

The University of Alaska Fairbanks Theatre Department Proudly Presents

# Alice In Wonderland Lewis Carrolls' Classic Story



Adapted for the stage by William Glennon & Kade Mendelowitz

# Directed by: Kade Mendelowitz

Scenic & Lighting Designer: Kade Mendelowitz

Costume Designers: Tara Maginnis & Stephanie Stowman

> Stage Manager: Kelley Stables

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White Rabbit

Mouse Tweedledum Tweedledee Mad Hatter March Hare Dormouse Caterpillar Cheshire Cat Card Queen of Hearts King of Hearts Knave of Hearts

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\*Tiffany Ayers Amanda Boone Tiffany Guinn \*Diana Williams Robert Barringer Wes Carscaddon Leah Lipka Will Nash Briana Doering Ben Thompson Matthew Torkelson Telo Walden Moe O'Connell Thomas Edwards Michael Karoly \*Tiffany Ayers John Doore \*Tracy Campbell \*Shannon Luster Natalie Neubauer



Anton Chekhov was a Russian playwright known best, while he was still alive, for his comic short stories. Since his death in 1904 he has become known for his plays. Though few in number, Chekhov's plays are enormous in impact. *The Three Sisters* is not a play about beggars, gods, kings or fools. It is a play about people. Chekhov believed, "what happens on stage should be just as complicated and just as simple as things are in real life. People are sitting at a table having dinner, that's all, but at the same time their happiness is being created, or their lives are being torn apart."

"Seinfeld" is Chekhovian comedy. A show about nothing, people who are nothing, and the only drama that exists is internal. "Seinfeld" would not have existed had Chekhov not drawn the character focus in tight. Love triangles, illicit affairs and the complex character relationships in Chekhov's plays have taken many forms in today's entertainment world: From soap operas and sit-coms on television, romantic comedies and drama on the big screen, as well as almost any production on the modern stage.

Director Anatoly Antohin is an award-winning Russian playwright and accomplished international director. Currently he is the head of the Theatre department at UAF. Working with his own translation Antohin plans to bring *The Three Sisters* closer to modern audiences through the internet. As one audience sits and watches the action unfold in front of them, a camera crew will be filming the show and broadcasting it live on the world wide web.

To find out more about this upcoming production visit Antohin's website: http://members.tripod.com/~afronord/plays/title.html.

The Three Sisters will be presented at UAF Nov 19 - Dec 5.



#### **Director's Notes**

What a wondrous process and experience this has been for me. Usually I'm a little more in the background - primarily a Lighting Designer and Technical Director. I haven't directed a production this large before; it was truly a great experience. My cast is a mix of children & UAF students, a few Theatre Majors and many with no theatrical experience. They were great to work with, and I believe everyone involved in the production had a positive experience.

I was fortunate to have Professor Maginnis as my main Costume Designer - she is a wonderful artist that I have tremendous respect for, as I'm sure you will share when you see the costumes for this production. I am also thankful to Stephanie Stowman who volunteered her time to design a few of the characters, and chairperson Anatoly Antohin for his support on this project.

Isimply could not have succeeded with this production without the help of my new ATD / Master Carpenter Leighton Nunez. He's an amazing carpenter, artist and creative thinker. His work, along with the work of my Stage Manager Kelley Stables and friend Jessica Beck - allowed me to keep at least a small portion of sanity throughout this process.

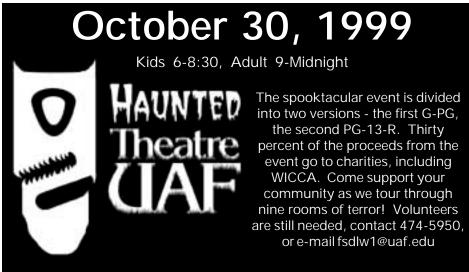
This was a huge undertaking; including directing, designing scenery for 8 locations, managing publicity and the like - and I believe you, the audience member, have a grand adventure before you - as you join Alice's journey into Wonderland! Kade Mendelowitz



# Get involved in the SDA Student Drama Associaiton



The Student Drama Association is dedicated to the support and promotion of theatre UAF productions as well as providing additional performance opportunities for UAF students from all disciplines. The group provides both moral and limited financial support for performance projects of members (after review and acceptance of project proposals by the general membership). Membership is open to all UAF students upon payment of dues. The association also receives financial support from the ASUAF. Other activities include occasional "Open Stages", "Alternate works", etc. Still defining their role at UAF, they ask that you get involved and help find/create their place in the world. Meetings are typically Fridays at 6:00pm in Theatre 101 (The "Green Room" at the bottom of the graffiti hallway steps to the left of the Salisbury Theatre).



