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# SIDE BY SIDE BY SONDHEIM

A Musical Entertainment (1976)

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and music by

Leonard Bernstein, Mary Rodgers, Richard Rodgers, Jule Styne
Continuity by Ned Sherrin

Direction & Musical Staging by Paul Blake

Musical Director Harper MacKay

Lighting by Derek Duarte

Dance Consultant Michael Levy

# The Cast

Richard Butterfield George Deloy Gina Ferrall Jack Fletcher Deborah May Gretchen Wyler

Pianists: Harper MacKay, John Johnson Stage Manager: Eugene Barcone

Produced on Broadway by Harold Prince in association with Ruth Mitchell.

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# MUSICAL NUMBERS

# ACT I

"Comedy Tonight" and "Love Is in the Air"  "If Momma Was Married"  "You Must Meet My Wife"  "The Little Things"  "Getting Married Today"  "I Remember"  "Can That Boy Foxtrot"  "Company"  "Another Hundred People"  "Barcelona"  "Marry Me a Little"  "I Never Do Anything Twice"  "Beautiful Girls"  "Ah Paree!"  "Buddy's Blues"  "Broadway Baby"	Deborah May, Gina Ferrall George Deloy, Gretchen Wyler Company Deborah May, Gina Ferrall, Richard Butterfield Richard Butterfield Deborah May, Gina Ferrall, Gretchen Wyler Company Gina Ferrall Richard Butterfield, Deborah May George Deloy Gretchen Wyler Richard Butterfield, George Deloy Deborah May Jack Fletcher
"Broadway Baby"	Gretchen Wyler
"You Could Drive a Person Crazy"	. Gina Ferrall, Deboran May, Richard Butterfield

# INTERMISSION

# ACT II

"Everybody Says Don't"	
"Anyone Can Whistle"	
"Send In the Clowns"	Gretchen Wyler
"We're Gonna Be All Right"	
"A Boy Like That"	Gina Ferrall, Deborah May
"The Boy From"	Gina Ferrall
"Pretty Lady"	Richard Butterfield, George Deloy, Deborah May
"You Gotta Get a Gimmick"	Gina Ferrall, Jack Fletcher, Deborah May
"Losing My Mind"	
"Could I Leave You?"	
"I'm Still Here"	Gretchen Wyler
"Conversation Piece" (Medley) and "Side by Side by Side".	

# Who's Who at A.C.T.



RICHARD BUTTERFIELD has appeared at A.C.T. as Tony in Woman in Mind, Edgar in King Lear, Captain Cummings in *Diamond Lil*, the Soldier in Sondheim's Sunday in the Park with George, Billy in The Real Thing, Young Scrooge in A Christmas Carol, and in Faustus in Hell and Feathers. Mr. Butterfield has also worked with the San Jose Repertory Company, Berkeley Shakespeare Festival, Berkeley Jewish Theatre, and Theatre-Works of Palo Alto (where he performed in Sondheim's Merrily We Roll Along), and he sang for three years with the Stanford Mendicants. Among his other roles are Freddie in Good, Navarre in Love's Labour's Lost, Francis Flute in A Midsummer Night's Dream, and Catesby in Richard III. A graduate of A.C.T.'s Advanced Training Program, he also holds a B.A. from Stanford (as does his wife Glynn, who works in video and film production), and teaches and directs in the A.T.P. and Young Conservatory. Mr. Butterfield was recently elected to A.C.T.'s Board of Trustees.



**GEORGE DELOY** has appeared with A.C.T. as Deeley in *Old Times* and Dennis in *Loot*; played Eilert Lovborg in *Hedda* 

Gabler at the Mark Taper Forum and Henry in *The Real Thing* at Seattle Rep; appeared in The Robber Bridegroom on Broadway and on tour, and in El Grande de Coca-Cola off-Broadway; and worked at the Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park in The Imaginary Invalid. He met his wife, Deborah May, at the Old Globe in San Diego when they were playing the lovers Orlando and Rosalind in As You Like It, and appeared there with her in Marry Me a Little and Feydeau's There's One in Every Marriage, and without her in London Assurance, A Midsummer Night's Dream, The Torchbearers, and Love's Labour's Lost (as Berowne). His many television appearances include roles on "St. Elsewhere," "9 to 5," "Days of Our Lives," "Star of the Family," "Night Court," and "Family Business."



