## AN EVENING OF SHORT PLAYS... UNION HALL May 18th - 21st matinees 19th 21st BOOK AT CAWTHORNES

SHIBAI SHIBAI

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## "Everyman"

(ANONYMOUS)

Everyman was first performed in England a little under five hundred years ago. It was probably performed by a small troupe of travelling actors in any convenient place. No scenic illusion was possible or desired, for the action of the play is this very minute and every minute; its place here, wherever we are, and everywhere. We present this mediaeval play tonight in modern dress to make plain its timeless and universal allegory.

Here beginneth a treatise how the High Father of Heaven sendeth death to summon every creature to come and give account of their lives in this world, and is in manner of a moral play.

Cast: in order of appearance-

Messenger Margaret Tidemann
God Michael Best
Death Des Roman
Everyman Egils Burtmanis
Fellowship Michael Best
Kindred Jan Langsford
Cousin Betsy Holt
Goods Janyce Crosby
Good Deeds Margaret Tidemann
Knowledge Jenny Binks
Confession Joan Heuzenroeder
Beauty Bobbie Butler
Strength Wieland von Behrens
Discretion Jeremy Wesley-Smith
Fire Wits Laima Biezaitis

Produced by RALPH ELLIOTT and TIM MARES.

Costumes designed by BETSY HOLT.

Sets designed by MAUREEN FERRIS.

## Four Kiogens & A No

The No Drama of Japan has a long and honourable history. Its language is antique, its conventions in the highest degree artificial. Traditional performances are immensely long, consisting of dialogue, dancing and athletic performances with music. In our selection of fragments from the repertoire, we have assembled four comic interludes (Kyogens) about one serious, poetic No. We have compromised so as to present the pieces with as much Japanese colour as possible, but without deserting the style of western art. The presentation, which has been kept very informal, is meant to be poetic, picturesque and amusing, never realistic.

The texts have been adapted from A. L. Sadler's **Japanese Plays** (Sydney, 1934), and we are proud to announce that Professor Sadler, now retired in England, has written to give his blessing to this production.

1. The Persimmon Pedlar (Kyogen)

Asahina (Kyogen)
 Hatsu Yuki (No)

4. The Acolyte's Water-drawing (Kyogen)

5. Hano Ko (Kyogen)

The performers in order of appearance :—

Alex. Kirk
Tim Beal
Suzanne Fleming
Valerie Walsh
Wieland von Behrens
Elizabeth Webb
Jill Rainsford
Julie Brooks

Production: Planned by Brian Elliott and carried out by the cast in collaboration, assistance given by Hiroko Hall.

Set and costumes designed by: Maureen Ferris. Emma-O's Mask made by: Phyllis Pilton. Music: Julian Mincham.

STAGE MANAGER	MICHAEL MORGAN
SETS CONSTRUCTED BY	MICHAEL MORGAN
COSTUMES MADE BY	BETSY HOLT, LIZ SUTTON AND ASSISTANTS
LIGHTING	STEPHEN WILSON
SOUND	REG. BENNETT
HOUSE MANAGE	ROGER TAYLOR
ASSISTED BY	DES ROMAN

ADVERTISING AND PROGRAMME DESIGN....

KEVIN BROOKS

TIM BEAL BARRY WARREN ALEX. KIRK

## "Les Precieuse Ridicules"

("The Affected Ladies")
(MOLIERE)

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Cast: In order of appearance—

FIRST FOOTMAN ...... DIETER GERKEN

SECOND FOOTMAN ..... JOHN HIRST

LA GRANGE Rejected Lovers TIMOTHY BEAL HENRY TUCKWELL

GORGIBUS ..... DAVID MATISON

(A Worthy Citizen)

MAGDELON ... .. FAY SIDEY

(Daughter of Gorgibus)

CATHOS .. .. .. LYN MURRAY

(Niece of Gorgibus)

MAROTTE (a maid) .. .. HELEN KAY

THE MARQUIS De
MASCARELLE .... LEE BARNARD
(Valet to La Grange)

THE VISCOUNT De JODELET KENNETH BADENOCH (Valet to Du Croisy)

TWO FIDDLERS .. .. DIETER GERKEN
JOHN HIRST

The Scene: The Interior and Exterior of Gorgibus's Home.

The Play produced by Frank Bailey

Costumes designed by Betsy Holt

Set designed by James Stapleton

Les Precieuse Ridicules is not the greatest nor wittiest of Moliere's plays. It is far removed from his Le Misanthrope, for instance, seen here recently. Nevertheless, it is a gay little piece. His precious, ridiculous ladies are figures of fun, moving like puppets through their false, and artificial world.