

TACOMA LITTLE THEATRE  
presents

# ABIE'S IRISH ROSE

by Anne Nichols

November 19, 20, 26, 27,  
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**CAST OF CHARACTERS**

Mrs. Isaac Cohen .....JOYCE WILSON  
Isaac Cohen .....BERNARD SIMON  
Dr. Jacob Samuels .....MARKKU SARIO  
Solomon Levy .....JEROME STEIN  
Abraham Levy .....CLANCE CARRIGAN  
Rose Mary Murphy .....TRACY THOMPSON  
Patrick Murphy .....J. SANBORN  
Father Whalen .....ERNEST HELLER  
Flower Girl .....JESSICA HELLER  
Flower Girl .....SHANNON ERVIN  
Director .....MARK LEWINGTON  
Assistant Director .....KIRK DIGERNESS

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Director ..... MARK LEWINGTON  
 Assistant Director ..... KIRK DIGERNESS  
 Set Designer ..... LARRY WAKEFIELD  
 Set Construction ..... MIKE WESTHOFF, JAN NIX  
 Set Decor ..... ALEX LEWINGTON, LARRY WAKEFIELD  
 Lighting Designer ..... DAVID LANE  
 Sound Technician ..... FRED ENGLERT  
 Costume Designer ..... ALEX LEWINGTON  
 Properties Crew ..... DANA HOLT, JOYCE JOHNSON,  
 KALA DRALLE, BARBARA MAY  
 Wardrobe Crew ..... BURNICE REYNOLDS, JANICE REEVES  
 Running Crew ..... ANNA PORTER, DANA HOLT  
 Stage Manager ..... GARY WILSON  
 Make-up Artist ..... GARY WILSON  
 Photographer ..... DEWEY

### *Acknowledgments*

We also wish to extend our sincere thanks to those members of the production staff whose names were not available at press time.

## THE 1982-83 SEASON

*83-84*

“APPLAUSE” book by Betty Comden and Adolph Green, music by Charles Strouse, Lyrics by Lee Adams  
 September 24 through October 9

“MURDER AMONG FRIENDS”  
 by Bob Barry  
 March 25 through April 9

“ABIES IRISH ROSE”  
 by Anne Nichols  
 November 19 through December 4

“THE GLASS MENAGERIE”  
 by Tennessee Williams  
 May 13 through May 28

“LILY, THE FELON'S DAUGHTER”  
 by Tom Taggart  
 January 28 through December 4

“ON GOLDEN POND”  
 by Ernest Thompson  
 June 24 through July 9

## SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

The time is the early 1920's.


ACT ONE — Solomon Levy's apartment New York.

ACT TWO — Same as above. (One week later)

ACT THREE — Abie and Rose Mary's apartment, New York. (Christmas Eve, one year later).


★ Refreshments will be available in the Lobby, during intermission.

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**JOIN THE TLT TROUPERS!** Our volunteer group needs you—help out in the office or as a Host or Hostess, Usher, or with Set Construction, Technical Crew, Props, Lighting, Sound or Costumes. Fill out a form (located in the lobby), call us or come by, if interested.

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**AUDITIONS FOR "LILY, THE FELONS DAUGHTER"** November 29th and 30th. A melodrama about a hero, weak but sincere, jailed in the Wild West and his sweetheart, Lily, pure as the driven snow.

Next production

**DISCOVERY ARTS PROGRAM:** The initial series was well received and successful. Further programs are being planned, but dates and details are still tentative. If you are interested in learning more about Creative Performing Arts please send a letter of application with name, address, phone, and age to the Tacoma Little Theatre at 210 No. "I" St. Tacoma, 98403.

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## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

**JOYCE WILSON (Mrs. Cohen)** was born in Lancashire, England. She came to the USA in Dec. 1952 and has lived in Germany, New York, Colorado Springs and Connecticut. She has been a resident of Tacoma for the past 14 years. Joyce studied drama in England and took classes at TCC. She has been active in church productions and is presently employed as a stenographer at McChord AFB, working for NORAD, Intelligence. **BERNARD SIMON (Mr. Cohen)** is a newcomer to the stage and is thoroughly enjoying the experience. This is a "great change of pace" says Bernie, who is the owner of Simon's Tack n' Togs, a retail store for riders. **MARKKU SARIO (the Rabbi)** has been active in amateur theatre in Oregon and Washington for many years, having performed in over 20 productions as an actor, pianist or director. His most recent appearance's were major roles in 'Sleuth' and 'The Fourposter' for Real World Players. Mark is an attorney in Tacoma. **JEROME STEIN (Solomon)** has appeared in such shows as 'Forty Carats', 'Anything Goes', 'Fiddler on the Roof', 'Anastasia' and 'H.M.S. Pinafore'. Jerome has an undergraduate degree in Communications-Advertising, earned at the University of Washington and is currently in his 3rd year at the UPS Law School. **CLANCE CARRIGAN (Abie)** was born in the front seat of a Hudson Hornet, three blocks from the hospital. It was his first entrance. Since then he has made other entrances in such productions as 'The Tavern', 'Oyster and the Pearl', 'Once Upon a Mattress', 'Two Gentleman of Verona' and others. He was recently seen as 'Happy' in the highly acclaimed TLT production, 'Death of A Salesman.' **TRACY THOMPSON (Rose Mary)** returns to TLT after spending last season playing 'Carrie' in 'Carousel', 'Lizzie Curry' in 'The Rainmaker' and 'Isabella' in a company of 'Wayward Saints' at Lakewood Playhouse. She has been at TLT in 'Wild Goose Chase', 'Scrooge' and 'Love Rides The Rails.' **J. SANBORN CLAPP (Patrick)** was last seen at TLT in 'Born Yesterday' and was the winner of the 'Dickie Award' for his performance in 'Last of the Red Hot Lovers'. He has been in community theater for 17 years and is loving it more all the time. He says that the support of his wife and the tolerance of his children has made this possible. **ERNEST HELLER (Father Whalen)** is an Administrative Law Judge for the State of Washington. His theatrical experience includes 'Scrooge', 'Gypsy', 'Carousel' and 'The Rainmaker'. **JESSICA HELLER (flower girl)** is a 2nd grade student at Sunset School. She has appeared in 'Gypsy' at TLT and 'Carousel' at Lakewood Playhouse. **SHANNON ERVIN (flower girl)** is making her theatrical debut in 'Abie's Irish Rose'. Shannon is 13 and attends Ballon Jr. High School. She enjoys writing and art. **MARK LEWINGTON (director)** has appeared in several productions in local theatres. This is his directorial debut. **KIRK LEE DIGERNESS (Assistant Director)** has a varied background in front of the footlights as well as

backstage. As a member of FSCC Strolling Players troupe in 1980, he helped write and perform the original childrens show 'Fantasies'. The show was presented to 50 schools locally and then went on to a tour of Mazatlan. As Assistant Director, this is Kirks first project with TLT.