loving siblings for supporting him. He would also like to thank the new friends he has made during his time here at St. Edward's. "I love you all!"

**MEREDITH MONTGOMERY '12** (*Beth*) has previously been seen on the Mary Moody Northen Theatre stage as Honey in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf*? and as Dr. Defecato in *The Imaginary Invalid*. She is the producing director of Transit Theatre Troupe, an on campus theatre company. She is a Brown Scholar, which is an honor on campus for completing a year long outreach theater community service project. She will be assistant directing *The Crucible* for MMNT this spring.

JON RICHARDSON '14 (Frankie) has had lead roles in numerous productions including *Meet Me in St. Louis, The Miracle Worker, The Voice of the Prairie* and *Harvey.* This is his debut mainstage performance at Mary Moody Northen Theatre. Jon thanks his parents for being a major support, and his director for taking him places in acting he never thought possible.

**DANIELLE RICHTER** '11 (*Make-up/Hair Designer*) is designing her first show for the Mary Moody Northen Theatre and she is very grateful for the opportunity. She has worked as an assistant makeup and wig designer on shows such as ZACH Theatre's production of *The Book of Grace* directed by Suzan-Lori Parks and MMNT's Production of *Carousel* directed by Michael McKelvey. She would like to thank Tara Cooper for being an amazing mentor and believing in her work. Danielle would also like to thank her family, especially her mom, for all their love and support. PHILLIP OWEN (Sound Designer) is happy to be back among friends at Mary Moody Northen Theatre, where he most recently designed On the Verge and The Life of Galileo. Other credits: Spring Awakening (Zach Theatre, Austin), Measure for Measure and A Midsummer Night's Dream (Stonington Opera House, Maine), Notes from Underground (Yale Rep, La Jolla Playhouse, & Baryshnikov Arts Center), Rough Crossing (Yale Rep), and Waking (Yale Cabaret). He was assistant to the composer on A Steady Rain (NYC). He currently works as the lead sound engineer at the Alley Theatre in Houston. www.phillipowen.com

**JEN J. MADISON** (Costume Designer) has designed costumes for Mary Moody Northen Theatre's Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? and City of Angels, Austin Shakespeare's Love's Labor's Lost, Man and Superman, Anthem, The Tempest, DREAM: A Midsummer Night's Dream, Mary Stuart, Zilker Theater Production's Annie, Southwestern's The Man Who Came to Dinner, St. Stephen's School's Elephant Graveyard, the UT-Austin productions of Assassins and A Midsummer Night's Dream, and Dance Repertory Theatre's productions of Aria Redux, Parade, and Sextet. Her designs for Assassins, Mary Stuart, and Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? were each nominated for Best Costume Design by the Austin Critics' Table. Her costume designs for Assassins and A Midsummer Night's Dream both shared recognition with the scenic designs for "Beautiful designs at UT" in the Austin Chronicle article "Top 10 Wonderful Things About Austin Theatre in 2008 (In No Particular Order)."

**KATHRYN EADER** (Lighting Designer) most recently designed The Further Adventures of Hedda Gabler here at Mary Moody Northen Theatre. Other MMNT designs include Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? and Eurydice. In addition to her role as assistant professor of theater design for St. Edward's, Kathryn is the resident lighting designer for the Butler Opera Center at UT–Austin, where she has designed 12 productions including the world premieres of La Hija de Rappaccini and A View From the Bridge. This summer, she designed Bve Bve Birdie for Theatre Memphis. Kathryn comes to Austin most recently from Oklahoma City University. After completing her undergraduate degree at UT-Austin, Kathryn earned her MFA in lighting from New York University. She has worked extensively in opera with such companies as Houston Grand Opera, Portland Opera, Michigan Opera Theatre, Grande Theatre de Geneve and Lyric Opera of Chicago. Kathryn spends most of her time these days very focused on her most important productions - her three beautiful children - Josephine, Megan and Shane.

LISA LARATTA (Scene Designer) holds a Master of Fine Arts in Theatrical Design from UT-Austin, where she designed the plays Katrina: The Girl Who Wanted Her Name Back, two different productions of Ashes, Ashes (one of which was nominated for both an Austin Critics' Table Award and a B. Iden Payne Award for best set design), and the touring children's show Lilv Plants A Garden, for which she also designed the lighting and projections. Since graduating, Lisa has designed Ophelia and Black Snow, for which she received the B. Iden Payne Award for Best Set Design and the Austin Critics Table Award, and she also created the set for the original musical Murder Ballad Murder Mystery, also nominated for a B. Iden Payne Award and an Austin Critics Table Award for Best Set Design. She designed the set for Dance Repertory Theatre's Brerwood and Other Stories created and choreographed by David Justin in Winter 2009. In Fall 2010 Lisa worked with Rubber Rep to create the environment for Biography of Physical Sensation. With Paper Chairs, Lisa does the graphic design, produces and also designed the set for Machinal, Baal and Hillcountry Underbelly

