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## BLACK COMEDY

by Peter Shaffer



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PRESENTS

# BLACK COMEDY

by  
Peter Shaffer

with

Logan Tew  
Mercy Puckett

Janiyah Wotherspoon  
Isaac Lane  
Dean Lacy

Madison Monzingo  
Christopher Nash  
Julian Suarez

Scenic Design  
Stephen Jack Jammer

Sound Design  
David Dalton

Props  
Venus McCarden

Lighting Design  
Emma Pastula

Costume Design  
Venus McCarden

Scenic Build  
Stephen Jack Jammer

**Directed by**  
**Jilian Wesolowski**

Stage Manager  
India Underwood

Production Manager  
Venus McCarden

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# CAST

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## Cast Members

Brindsley Miller ..... Logan Tew  
Carol Melkett ..... Mercy Puckett  
Miss Furnival ..... Janiyah Wotherspoon  
Colonel Melkett ..... Isaac Lane  
Harold Gorringe ..... Dean Lacy  
Clea ..... Madison Monzingo  
Schuppanizigh ..... Christopher Nash  
George Bamberger ..... Julian Suarez

## Production / Creative

Director ..... Jilian Wesolowski  
Production Manager ..... Venus McCarden  
Stage Manager ..... India Underwood  
Stage Design and Construction ..... Stephen Jack Jammer  
Sound Design ..... David Dalton  
Lighting Design ..... Emma Pastula  
Costume Design ..... Venus McCarden  
Props Design and Construction ..... Venus McCarden, Jilian Wesolowski, India Underwood,  
Dean Lacy, Madison Monzingo, Katiya Amos, Kendall  
Lacy  
Crew ..... Lorelei Elfers, Kaleigh Miles, Kendall Lacy, Cydney  
Watkins, Phoenix Santos

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# DIRECTOR'S NOTES

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## Notes on *Black Comedy* by Peter Shaffer

Welcome to Lincoln High School's production of *Black Comedy*! As the new theatre director, I'm beyond excited to be working with such a talented group of students, and I'm proud to present my first show here at Lincoln. This play has been a whirlwind of fun and learning for both the cast and me!

*Black Comedy* is a hilarious farce that plays with light and dark in a way that turns the world upside down. The actors "see" when it's dark, and the audience "sees" when it's light. It's a perfect show to highlight our cast's comedic timing and physicality, and it's been an absolute joy guiding them through the precise choreography needed to bring the comedy to life.

## Lincoln Theatre: *from within*

Our program is rooted in the belief that theatre has the power to transform students. We focus on building empathy, exploring emotions, and working as a team. Through theatre, students find inner strength and learn to express their creativity and emotions in new ways. This mission is what inspires everything we do. Even in a light-hearted comedy like *Black Comedy*, our students are developing emotional awareness, learning how to connect with their characters and each other, and finding their voices.

## Looking Ahead

I hope you enjoy watching *Black Comedy* as much as we've enjoyed bringing it to life! This production is just the beginning of what I hope will be many great performances to come here at Lincoln. Thank you for your support, and for being part of our theatre family!

Sincerely,

Jilian Wesolowski  
Theatre Director, Lincoln High School



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# WHO'S WHO

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## Logan Tew

*as Brindsley Miller*

I'm in my junior year of high school, and I'm 16 years old. This is the first theatre production I've been a part of! This show while difficult for me was really fun I love having to move everything without making too much noise, especially while playing a nervous wreck. I do theatre because I find it super fun and exhilarating! It also allows me to express myself on a stage and gives me a chance to let out some energy. I'd like to thank my mom, dad, and all the friends who supported me!



## Mercy Puckett

*as Carol Melkett*

Hi! I am a sophomore at Lincoln High School! Some productions have been a part of are Clue, Alice By Heart, and Mean Girls!!! do theatre because it brings me into a community I couldn't live without! I am so lucky to have this amazing cast of people I get to be with every day! I'd like to thank my friends and family for always supporting me!



