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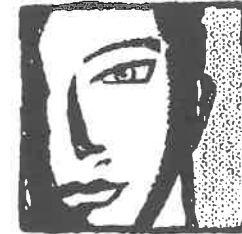
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EDUCATING RITA



A Comedy By Willy Russell

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'Educating Rita'

by Willy Russell

Cast in Order of Appearance

Randy Clark.....Frank
Tracy Thompson.....Rita

Synopsis of Scenes

A journey into the world of literature, seen through the eyes of a hairdresser who is fulfilling a lifelong ambition to be 'educated,' the play includes the insightful interchanges and discoveries for the professor who leads the way. The impact of new idea is humorously documented as Rita responds naturally to the classics and causes Frank to re-think both content and methods.

Setting:

The action takes place in a first-floor room in a university in the north of England. Time is the present.

Act One

- Intermission-

Act Two

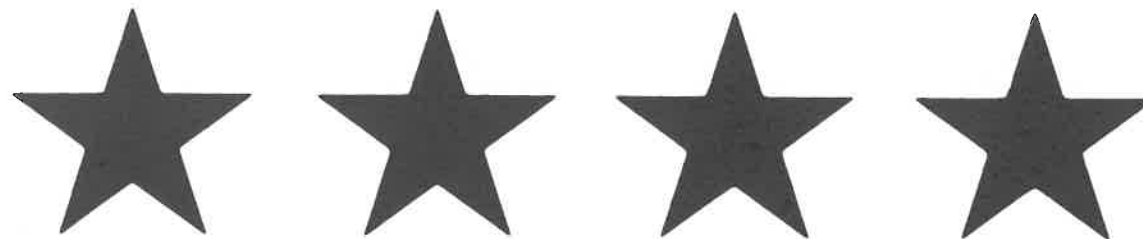
About the Cast:

Randy Clark (Frank) has performed frequently at TLT, appearing in 'Strange Snow' and 'Crimes of the Heart' last season. During a sojourn in Los Angeles, Randy appeared in a variety of productions and provided technical support.

Tracy Thompson (Rita) appeared in 'See How They Run' this season at TLT and in 'Whodunnit?' last season. She appeared in 'Wild Oats' at the Performance Circle and has done a variety of roles in earlier TLT productions.

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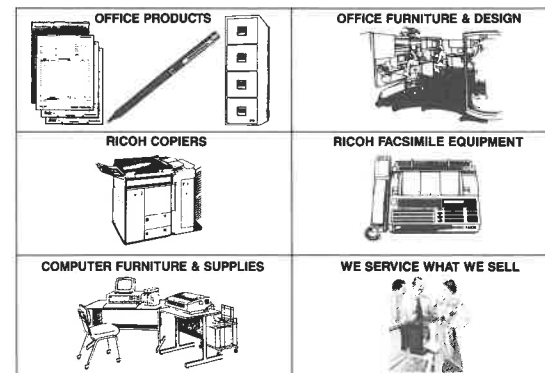
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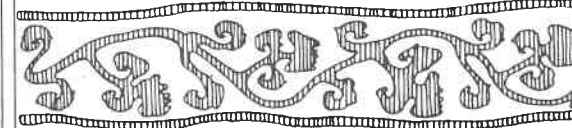
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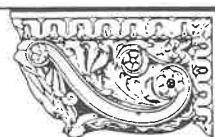
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The Director:

Mark Sheppard last directed 'Oliver!' at TLT to the delight of sold-out houses. His work with children at the Northwest School and Lakeside School, where he is drama instructor, enables him to bring special insight to works that include young people in the cast. He is ideally suited to direct this play about a professor-student relationship. Mark's teaching is complemented by directing assignments throughout the region. Last summer he directed 'Taming of the Shrew' for Shakespeare Northwest in Tacoma.

Director's Notes:

'To educate' means 'to lead.' So education involves both a leader and a lead-ee. In the most rewarding experiences, those roles often blur and interchange. So Rita, the disaffected hairdresser, leads the dissipated Scotch-soda professor to become the inspiring teacher he never thought he could be. And Frank leads Rita through the world of literature to discover her own voice and a new song to sing. But what happens when the student discovers she no longer needs her mentor--and when the teacher finds that he may have destroyed the unique spirit of his student in his efforts to educate her.

In my own teaching career, I have now taught over two thousand students, and each of them has taught me something important about what it means to be a teacher. This one is for all of them--and for Alex.

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