## Open Stage November 5, 1999 7:30pm-?

Ever wanted to perform, but just needed a space? Here it is! An Open Stage is where SDA provides you with your 15 minutes of fame. All participants are given up to 15 minutes of performance time, all we ask is that you do not break any State, Federal, University or International laws. **There is no fee, no admission charge**. Show-up and dance, sing, tumble, drum, make paper roses, do a monologue, or just come and watch. Occurs in the "Green Room" at the bottom of the graffiti hallway steps to the left of the Salisbury Theatre.



#### About the Cast and Crew...

**Tiffany Ayers, Alice**, who also appears as the Cheshire Cat, is a third year psychology major at UAF. She is the treasurer of the Student Drama Association and spends a good deal of time absorbing costume shop gossip. She is currently working on an in depth psychological theory involving uncontrollable mirth and Eskimo kisses



**Robert Barringer**, White Rabbit, appeared in several plays during high school such as <u>Annie Get Your Gun</u>, and <u>Bye</u>, <u>Bye</u>, <u>Birdie</u>. He also enjoyed working backstage on a few others. He looks forward to the opportunity to participate in future productions.



**Amanda Boone,** Alice, has appeared in many theatre productions. She was last seen as Pony in <u>Approaching Zanzibar</u> and is appearing in <u>The Nutcracker</u> this winter. She really loves theatre and is looking forward to new opportunities.



**Tracy Campbell**, Queen of Hearts, is a senior theatre major. She has performed in many shows here at UAF including <u>70 Scenes</u>, <u>The Magic Flute</u>, and <u>Fish in a Tree</u>. She has directed last semesters Winter Short <u>Prelude and Liebestod</u> as well as three short films. Next semester, she will be focusing on directing her senior thesis; August Strindberg's <u>Miss Julie</u>. Tracy is an Aries dragon, which might explain the angry mallet waving.



**Wes Carscaddon,** White Rabbit, is a first year theatre student at UAF. In his hometown of Chattanooga, TN, he acted in several productions including Sartre's <u>No Exit</u>, Algee's <u>The American Drum</u>, and Moliere's <u>Tartuffe</u>. This is his first production with Theatre UAF.



**Briana Doering,** Mouse, is a fourth-grader at Joy Elementary. This is her first role in a play produced for the public. She is very enthusiastic about this play and hopes that everyone will enjoy it. For her next role, Briana hopes to act on stage rather than under it.



**John Doore**, Card, is a freshman here at UAF studying music and film. This is his first show with Theatre UAF and he is very happy to be debuting in such an innovative show. His past roles include, an imperial guard in <u>Aladdin</u>, a Klansman in <u>The Foreigner</u>, and various peasants and soldiers in <u>Mother</u> <u>Courage and Her Children</u>.



**Thomas Edwards,** Dormouse, is an 8-year old third-grader at University Park Elementary. He has previously played the roles of orphan and pickpockect in FLOT's production of <u>Oliver</u>!. When Thomas isn't sleeping at tea parties, he is playing hockey, racing sled dogs, practicing the piano, or fighting with his little brother.

### More About the Cast and Crew...



**Tiffany Guinn,** Alice, is a theatre major and freshman at UAF. She has been performing most of her life, and has thoroughly enjoyed working with the cast of <u>Alice</u> as her first production with Theatre UAF.



**Michael Karoly**, Caterpillar, has appeared in several UAF productions – most recently <u>Prelude and Liebestod and 70 Scenes of Halloween</u>. He looks forward to a performance that his two daughters can appreciate and will then return to the drama with <u>Three Sisters</u>.



**Leah Lipka,** White Rabbit, is 12 years old and a seventh grader at Ryan Middle School. She has danced in <u>The Nutcracker</u> for the last four years and was a theatre major at UAF Summer Fine Arts Camp. She has enjoyed acting with this cast.



**Shannon Luster**, King of Hearts, We are looking for a good home for Shannon Luster. He has been here for far too long and has done over 20 shows at UAF. We tried to flush him down the toilet but he grew big too fast.



**Will Nash**, White Rabbit, is appearing for the first time in a theatrical production, so please be kind. Otherwise, enjoy the show and welcome to Wonderland.



**Natalie Neubauer,** Knave of Hearts, is a graduate of LHS. She appeared in two plays there, <u>The Curious Savage</u>, and <u>Rhinoceros</u>. She is currently attending theatre classes at UAF.



**Moe O'Connell,** The March Hare, is 19, from Minnesota, and she loves to act. Also, she is very cute.



Kelley Stables, Stage Manager, is a second year theatre major here at UAF. She has stage managed for the Winter Short <u>Prelude and Liebestod</u> as well as last summers Summer Fine Arts camp production of <u>Steel Magnolias</u>. She divides her time between the scene shop, the costume shop, and the mental institution.

