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DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE ARTS PRESENTS

URINETOWN MUSICAL



Urinetown: The Musical

Music & Lyrics by Mark Hollmann
Book & Lyrics by Greg Kotis
Directed by Catherine Doherty
Music Directed by Brittany Proia
Choreographed by Sumire Muratsu '24 (Theatre Arts)

April 12, 13, 18-20 at 8:00 p.m. April 14, 20 & 21 at 2:00 p.m.

Parker Theatre

URINETOWN is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.





WARNING:

This production makes use of haze and fog-in-a-can, an organic spray.

DRAMATURG NOTE

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Dramaturg Barclay Travis

"And besides, the way I see it, I'm already in Urinetown. We all are. Even you."

So... what is Urinetown? If you're asking yourself this, you're already starting to understand the show. *Urinetown* is a campy musical about oppression, revolution, and hope (not Hope, though it is also about her.) However, Urinetown (the place) is a big question mark that hangs over the heads of the show's ensemble. The characters present several options for what they think Urinetown could be, or what they know it to be: "a tool," "a lie," or "a metaphysical place." Early in the events of *Urinetown*, the cops make it clear that Urinetown (the place) doesn't exist. Urinetown, in a literal sense, is the act of execution for their crimes.

Thus begins the dramatic irony of the show. You—yes, you—know the secret of Urinetown, and the fate that some of these characters will meet, and in knowing the truth, you've lost some of the tension and fear that you might've otherwise felt during the performance.

Urinetown (the musical) is a show that plays with the ideas of Bertolt Brecht, a German theatre practitioner who believed that theatre should not be a method of escapism, but a forum for political ideas. Brecht pioneered something called "Epic Theatre," a form of theatre that rallies against what is traditionally expected of audience members: we cannot be complacent as we watch, instead we must think critically about the work itself. The hallmark of Epic Theater is what Brecht called "The Distancing Effect," which does not allow the audience to suspend their disbelief or get lost in the work, instead keeping them constantly aware of the fact that they're watching a performance. In our production of Urinetown, look out for some of Brecht's distancing methods: explanatory title cards, fourth wall breaks, mid-scene interruptions, and explicit, direct exposition. In order for you to fully experience Urinetown, you must acknowledge that it is not just a musical to entertain you, but a cautionary tale.

As such, we invite you to both Urinetown and Urinetown. Keep your head on a swivel, and enjoy the show.

CAST

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Bobby Zach Gamache Hope Ryen Weston Little Sally Julia Dubinsky Pennywise Lia Cardone Lockstock Lennon Lotardo Barrel Seamus Greene Cladwell Simon Woods McQueen Ashley Hoffmann Rocco Grancio Fipp/Billy Boy Old Man Strong Luke Anderson Soupy Sue/DANCE CAPTAIN Khiara Richards **Becky Two Shoes Emily Ferry Josephine Strong** Olivia Hovis **Hot Blades Harry** Jabzy Kisob Mrs. Millenium Jade Kee-Corrado Dr. Billeaux Gab Salerno Cladwell's Secretary/Tiny Tom Emilia Guzzetta Robbie the Stockfish Grace Hoey

SWINGS

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Pennywise/Josephine Mia Mirabile
Hope/Sally Sara McAuliffe
Bobby/Hot Blades Harry/Tiny Tom
Lockstock/Barrel Joey Basile-Faicco

CREATIVE TEAM

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DIRECTOR

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DRAMATURG

SET DESIGN

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Catherine Doherty

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Kaitlyn Kociela Taylor

Charlotte Palmer-Lane

Hope Lantz-Gefroh

Lily Rutski

Dani Rosenfeld

X Alexander

Luiza Braga

Eileen Bronk

Daniel Cadena

Malachi Faulk

Hannah Goldberg

Grace Hoev

Olivia Hutchinson

Sarah Kaye

Hope Lantz-Gefroh

Kiera Lynch

Tierney O'Brien

Caroline Oehl

Olivia Riddle

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Lilv Rutski

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Lily Rutski

Brionna McDonald

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