## Janiyah Wotherspoon

*as Miss Furnival*

Hi, I'm Janiyah, I am a sophomore and this is the 2nd show I've been in! The first show I did was Lucky Hudson and the 12th Street gang. I started theatre in 6th grade, but have always wanted to be an actor. After 8th grade, my passion and love for theatre grew and so did my acting skills! I think you will all love this show just as much as my cast and I do. We have worked very hard to put this show together for you! I would like to thank my family, friends, my wonderful cast that's always been there for me, and finally Mrs. Wesolowski. They have always supported me and have helped me grow as a person.



## Isaac Lane

*as Colonel Melkett*

Hi! I'm Isaac and this is my 2nd year in Lincoln Theater. I previously starred in the role of Fandrel in the show Hammered and am excited to be playing Colonel in this show. In my free time, I enjoy hanging out with my closest friends. I would like to thank said friends, Mrs. Weso, and my lovely girlfriend for guiding me through this time of my life.

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## Dean Lacy

*as Harold Gorringe*

This is Dean's junior year and sixth Lincoln show. After directing last year's ITS one-act piece Forsooth! and working tech, he's excited to be back on the stage. He has appeared in Tracks, Goosebumps, & Leon's Music Man. At the moment, he is working toward another ITS solo musical piece, and looking forward to Lincoln's production of Hadestown. He'd like to thank every one of his friends; new, old, and those who have moved on.



## Madison Monzingo

*as Clea*

Madison is so excited to be acting in Black Comedy! This is her third year doing Lincoln Theater, either on or offstage. You may have also seen her in Forsooth! as Lydia last year. Madison wants to give a huge thanks to the cast, tech, her family, Mrs. Weso, and her amazing friends Dean, Lorelai, and India.



## Christopher Nash

*as Schuppanizigh*

Christopher Nash is a junior here at Lincoln. This is his second show at this school, previously seen in Clue as the Motorist. His favorite part of this show is getting to do a funny accent. He'd like to thank his family and friends in the crowd and his dog Gunther for constantly biting his heels to motivate faster footwork.



## Julian Suarez

*as George Bamberger*

Hey my name is Julian Suarez and I am a senior at Lincoln, I haven't been doing theater for that long but I was a part of Alice By Heart last year and I am excited to be a part of Black Comedy as well. I love doing theater because I get to make memories with so many people that I absolutely adore. Thank you to India for being a great stage manager, Venus and the rest of the tech crew for doing great work, and Mrs. Weso for making all this possible.

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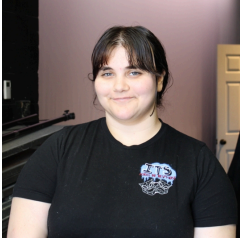
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## Venus McCarden

*Production Manager*

Hi, I'm Venus the production manager for Black Comedy! This is my 6th show at Lincoln. I wanna thank all my friends for telling me to join theater in the first place! I also wanna thank Mrs. Weso for giving me the opportunity to be the production manager. This experience has been amazing and I'm excited for next time.



## India Underwood

*Stage Manager*

India Underwood is extremely blithe to be stage managing her third show at Lincoln! She has previously stage-managed Clue and Hammered, and helped on Goosebumps: The Phantom of the Auditorium. She has worked on many shows at Theatre Tallahassee: Rent, The Producers, and Noises Off. She has also been seen onstage as Lady Morgan in Forsooth, Lady Larken in Once Upon A Mattress, and Edith in Blithe Spirit. She would like to thank her friends for lending a listening ear, her mom for adjusting her schedule, and Mrs. Weso for dealing with my jubilant personality.



# PHOTOS



Student volunteers paint the set.



Brindsley sneaks downstage.



Harold navigates his way in the dark.



Carol practices her skills as a hostess.

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Julian Suarez takes painting very seriously.



Logan Tew as Brindsley.



Janiyah Wotherspoon as Miss Furnival.



Madison Monzingo as Clea.

# PHOTOS



Dean Lacy, Isaac Lane, and Christopher Nash (left to right).



Madison Monzingo, Mercy Puckett, and Dean Lacy (left to right).

# PHOTOS



Janiyah Wotherspoon paints like a pro.



Julian says, "You missed a spot!"

# PHOTOS



# PHOTOS



Christopher Nash, Logan Tew, and Dean Lacy (left to right)



Logan Tew, Janiyah Wotherspoon, Mercy Puckett, Christopher Nash (left to right)

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PROMOTING TEAMWORK, and  
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