Gaslight
Baker
PRESENTS...

THE TRIAL OF EBENEZER SCROOGE



A FESTIVE HOLIDAY COMEDY BY MARK BROWN

DIRECTED BY STEPHEN REYNOLDS

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: BEVERLY GALANTE STAGE MANAGER/PROPS MASTER: LYDIA KETTLE



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THE TRIAL BBBNBZBR SCROOGE

Written by Mark Brown **Directed by Stephen Reynolds**

Time and Location

A courtroom in 1840s London One year after the events of A Christmas Carol

Act I

Testimony of Bob Cratchit, Fred, Sara Wainwright, Jacob Marley, Christmas Past, Fan, and Belle

Act II

Testimony of Fred, Bob Cratchit, Mrs. Dilber, and Christmas Future

The performance lasts approximately two hours Including one intermission

Please remember to silence your cell phones/pagers/chiming watches

CAST

(in alphabetical order)



Arthur DiBianca

(Jacob Marley)

Arthur DiBianca does most of his performing with the Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Austin, appearing this year as the Lord Chancellor in *Iolanthe*, Major-General Stanley in *The Pirates of Penzance* (2008), Pish-Tush in *The Mikado* (2005), Dr. Daly in *The Sorcerer* (2001), and many other productions. He also plays the clarinet with the Austin Philharmonic and the St. Edward's University Orchestra. He has lived in Austin since 1991.



Jason Foreman

(The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come)

Jason has landed a role of a lifetime, one without lines (kind of). As the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come he also has a chance to wield a scythe in public. But beyond the fun of being death, he is honored to be part of the talented group of thespians and grace the stage of the Gaslight-Baker. Jason has done numerous plays with the Emily Ann and

Wimberley Players theaters in Wimberley, including *Gospel According to Texas* and *Christmas Belles*. Enjoy the show, and remember under all those robes is the best looking man you shall ever meet, under six feet!



Carl Galante (Judge Stanchfield R. Pearson)

Carl Galante has played a variety of lead roles in productions with the Wimberley Players and the Emily Ann Theatre, such as Ben Franklin in 1776 and Tevye in Fiddler on the Roof. Carl is excited to join this Gaslight-Baker cast to give you a fresh new perspective on the original Christmas story. As Judge Pearson, he's a bigger curmudgeon than even Scrooge and he tries to run his courtroom like a well-oiled machine

and control the antics of Marley and the Ghosts of Christmas.



Kevin Gates

(Bailiff Connelly)

Kevin Gates is an attorney based in Austin, Texas. Recent credits include Antonio in "The Tempest" and Ambrose in "Medieval Macabre". Kevin also played guitar in the orchestra in "Big River" at the Palace in Georgetown.



Angela Irving

(The Ghost of Christmas Past/ Mrs. Dilber)

Angela is delighted to share the stage with so many delightfully silly people, in such a delightfully silly play, in the delightful BBQ Capital of Texas!! No stranger to the stage, Angela earned her Bachelors in Vocal Performance from the University of North Texas and has been singing and teaching voice lessons professionally for 6 years, 5 of those

in the Austin area. You can catch her onstage with the Austin Lyric Opera Chorus, the Gilbert & Sullivan Society, the Austin New Music Workshop, the Conspirare Symphonic Choir, and occasionally in the various karaoke bars of Austin. Angela would like to thank her friend, Stephen Reynolds, for pouring his heart, soul, and the contents of his wallet into this delightful production!!



Lydia Kettle

(Fan)

This is Lydia Kettle's third appearance on the Gaslight-Baker stage. She lives in Red Rock, TX and enjoys spending time with her husband and helping run her family's general store. She is also an active part in the Austin area film industry.



Dana Peschke (Mrs. Cratchit/The Translator)

Dana is making her second appearance at the Gaslight-Baker. She was last seen in *Amateurs*. Shes also been in *Dearly Departed, The Christmas Schooner, Camelot, Annie*, and *Children of Eden* at Slidell Little Theatre and *Lady House Blues* at Cast Theatrical. Dana is mother to two beautiful children, Ryan and Mikayla, and a military wife to her husband, Delynn, who retired as a Chief in the United States Coast Guard. When not on stage, she teaches 4th

graders in Giddings and spends time with her family. She wants to thank her family and friends for all of their love and support.



Mikayla Peschke

(Mary Cratchit)

Mikayla was last at the Gaslight-Baker in the kids' summer production of *Bully's Anonymous*. She also made guest appearances in *Peril on the High Seas*. She's been in *The Music Man* and *Children of Eden* and played ZuZu in *It's a Wonderful Life*. Mikayla spends her time competing on the Curtain Call cheer team and loves to draw. Mikayla wants to thank her mom and dad for letting her be in plays.