GINA FERRALL is a graduate of A.C.T.'s Advanced Training Program, and has appeared at the Geary in Side by Side by Sondheim, Marco Millions, Golden Bou, Diamond Lil, Cat Among the Pigeons, A Christmas Carol, I Remember Mama, The Admirable Crichton, and Sunday in the Park with George. She also performed in *Masquerade*, a cabaret of songs by Andrew Lloyd-Webber, and played Lizzie in the Plays-in-Progress production of Lizzie Borden in the Late Afternoon. Miss Ferrall has appeared with the Santa Rosa Summer Repertory Theatre, at Montana's Shakespeare in the Parks, in Berkeley Rep's production of The Art of Dining, and as Emily in All Nighters at the New Arts Theatre in New York. She is co-owner of the Josef Robe Co. of San Francisco.



JACK FLETCHER has appeared in sixteen Broadway shows including Can-Can, Lorelei, 1776, Wonderful Town, Drat!, The Cat, and Ben Franklin in Paris. He was in the original company of Sugar Babies for two years, traveling with it from San Francisco to Broadway, and appeared at the Ahmanson Theatre in Los Angeles in She Loves Me and Another Part of the Forest. His feature films include Any Wednesday, The Tiger Makes Out, A New Leaf, Off Beat, Pennies from Heaven, and Elvira, Mistress of the Dark. He has been a regular on "Calucci's Department," "The Bob Crane Show," and "Susan Anton Presents," and has had recurring roles as the landlord, Mr. Whitterdale, in "The Jeffersons," as Swackhammer in "Gimme a Break," and in "King's Crossing." His nightclub work includes appearing in five Julius Monk reviews in New York at the Upstairs at the Downstairs and Plaza 9.



DEBORAH MAY last appeared with A.C.T. as Anna in *Old Times*. In seven seasons with the company she played over twenty roles, including Roxane in *Cyrano de Bergerac*, Desdemona in *Othello*, Gwendolen in *Travesties*, Yelena in *Uncle* 

Vanya, and parts in The Matchmaker, The Circle, and You Can't Take It With You. She has appeared on Broadway in Once in a Lifetime and Romantic Comedu: worked with the Mark Taper Forum (Wild Oats, Traveler in the Dark, The American Clock, Mrs. California), the Guthrie, Seattle Rep, and Actors Theatre of Louisville; and spent eight summers at the Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts (Hedda Gabler, The Unsinkable Molly Brown) and several seasons at the Old Globe, where she played Lady Anne in John Houseman's production of Richard III. She has appeared regularly on TV ("L.A. Law," "St. Elsewhere," "Hotel," "Falcon Crest," "Golden Girls"), and in the film Johnny Be Good. She and her husband. George Deloy, have a 2-year-old daughter, Alexandra.



GRETCHEN WYLER, who played the title role in *Diamond Lil* at A.C.T last season. was still a teenager when she first hit Broadway, fresh from Bartlesville, Oklahoma by way of the corps de ballet of the St. Louis Municipal Opera. She started in the chorus of Where's Charley? with Ray Bolger, moving on to the original company of Guys and Dolls. Her performance as the singing, dancing lead of Cole Porter's last show Silk Stockings (with Don Ameche) won her an Outer Circle Critics' Award. Her name went up in lights as the star of Damn Yankees and Bye Bye Birdie, and then as Sweet Charity in London's West End. Other credits include starring roles in the national companies of Destry Rides Again and Your Own Thing, stock appearances in Mame, Applause, Anything Goes, and Hello, Dolly!, and the Williamstown Theatre Festival in The Man Who Came to Dinner. Her last Broadway show was Sly Fox with George C. Scott. Television audiences have seen her as a guest star in recent episodes of "Falcon Crest." as Dr. Conrad on "Dallas," and as a regular in "On Our Own" (CBS). She had a featured role in the film *Private Benjamin*. Two season ago Ms. Wyler starred in *Follies* at the San Jose Civic Light Opera, for which she won Drama-Logue and Bay Area Theatre Critics' Circle Awards. She has plans to take *Diamond Lil* to London, and then on a national tour.



STEPHEN SONDHEIM (Composer/Lyricist) wrote the scores for Into the Woods, Sunday in the Park with George, Merrily We Roll Along, Sweeney Todd, Pacific Overtures, A Little Night Music, The Frogs, Follies, Company, Anyone Can Whistle, and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, as well as the lyrics for West Side Story, Gypsy, and Do I Hear a Waltz? and additional lyrics for Candide. Side by Side by Sondheim and Marry Me a Little are anthologies of his works as composer and lyricist. He composed the film scores for Stavisky and *Reds*, and songs for the television production "Evening Primrose," and he coauthored the film The Last of Sheila. He is on the council of the Dramatists Guild and served as its president from 1973 to 1981. He was elected to the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters in 1983.

