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There will be NO Intermission

◆ **Director's Bio** ◆

Marie Ruzicka is pleased to be back at TLT to direct *Eleemosynary*, after directing and choreographing both *Quilters* and *Fiddler on the Roof* last season. Other directing credits include: *Sweet Charity* and *Peter Pan - The Musical* at Seattle's Civic Light Opera; *Wizard of Oz* at the Orcas Center on Orcas Island; *Dracula* and *Barefoot in the Park* at Enter Act Theatre; *Everyman* and *Waiting for Godot*. She has also directed numerous industrials, workshops, music videos and cabarets. Marie wishes to thank the cast, crew, staff and designers on *Eleemosynary* and a special thanks to Eric and Frederic.

"I discovered that once you attempt to look at the world through the eyes of the other sex no matter how imperfectly - you see a very different world."

- Lee Blessing

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Please no flash photography.
 Please no family or friends backstage.

Eleemosynary

By Lee Blessing
 Produced with Special Arrangement with Dramatists Play Service Inc

Cast

Dorothea Maggie Gray
 Artie Christine Sperry
 Echo Casi Nicole Wilkerson
 Understudy LS Llewellyn

Production Crew

Director Marie Ruzicka
 Scenic Designer Kristy Aldrian
 Costume Designer Paula Swenson
 Lighting Designer Sarah Talbot
 Sound Designer Maura Cullen-Couch
 Stage Manager LS Llewellyn
 Asst Stage Manager Pat Mitchell
 Properties Linda Duley
 Light Board Operator Katherine Duley
 Sound Operator LS Llewellyn
 Master Carpenter Tim Kelly, Dave Duley, Kristy Aldrian
 Scenic Painting Kristy Aldrian, Amber Han Men, Jennifer Stephens,
 Sarah Corbin, Shelly Stone, Jennifer Dalton, Karen Davis
 Seamstresses Karen Rice, Kathy Domkowski, Jennifer Brewer,
 Colleen Brewer, Debbianne Owen-Craft

◆ **Cast Bios** ◆

Dorothea, Maggie Gray - Maggie is originally from Los Angeles and a graduate of Stanford. She's studied acting at Pierce College & Seattle Actor's Lab and wants to do film and television. She enjoys her children, grandchildren, 3 cats, Verdi Opera, Gourmet Cooking, "The Boss", skiing, gardening, reading, Shakespeare and chocolate. Maggie last appeared at TLT in *The Crucible*.

Artie, Christine Sperry - Christine wishes to her angel on Earth, Mamacita and guardian angel up above, her grandma - Happy Mother's Day! She loves you. She thanks the cast & crew for a wonderful experience. "To Marie, Casi and Maggie, I give you all wings...FLY!" She thanks Douglas for his constant support, encouragement and love.

Echo, Casi Wilkerson - 50 words or less? Oh dear, that's rough for "vocal Casi". At the age of 4, Casi earned her first leading role as the one and only *Whinney the Pooh*. *Bijouterie* is truly a perfect word to describe the beautiful ladies...

Marie, Maggy & Christine - "I adore you". She would like to thank the Lord for blessing her with a beautiful family & their fortunate "healthyness" and Tony her newlywed - love, soul-mate, best friend- for saving her and being her "lifetime teammate!"

Understudy, LS Llewellyn - Her credits include *The Importance of Being Earnest*, *I've Been to See Sophie*, *Stalking Rainbows*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *A Company of Wayward Saints*.

An Eleemosynary Lexicon:

Below are a few of the unusual words that the character Echo studies to prepare for her spelling bees.

Autochthonous (adj) *Native to a place; indigenous; aboriginal:* **bijouterie** (n) *Jewelry; a collection of jewels:* **cathexis** (n) *Concentration of psychic energy upon a person, fantasy, idea or object:* **deodand** (n) *In early English law, any personal property instrumental in causing a person's death and therefore forfeited to the crown for pious uses:* **detritus** (n) *Geological term meaning fragments or particles loosened by erosion or glacial action:* **donzel** (n) *Unknighted gentleman;* **page:** **dysphemism** (n) *Opposite of euphemism:* **eleemosynary** (adj) *Of, for, or supported by charity:* **esurient** (adj) *Hungry, greedy:* **euphrasy** (n) *Eyebright, an herbal plant (from the Greek "delight"):* **favonian** (adj) (1) *Of or relating to Favonius, the west wind personified in Roman mythology (2) Propitious:* **fogdog** (n) *A luminous or glowing area in a fogbank:* **glunch** (v) *To frown, look sullen; (n.) A sullen look:* **graupel** (n) *Small, compact pellets of snow; Greek for hailstone:* **hebetude** (n) *The state of being dull or obtuse; lethargy:* **limicolous** (adj) *Living in mud, as with worms:*

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logodaedaly (n) *A playing with words:* **marmoreal** (adj) *Pertaining to, made of or resembling marble:* **nugatory** (adj) *Having no power; inoperative; worthless or meaningless:* **nutatation** (n) *The act of nodding:* **oppugn** (v) *To assail or oppose with argument:* **paronymous** (adj) *Words having the same root:* **phthisis** (n) *Tuberculosis of the lungs; progressive destruction of tissue or emaciation:* **prink** (v) *To dress or adorn (oneself) for show:* **quiddity** (n) *The essence of a thing; subtle or trifling distinction or objection:* **rataplan** (n) *A rapidly repeated sound such as the beating of a drum:* **revenant** (n) *One who or that which returns; ghost or apparition:* **sortilege** (n) *The act or practice of drawing lots;* **divination by lots: **syllipsis** (n) *A rhetorical figure in which a word's meaning changes unexpectedly:* **ugsome** (adj) *Ugly; rejected:* **ungulate** (adj) *Having hooves:* **withershins** (adv) *Scottish term for "in the opposite direction; reversed":* **zenana** (n) *In India, the women's apartments;* **East Indian harem: **zonule** (n) *Small zone, belt or ring*****