SHANNON K. BISHOP '11 (Production Stage Manager) is proud to return to the Mary Moody Northen Theatre as the production stage manager for A Lie of the Mind. She has recently earned her degree in theatre arts administration and hopes to continue to work professionally in the Austin theater community. Shannon is also the managing director of Palindrome Theatre with which she recently completed a successful run of Hedda Gabler in Edinburgh, Scotland, for the International Fringe Festival. Some previous management credits include Palindrome Theater's At Home at the Zoo (production manager), MMNT's The Imaginary Invalid (production stage manager), Palindrome Theatre's Melancholy Play (production stage manager), and MMNT's The Life of Galileo. She would like to thank her dad for his never ending strength and support.

SAM SHEPARD (Playwright) A playwright, actor and director, Shepard began his career as a playwright in New York in 1964 with the Theatre Genesis production of two one-act plays. Cowboys and The Rock Garden, at St. Mark's Church-in-the-Bowery. His first full-length play, La Turista, was performed at the American Place Theatre and won an Obie in 1967. Mr. Shepard spent several successful seasons with off-off-Broadway groups such as La Mama and Caffe Cino and was playwright-in-residence at the Magic Theatre in San Francisco for a number of years. In 1979 he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Drama for Buried Child, and in 1984 he gained an Oscar nomination for his part as Chuck Yeager in The Right Stuff. Other plays by Sam Shepard include Mad Dog Blues (1971), True West (1980), A Lie of the Mind (1985), Simpatico (1993) and Eyes for Consuela (1998). His screenplay for Paris, Texas won the Golden Palm Award at the 1984 Cannes Film Festival. In 1986 he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Letters, and in 1992 he received the Gold Medal for Drama from the Academy. In 1994 he was inducted into the Theatre Hall of Fame.

JARED J. STEIN (Director) has locally directed The Man Who Came To Dinner, Escape From Happiness, Buried Child, Lysistrata, Suburbia and The Country Wife at Southwestern University and A Samuel Beckett Cabaret at the Salvage Vanguard Theater (FronteraFest 2011), the Krapp's Last Tape portion of which played at the Rhodopi Dramatichen Theatre (Smolvan, Bulgaria) this past summer. As the executive artistic director of the Rhodopi International Theatre Laboratory and the artistic director of Fourthworld Theatre Projects, Jared has overseen collaborations with partners from throughout the world since 2004 - resulting in work performed in the United States at theaters including La Mama E.T.C. (New York), Mixed Blood Theatre (Minneapolis), the McCarter Theatre Center (Princeton) and the Long Wharf Theatre (New Haven). He will be the producing artistic director of the first Condotto Interlog in Formello, Rome in June 2012, and during the 2009-2010 season, directed the national premiere of Tony Kushner's Angels In America: Millenium Approaches for the Skopje Dramski Theatre in Macedonia. A graduate of UCLA and Carnegie Mellon, Jared has taught at Southwestern University, the National Academy for Theatre and Film Arts (Sofia, Bulgaria) and UCLA, among others.

#### DAVID M. LONG (MMNT Artistic Director) is



an actor, director and educator who has worked professionally throughout the U.S. and in Japan. David has served as a faculty member at Winthrop University in South Carolina

and Portland State University in Oregon and currently serves as artistic director and associate professor of theater arts at St. Edward's University. Directing credits at Mary Moody Northen Theatre include *The Further Adventures of Hedda Gabler*, the world premiere production of David Chamber's *The Imaginary Invalid, On the Verge*, *bobrauschenbergamerica* (Austin Critics' Table Award for Outstanding Ensemble Performance), *Cloud 9, Full Circle* (Austin Critics' Table Award for Best Comedy), *Macbeth* and *Antigone*. At MMNT, he has appeared as Stone in *City of Angels*, as Cyrano (Austin Critics' Table Award for Outstanding Acting in a Leading Role) in *Cyrano de Bergerac* and as Leo Frank in *Parade*. David has presented acting and movement workshops throughout the country and is an active member in both Actors' Equity Association and the Screen Actors' Guild. He would like to thank his wife, Tracy, and daughters, Amelia and Alura, for their patience and loving support.

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Our program is made possible in part by the generous contributions of the Mary Moody Northen Theatre Society membership. Society contributions allow MMNT to provide students with resources for hands-on learning and to provide audiences with the rich production values that keep you returning to our performances year after year. Each year, Theatre Society members contribute more than \$24,000 to student scholarships, allowing us to maintain our commitment to educate a diverse group of Theater Arts students, regardless of their financial situation.

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