Ryan Peschke

(Korbyn Cratchit)

Ryan is making his first appearance here at the Gaslight Baker. He is no stranger to the stage. He has been in shows like "Annie", "Children of Eden", and "Pied Piper the Musical". He is a member of the Giddings Middle School Band and a member of the Boy Scouts. In his free time, he loves to read books and play video games. Ryan wants to thank his mom and dad for letting him be a part of the theatre.



Perry Redden

(Bob Cratchit)

Perry debuted in 2007 as Ross, Airline Steward, Mr. Scott, and Coach Angus in *Bright Ideas* at the Wimberley Players. Other credits include Galvin Clancy in *Roses Dilemma* and John Curtis Buntner and Elvis in the Christmas hit *Christmas Belles* on the Wimberley Players stage. He played Elvis, Johnny Cash, Tommy Smothers, and the hilarious Geraldine at the Emily Ann Theatre in 60's Sensation. His was recently

Ken in *Rumors* at the Wimberley Players. In 1999, Perry moved to Wimberley and is with Thyssen Krupp Elevator (formerly Dover Elevator) as the Construction Manager for Waco/Temple/Austin branches.



Derek Smootz

(Solomon Rothschild)

This is Derek's first performance in Lockhart. He's been busy elsewhere, having recently performed in *Exit the Body* (Richard Hammond) and *Hartburn Hotel* (Jasper Jones) with Leander's WOBCP, *The Mousetrap* (Christopher Wren) with The Wimberley Players, and *Iolanthe* (Strephon) with The Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Austin. Derek is a software tester at BMC Software in Austin. When he finds an evening

with no rehearsal scheduled, and spends this time writing electronic music in his home studio in a number of genres, most successfully as New Age/World Fusion project *Longing for Orpheus*. He would like to thank his girls, fiancee Becca, and puppy Pandora, for all their love and support.



Katherine Wiggins

(Sara Wainwright/ Belle/Mrs. Dilber)

Katherine most recently performed the roles of Rosina (*Il Barbiere di Siviglia*), Angelina (*La Cenerentola*), and Mercedes (*Carmen*) with the Spotlight on Opera program at St. Edward's University. She regularly performs with the Austin Lyric Opera and Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Austin, most recently as Fleta in *Iolanthe*. Katherine sings

and teaches voice and piano. She enjoys baking blueberry muffins, picking wildflowers, painting her fingernails, and spending time with friends and family.



Jay Young

(Fred)

Jay is happy to be at the Gaslight Baker for the first time. His theatre experience was mostly music-related. His performance resume includes roles with the Texas State Opera Workshop: *The Pirates of Penzance* (Pirate Chorus), *The Merry Widow* (Bogdanovich), and *The Merry Wives of Windsor* (Mr. Page); the chorus in several Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Austin productions and with the Austin Lyric Opera Chorus. Recently, he broke out of the music mold with

the Baron's Men's production of *Medieval Macabre* (Bernardo, Chiron, Tichbourne, Prince Edward). He has a Bachelor's in Music from Texas State and a Master's in Information Studies from the University of Texas, and currently works as an adjunct librarian at Austin Community College and a library clerk at the Legislative Reference Library.



Gary Yowell

(Ebenezer Scrooge)

Gary has participated in community theatre in the Wimberley area since 2003 and enjoys working with fellow members of this *Ebenezer* troupe. Gary has attended many entertaining productions at the Gaslight-Baker Theatre and thanks Stephen for affording him this opportunity to finally participate in one.

CREW

Beverly Galante

Assistant Director

After designing many sets, costumes and props in Wimberley, in 2006 she performed in 1776 at the opening of the new Wimberley Playhouse. She has performed at the Emily Ann Theater in several musical productions. More recently as a member of the corp group of the Senior Act Troupe, she played in 4 one act plays. She is taking a sabbatical from acting to be Stephen's Assistant Director.

Lacey Miller

Back Stage Hand

After performing in *The Gospel According to Texas* and *My Fair Lady* at the Emily Ann Outdoor Theatre in Wimberley, Lacey decided to try her hand at being part of the backstage crew. She has had a blast reuniting with old friends and making some new ones.

Delynn Peschke

Sound

Delynn was last seen working sound in the Gaslight-Baker's production of *Peril on the High Seas*. Delynn has been in *Camelot*, but he enjoys working behind the scenes the most. He has done sound for *The Music Man* and *Christmas Schooner*. Delynn has just retired from the US Coast Guard as a Chief and currently serves as Lee County's Emergency Management Coordinator. In his free time, he enjoys being outdoors and spending time with his family. He would like to thank his wife Dana and his kids for their love and support.

Stephen Reynolds

Director

Stephen is glad to be returning to directing after having been away from since he was in college. He is no stranger to the theatre or to The Gaslight-Baker Theatre stage. When he is not involved with theatre, and it does happen sometimes, he is involved with going on vacations, rock climbing, fixing up old antiques, spending time with his friends or seeing theatre other people are doing.

