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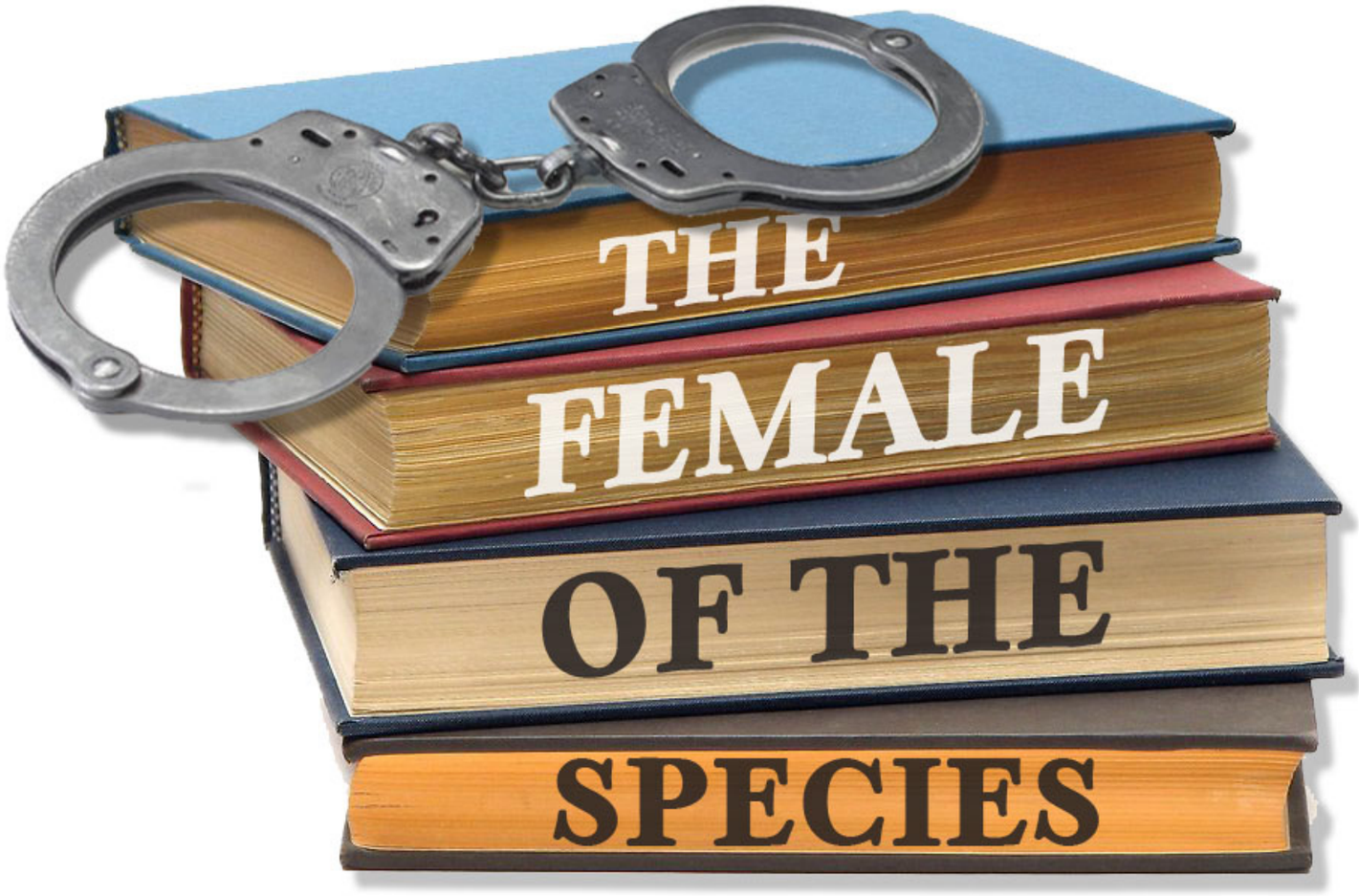

A comedy by Joanna Murray-Smith

WEDNESDAY 20th to
SATURDAY 23rd APRIL 2016

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DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The Female of the Species is very loosely based on an incident which occurred in the isolated country home of writer, academic and feminist icon Germaine Greer in 2000. A student with a grudge held her hostage for several hours. She escaped shaken but unscathed.