# DIRECTORS,-DESIGNERS, AND STAFF

EDWARD HASTINGS (Artistic Director), who assumed the leadership of A.C.T. early in 1986, is a graduate of Yale College and the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. A founding member of A.C.T., he directed *Charley's Aunt* and *Our Town* during the company's first two San Francisco seasons. Since then he has staged many A.C.T. productions, including *The Time of Your Life, The House of Blue Leaves, Street Scene, Fifth of July, The Real Thing*, and last season's *King Lear*. In 1972 he founded the company's Plays-

in-Progress program, which is devoted to the development and presentation of new theatre writing. Mr. Hastings served as a resident director at the Eugene O'Neill Playwrights' Conference for three summers, and taught acting in 1984 at the Shanghai Drama Institute as part of the Theatre Bridge Program between A.C.T. and the Shanghai theatre; this year the program has taken a major step forward with the residence at A.C.T. of three theatre artists from Shangai for the season's opening production, Marco Millions. He directed a national company of the London and Broadway musical Oliver!, staged the American production of Shakespeare's People starring Michael Redgrave, directed the Australian premiere of The Hot 1 Baltimore, and restaged his A.C.T. production of Sam Shepard's Buried Child in Serbo-Croatian at the Yugoslav Dramatic Theatre in Belgrade. He has been a guest director at major resident theatres throughout the country. In addition to his ongoing work as a teacher in the A.C.T. Conservatory, Mr. Hastings will direct the repertory production of When We Are Married this season.

JOHN SULLIVAN (Managing Director) joined A.C.T. as its chief administrative officer in 1986. A former deputy director of the California Arts Council, he is a director of Theatre Bay Area and a member of the Advisory Committee of the Graduate School of Arts Administration at Golden Gate University. A native San Franciscan, Mr. Sullivan has been active in the theatre since the mid-1970's, when he directed Harvey Perr's Afternoon Tea for the Circle Repertory Company in New York. Later he was associated with the Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles as a resident director, producer, and head of the Forum Laboratory. More recently he produced *The* Detective, a collaboration between Joseph Chaikin and Vaudeville Nouveau at San Francisco's Magic Theatre, and served on the Advisory Board of the San Francisco New Vaudeville Festival. Mr. Sullivan has directed and produced numerous short films, including three that were featured on the national Emmy Awards broadcast. His writings include The National Outdoor Leadership School's Wilderness Guide, a manual for camping and mountaineering published by Simon and Schuster. Over the past 15 years Mr. Sullivan has consulted in the field of communications with a variety of organizations throughout the country, including the California Roundtable, Kansas City Power and Light, and the Rand Corporation.

SABIN EPSTEIN (Conservatory Co-director) has been a member of A.C.T.'s training faculty since 1973, and has been a guest instructor at Temple University, the University of California at Davis, and U.C./San Diego, where he directed Guus and Dolls. He has also directed productions as a guest artist at the University of Washington, California Institute of the Arts, and S.U.N.Y./Purchase; his recent studio productions for A.C.T.'s Advanced Training Program have included Cloud 9. The AIDS Show, Tartuffe, Heartbreak House, and Nicholas Nickleby, Part I. This season he directed A.C.T.'s production of Woman in Mind at the Geary, where he previously staged The Immigrant and Private Lives. Mr. Epstein has also worked at the Georgia, Oregon, and Utah Shakespeare Festivals, and at San Diego Rep. where he directed A Christmas Carol and Hard Times. He is co-author, with John Harrop, of Acting with Style (published by Prentice-Hall).

SUSAN STAUTER (Conservatory Co-director) came to A.C.T. a year ago as Director of the Young Conservatory. She is a playwright (her *Miss Fairchild Sings* was recently produced at Little Victory Theatre in Los Angeles), director (more than 40 productions), actress (Cabaret Repertory Theatre), and educator. She earned her M.A. from the University of California at Fullerton, taught in southern California for 14 years (earning a citation for outstanding teaching in 1986-87), and served as Chairman of the Theatre Department of the Los Angeles County High School for the Arts. At the Conservatory she has created and directed Who Are These People? (in collaboration with Scott Freeman). Find Me a Hero, The Wildest Storm of All (Teenage Voices Confront AIDS), and To Whom It May Concern. Ms. Stauter has been a creative consultant at Disneyland, and toured to Alaska as playwrightin-residence with the Oregon Shakespearean Festival.