#### Even More About the Cast and Crew...



**Stephanie Stowman,** Selected Costume Designer, has worked with UAF, SDA, and the Fairbanks Drama Association. She is the costume manager for the Fairbanks Drama Association. She designed the Cheshire Cat, the mouse and the Dormouse for Alice.



**Ben Thompson,** who is pretending to play TweedleDum, is a second year acting student at UAF. He hopes to someday be a major player in Hollywood (well, ok, maybe just a paid one.) You may have seen him last year in <u>Fish in a Tree</u> or <u>The Mikado</u>.



**Matthew Torkelson** AKA TweedleDee is a freshman at LHS. He has done one play, <u>The Littlest Angel</u>. He hopes to become a paid actor by the age of 21.



**Telo Walden,** He is here. Twenty-one years in the making, he now comes to you. If you had seen his previous shows, your life would have been changed forever. Ladies swoon from the mere mention of his name. Y2K is mere child's play compared to him. He is Telo Walden. You've been warned.



**Diana Williams,** Alice, is a senior theatre major at UAF, and also the president of the Student Drama Association. In Fairbanks, she has acted in numerous shows including <u>Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf</u>, <u>Reckless</u>, and <u>Prelude and Liebestod</u>. After graduation she will move back down to the lower 48 and pursue an acting career.

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### Theatre UAF Faculty and Staff



Anatoly Antohin, Playwright and Director: Anatoly has directed many shows at UAF. He received his MFA from the Moscow Institute of Cinematography, and won several awards in drama. His plays have been produced in many European countries. In the USA, he has taught and directed at the University of Connecticut, New York University, and Hollins College in Virginia.



**Jason Chapman**, Theatre UAF's Department Coordinator: is an alumnus of UAF, where he received his BA in Theatre with a Minor in film. He has directed and worked extensively on numerous productions for Theatre UAF, KlonDyke Queens and Co., and the Imperial Court of All Alaska. An active philanthropist, performer, and producer, he is still running numerous fund-raisers with the Imperial Court as the elected reigning Ms. Gay of All Alaska.

Judy Kreith, Dance and Movement Guest Lecturer: Judy moved to Fairbanks in 1996 to work as an artist in the schools with

the Fairbanks Arts Association. She received her M.A. from Stanford University in 1987. Her choreography credits include Stanford University production of "West Side Story" and "Jesus Christ Superstar." Currently, she is teaching a variety of dance and movement classes for children and adults in the Fairbanks area, and is the Artistic Director of Dance Omnium.





**Tara Maginnis**, PhD., Costume Designer: Tara is slowly disappearing and reforming her molecules into html. She is now the largest costume web site on the planet at www.costumes.org, where she and her cat, Shoelace, live in virtual form on the World Wide Web.

Kade Mendelowitz, Lighting Designer and Technical Director. Originally from New York, this workaholic and award winning lighting designer recently completed an Interactive CD-ROM / textbook on lighting design which is on sale internationally. Kade is the sole owner of Multimakers, and he invites you to visit his site is at HTTP://WWW.LDI.NU



**Leighton Nunez,** is the Assistant Technical Director at UAF. With over 25 years of experience in carpentry, Leighton has built cabins, cabinets, and custom furniture. His work appeared in art galleries & festivals. He has also worked in film and video productions; and, is a talented folk singer and songwriter. "Ienjoyed the creative challenges presented to me for this production."



**Lorraine Pettit,** Costume Shop Manager, Tara's twin joined at the mind at birth. Has recently driven up the Alcan with her feline familiar Mu. She lives in non virtual form in the costume shop at UAF.





**Thomas Riccio,** Playwright and Director, Has directed over a dozen plays with Tuma Theatre. Prior to UAF Riccio was Artistic Director of Chicago's Organic Theatre Company and Dramaturg/Resident Director at the Cleveland Play House. He has directed at New York City's famed La Mama Etc, and others. He was a visiting Professor at the Korean National University for the Arts in 1996 and has recently conducted workshops in Finland and England.

**Dale E. Seeds**, Visiting Scenic Designer, is currently on sabbatical from the College of Wooster. Wooster, Ohio where he serves as Professor of Theatre, faculty designer, and department chairperson. Dr. Seeds has designed scenery and or lighting for over 150 productions of theatre, dance and opera, including works with *Porthouse Theatre, The Memphis Ballet and The Abbey Theatre* of Dublin, Ireland. This semester he is teaching courses in scene design and Theatre 200X. Additionally he will design the scenery for Theatre UAF's Spring production of *Twelfth Night*.

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