Dr Greer's experience clearly fired the fertile imagination of Australian playwright Joanna Murray-Smith and the play we present to you tonight is the result. First performed in her native Melbourne it was presented at the Vaudeville theatre London in 2006 with Eileen Atkins playing Margot.

When I was given it to read I laughed out loud – always a good sign that a play is intrinsically funny. It is a witty satirical comedy with a liberal dose of the farcical. As with all comedy the key to success lies with the timing and delivery but in the case of farce there has to be that total conviction that the situation the characters find themselves in is very real and their responses to it and to each other are in no way humorous! It has been such a pleasure working with my excellent cast on this super play. So now we would ask you to simply sit back and ENJOY!

MURDER MYSTERY

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SATURDAY 28TH MAY 2016 AT 7.30PM

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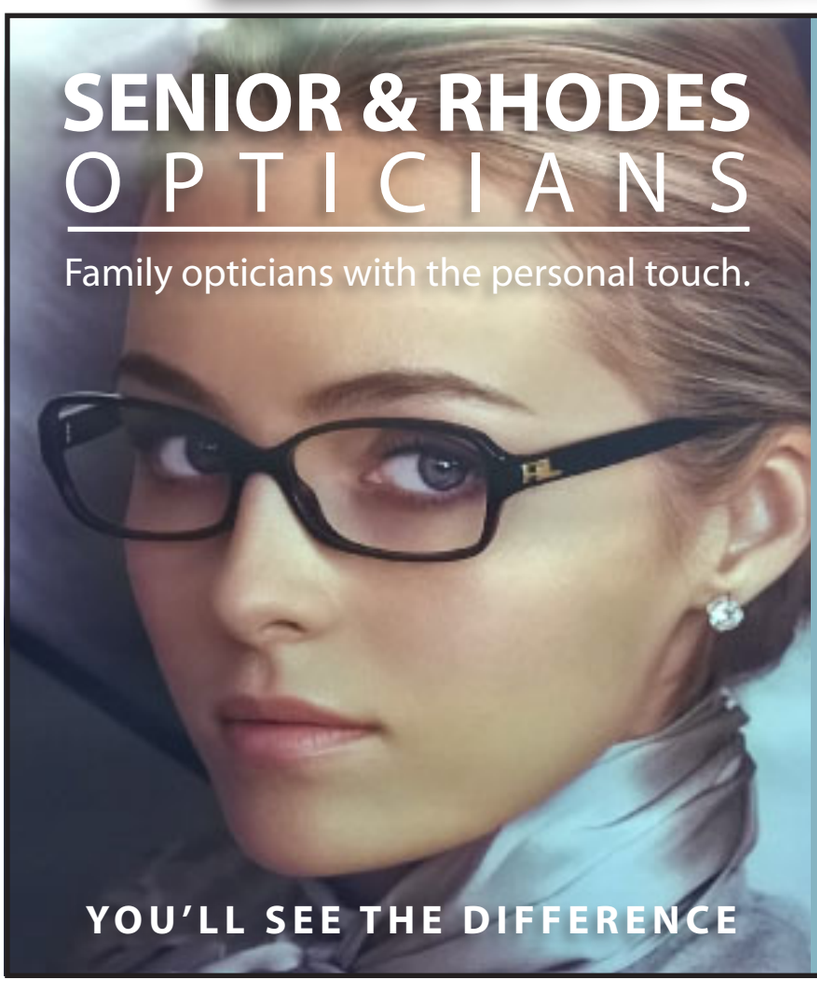
THE FEMALE OF THE SPECIES IN REHEARSAL