PAUL BLAKE (Director), who was a resident director at A.C.T. for five years, is

co-founder and Artistic Director of the Santa Barbara Theatre Festival. He coproduced (with Bill Kenwright) and directed Words and Music, starring Sammy Cahn, at the Duke of York's Theatre in London's West End following an eleven-week run in San Francisco, where he garnered a Drama Theatre Critics' Circle Award. (The show returned to town for another run this fall.) Among the many productions he has directed in stock and regional theatres throughout the country are Barefoot in the Park with Shaun Cassidy and Julia Duffy, Mass Appeal with John Travolta and Charles Durning, and *She Loves Me* with Pam Dawber and Joel Higgins, which played at the Ahmanson in Los Angeles. He has served as a consultant for development for Polygram Television, and as writer/director for the Peabody Award-winning series "Over Easy," starring Hugh Downs. He has been responsible for bringing dozens of stars, such as Peggy Lee, Julie Harris, Cheryl Ladd, Vic Tayback, Donna McKechnie, Valerie Bertinelli, and Sally Kellerman to perform at Santa Barbara Festival Theatre. Last season Mr. Blake directed Diamond Lil at A.C.T., and last summer he was Artistic Director of the American Musical Theatre of San Francisco, whose premiere season featured Annie Get Your Gun and You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown.

DEREK DUARTE (Lighting) is now in his fourth season as A.C.T.'s resident lighting designer. Last season he designed eight productions, including King Lear, End of the World With Symposium to Follow. and Feathers. Past lighting designs for A.C.T. include the award-winning productions of Sunday in the Park with George and Faustus in Hell. Mr. Duarte's work has been seen in the Berkeley Repertory Theatre production of *Hard Times* as well as at the Los Angeles Theatre Center, Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, San Jose Rep, and Berkeley Shakespeare Festival, and at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. In 1986 he was awarded a Theatre Communications Group grant to observe lighting designers in New York City. Mr. Duarte, who holds an M.F.A. in theatre technology from U.C.L.A., is on the faculty of Chabot College.

HARPER MACKAY (Musical Director, Pianist) was musical supervisor for Diamond Lil at A.C.T. last season, and appeared onstage as Ragtime Kelly, the piano player. A native of Boston who studied piano at the New England Conservatory of Music, graduated from Harvard, and earned his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Southern California, he has worked in various musical capacities in film, television, and stage productions since the 1950's, and for the last 25 years has been musical director of the American Center for Music Theater in Los Angeles. He has conducted musicals in Boston, St. Louis, and Los Angeles: he was pianist and arranger for the film versions of My Fair Lady, The Sound of Music, West Side Story, and Pennies from Heaven; and he has been musical director for NBC specials starring Carol Channing, Danny Thomas, Sammy Davis, and many others. He previously appeared in San Francisco with the Civic Light Opera, and recently was musical director of Sammy Cahn's Words and Music at Marines Memorial Theatre.

JOHN JOHNSON (Pianist) has worked at the Geary as musical director of the West Coast premiere production of Stephen Sondheim's Sunday in the Park with George at A.C.T., for which he won a Drama-Logue Award; and last summer as conductor of Annie Get Your Gun and You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown for the American Musical Theatre of San Francisco. He was also musical director for the 1987 San Francisco production of *Nunsense*. Before coming to the Bay Area Mr. Johnson spent seven seasons as Musical Director of the P.C.P.A. Theatrefest in Solvang and Santa Maria. He now serves on the faculty of A.C.T.'s Conservatory, where he teaches singing and musical theatre.

EUGENE BARCONE (Stage Manager) is a charter member of A.C.T. He has worked on more than 70 productions for the company, plus the television adaptations of *A Christmas Carol*, *The Taming of the Shrew*, and *Cyrano de Bergerac*, and he has directed for Plays-in-Progress. As an associate director in the company he has been associated with Laird Williamson's annual production of *A Christmas Carol* for many years.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

#### BOX OFFICE INFORMATION

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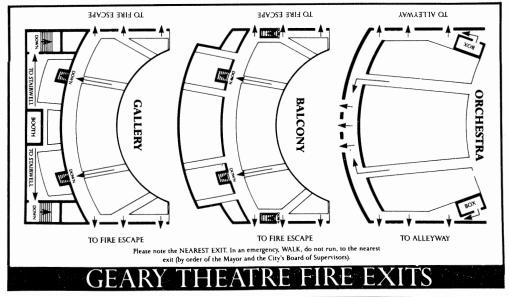
BART and Muni: The Powell Street Station is just four blocks from the theatre. Follow Powell Street to Geary, turn left and walk one block to Mason. Major Muni bus lines stop within one block. For schedules call (415)465-BART or 673-MUNI.

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