

Eno Memorial Hall, Simsbury, Connecticut

A Note from the Director

A few weeks ago, someone asked me why I thought "Pride and Prejudice" is still so popular, even after 200 years. After all, there are other classics that have not garnered the kind of attention Jane Austen books get. My immediate short answer was, "It's a romance." But it's a special one. Austen, in my opinion, has a knack for creating characters that we can all identify with, even today. Who among us has not known a handsome and charming man who turned out to be not at all what he seemed, or someone who is socially awkward and doesn't quite fit in, or even (heaven forbid) suffered embarrassing family members? Who among us has never judged someone based on their first impression, only to find out they had been completely wrong? These characters and their struggles are as real to us today as they were to Jane in 1811. She wrote about human nature, and she did it with honesty and wit, and I truly believe that is why this book has withstood the test of time.

I am thrilled to have to opportunity to bring these characters to life on stage. This show has been a challenge to produce, what with the scenes melting into one another so easily, and nowhere to put furniture (or actors) off stage...but somehow, we managed. My cast and crew have worked very hard to bring you this beloved classic, and I hope you enjoy it as much as we have.

And I must thank my husband, my dear Mr. Weed, who has a very high respect for my poor nerves. They have been his very good friends these past twelve weeks.

Thank you for supporting Theatre Guild of Simsbury and keeping us a part of your community for 40 years. Enjoy the show!

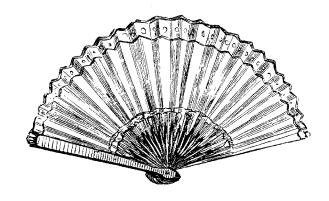


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CAST OF CHARACTERS In order of appearance

Mary Bennet	Katelyn Paddock
Jane Bennet	Kimberly Sanders
Kitty Bennet	Lindsey Erin Agnes
Lydia Bennet	Rachel Sennott
Elizabeth Bennet	Elizabeth "Grace" Day
Mrs. Bennet	
Mr. Bennet	Rick Anderson
Sir William Lucas	
Lady Lucas	Darlene Davis
Charlotte Lucas	
Ensign Denny	Athan Chekas
Captain Carter	
Mr. Bingley	
Caroline Bingley	
Mr. Darcy	
Mr. Collins	Al Girard
Mr. Wickham	Logan Lopez
Lady Catherine de Bourgh	Roberta Avery Quinn
Anne de Bourgh	Jennifer Keyes
Fitzwilliam	Wesley Olds
Georgiana Darcy	Jessie Sawyer
Mr. Gardiner	
Mrs. Gardiner	Amy Rucci
Mrs. Reynolds	Stephanie Chernoff



The play begins and ends in autumn, 1811-1812.

ACT ONE

Scene 1	Longbourn, Bennet family home
Scene 2	Meryton Assembly Ball
Scene 3	Longbourn, later that evening
Scene 4	
Scene 5	Longbourn, the next day
Scene 6	Netherfield, rented by Mr. Bingley
Scene 7	Netherfield, later that evening
Scene 8	Netherfield, the next morning
Scene 9	Longbourn
Scene 10	Longbourn, later that afternoon
Scene 11	Longbourn, the next morning
Scene 12	
Scene 13	
Scene 14	Netherfield
Scene 15	Longbourn, the next morning
Scene 16	Elizabeth at Longbourn,
Cha	arlotte Lucas and Mr. Collins at Hunsford Parsonage
Scene 17	Hunsford Parsonage, home of Mr. Collins
	and Charlotte Lucas
Scene 18	Rosings Park, home of Lady Catherine de Bourgh
Scene 19	The grounds of Rosings Park, the next morning
Scene 20	Hunsford Parsonage, that evening

There will be a 15-minute intermission. Refreshments are available in the lobby.

ACT TWO

Scene 1	The grove at Rosings Park, the next day
Scene 2	Longbourn
Scene 3	Longbourn, late afternoon
Scene 4	Meryton
Scene 5	The carriage leaves for Derbyshire
Scene 6	Lambton, two weeks later
Scene 7	Pemberley, home of Mr. Darcy
Scene 8	Pemberley, the next day
Scene 9	Longbourn
Scene 10	Longbourn, the next afternoon
Scene 11	Longbourn, two days later
Scene 12	London
Scene 13	Longbourn
Scene 14	Longbourn, late that night
Scene 15	Exterior at Longbourn, the next day



PRODUCTION STAFF

Director	Tracy Weed	
Choreographer	Susan deGuardiola	
Producer	Tracy Weed	
Costumes	Darlene Davis, Chair	
Assisted by: Christine Hurst, Tra	cy Weed, Jennifer Keyes,	
Amy Rucci, Jane Hadley, Stephanie Chernoff		
Lighting Design	Jerry Zalewski	
Sound Design	. Nicholas Diakostavrianos	
Assistant Director	Rick Anderson	
Stage Manager	Nick Parisi	
Props	Jessie Sawyer	
Publicity	Penny Carroll	
Artwork	Doreen Cohn	
Tickets	Doreen Cohn	
House Manager	Donna Sennott	



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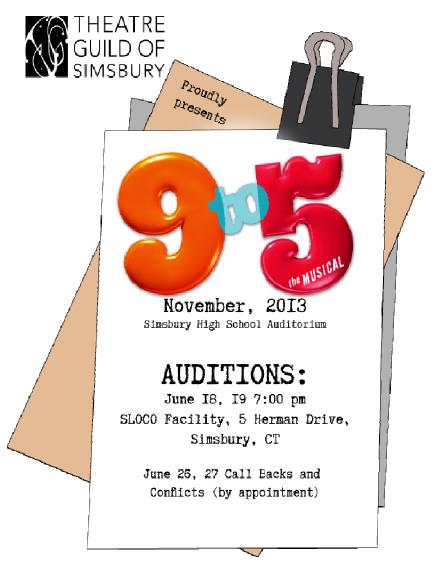
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