Janell Windham Lights

This is Janell's first assignment at the Gaslight-Baker. She is excited to learn lighting in a place with such history and at such beautiful time of year. Christmas is made so special with the right lights. She has previously enjoyed the stage life at the Emily Ann Theatre in Wimberley under the director, Angie Lasseter in the productions Fiddler on the Roof, 60's Sensation, and My Fair Lady.

A Special Thanks from Director Stephen Reynolds

Mark Brown, Mary McMillan, Lyn Favoccia, Jennifer Davis, Brian McKenna's Hill Country Painting for donating paint and stain for the set, Dan Herman, Miles Durkee, Randy Wachtel, David Schneider, Todd Martin, Janet Christian, Alan Krumm, Don Wilhelmsen, David Wilhelmsen, Cherie Weed, Scottish Rite Theatre, Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Austin, Christopher Bugge, Costume World, Emily Ann Theatre, Palace Theatre of Georgetown, Kd Sperling, Duane Kettle, Meredith Ruduski, and John Carroll and the Weird City Theatre.

If I forgot anyone, please forgive me. I would love to give a special thanks to the cast and crew. You all made this journey so worth taking and given me back a little bit of my Christmas spirit. Thank you.

FULL CAST AND CREW

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Perry Redden	Bob Cratchit
Derek Smootz	Solomon Rothschild
Katherine Wiggins	Sara Wainwright and Belle
Jay Young	Fred
Gary Yowell	Ebenezer Scrooge
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Production Staff

Sound 1

Props

Director	Stephen Reynolds
Assistant Director	Beverly Galante
Stage Manager/Props Master	Lydia Kettle
Technical Operators	Jason Foreman, Perry Redden Lydia Kettle, Lacey Miller Jay Young, Beverly Galante
Set and Lighting Design	Stephen Reynolds David Schneider Todd Martin

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Design	Delynn Peschke
	Carl Galante
	Stephen Reynolds

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	Cast and Crew
Mom. McMillon	Davarly Calenta

Costumes	Mary McMillan, Beverly Galante
	Jennifer Davis, John Carroll, many others
Set Construction and Painting	Stephen Reynolds, David Schneider
	Randy Wachtel, Beverly Galante
	Carl Galante, Gary Yowell

5	Soloists Angela Irving, Katherine Wiggins
	Keyboard Derek Smootz

Cast (singing final song)

Janet Christian

Program and Poster Design

Musical Selections:

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A word from the Director

Seasons Greetings and welcome to the Gaslight-Baker Theatre. As the theatre season for the Gaslight draws to a close I am glad to have been a part of what you will hopefully agree to be a wonderful show. Having seen how each actor has grown into their role and commanded it has been such a treat. I was truly blessed to be able to have this talented bunch and glad they can now share their wonderful talent of taking you, the audience, to another time with both familiar and new characters in playwright Mark Brown's story. I have had the pleasure of talking with Mark and am honored to have had his advice and friendship over the last year.

This is sort of a sequel to *A Christmas Carol* and for me. I've wanted to share this story for the stage for a multitude of reasons. But if I share you may be given a sneak peak at the future, and that is only to be done by the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come Instead, I shall only hope you find your own connection and enjoyment of our cast.

Break a leg, cast and have a good show, crew. I will be in the audience every show. Please remember there will be some nice surprises for the audience at the end of intermission and at the conclusion of the show so please enjoy.

Artistic Director Notes

Greetings and welcome to The Gaslight-Baker Theatre's final production of the 2009 season and the last production of my Artistic Director tenure. Hard to believe it's been 2 years since the merger of the 2 theatres and the opening production of *Last of The Red Hot Lovers* in Jan. of 2008. Time flies when you're having fun as they say and indeed I hope you are having as much fun watching as we are performing.

Our growth these two years has been strong thanks to your continued interest and support of our theatre here in Lockhart. Not only have we seen nice growth in attendance for our stage productions, but we have also brought in some new things like independent film premieres and musical revues.

Over five Gaslight-Baker Theatre shows have been recognized as their best in class from Austin Live Theatre, including best drama, best set design, and best overall play of 2008! We are working right now on finishing the seating for our balcony and hope to open it up to seating early in the coming new year. We are also looking to expand with the recent addition of the building next door, to open as another performance space to accommodate smaller productions, music performances, or whatever someone might have an interest in doing, as well as provide us much needed storage and work space.

The future is incredibly exciting and wide open!! We have an exciting new season lined up that includes comedies, a musical, a melodrama, a dramatic thriller, and a wonderful holiday comedy.

And please don't forget our annual gala & silent auction fund-raiser, which will be held on Jan 16, 2010. Tickets are only \$25 and in addition to admission to the gala you get listed as a Friend of the Theatre in the Season Program!

It's been tremendous fun and I can't thank you all enough..... here's looking at you for 2010! Break a leg!!