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CAST AND CREW

CAST (in order of appearance)

Margot	Pat Riley
Molly	Jane Claire
Tess	Jane Gorton
Bryan	David Pritchard
Frank	Matthew Newby
Theo	Owen Carey- Jones

The action takes place in Margot's country home

Act 1	Margot's study
Act 11	The same a moment later

CREW

Director	Dianne Newby
Set design	Beth Duce
Stage Manager	Ron Darby
Prompt	Robert Colbeck
Props	Carol Crossfield
Lighting	William Andrews
Sound	David Newby
Set construction	David Newby, Ron Darby, Robert Colbeck, Mike Andrews, Peter Stringer
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This amateur production of "The Female of The Species" is by arrangement with Nick Hern Books.

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Adel Players *Amateur Theatre in North Leeds*

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which we will be performing on Wednesday 19th
to Saturday 22nd of October 2016.

REFRESHMENTS

Patrons are welcome to make use of the bar before and after the performance and during the interval. It speeds up service at the bar if as many patrons as possible pre-order interval drinks. If you have not finished your drink by the end of the interval, please ask the bar staff for a plastic container as drinking glasses may not be brought into the Hall for safety reasons.

THANKS

Adel Players would like to thank Dragon Timber and Plywood Ltd for their invaluable support of all Adel Players' productions.

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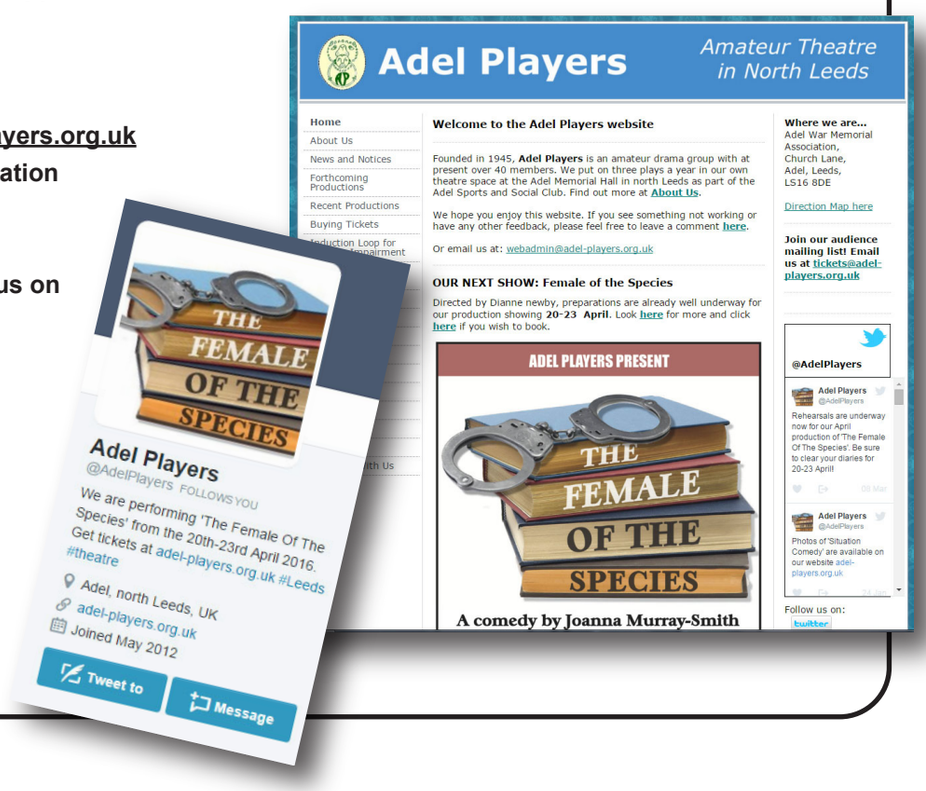

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