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SPECIAL EVENT:

Love Letters

BY A.R. GURNEY



FEBRUARY 2010

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Directed by Marilee Scheer • Produced by Laura Jones

LOVE LETTERS is presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York. LOVE LETTERS was presented at The Long Wharf Theatre, November 4, 1988 - December 11, 1988; M. Edgar Rosenblum, Executive Director; Arvin Brown, Artistic Director.

CAST

MELISSA GARDNER Toni Munna
ANDREW MAKEPEACE LADD III Kyle Cranston

PRODUCTION

DIRECTOR Marilee Scheer
PRODUCER Laura Jones
STAGE MANAGER Connie Monteforte
LIGHTS Charlie Scheer
HOUSE MANAGER Marjory Stevens
REFRESHMENTS Carol and Dave Kirby
BOX OFFICE Deanna & Catherine Andes
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our second annual reading of *Love Letters* which is being presented as a fund raiser for our Building on Tradition campaign which raises money to purchase this wonderful old building that is our home sweet home. The encouragement and support of our community is what has kept this theater going and growing for over fifty years, thank you one and all.

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BIOS

Toni Munna (*Melissa Gardner*) - An actor and director for 25 years, some of Toni's favorite roles include Bella in *Lost in Yonkers*, Rose in *Dancing at Lughnasa*, and Dr. Livingstone in *Agnes of God*. Recently she directed *A Piece of My Heart* and played Ma Joad in *Grapes of Wrath*, both dramatic readings for The Naked Stage at John Drew Theater. She is the (founding) Program Coordinator of East End Arts Council's Teeny Awards, and serves on the board of Vail-Leavitt Music Hall. She so enjoys being Melissa for a while! Thanks to Marilee and Kyle for the fun and enlightenment!

Kyle Cranston (*Andrew Makepeace Ladd III*) - Returns to the NFCT stage after having just portrayed Howie in David Lindsay-Abaire's *Rabbit Hole*. Born in Hollywood, California to a theatrical family, Kyle has worked professionally in television, feature film and voiceovers. Other local theatre appearances have been in the Hampton Theatre Company's productions of *Six Degrees of Separation* by John Guare and *Fuddy Meers* by David Lindsay-Abaire. He performed at the West Hampton Beach Performing Arts Center Theatre in the Oscar Gonzalez choreographed adventure, *The Journey*. Kyle thanks Greta, the love in his life, for the inspiration and for all her life changing love creates, and thanks the jewels of his life; his daughter Divya, and step-son, Nikolai, for their support, understanding and years of love.

Marilee Scheer (*Director*) - Bitten by the acting bug at a young age while watching her mother perform in amateur theatricals, Marilee is delighted to have the NFCT as her home away from home.

Laura Jones (*Producer*) - In her fourth production at NFCT, Laura is honored to participate in the 2nd Annual Reading of A.R. Gurney's *Love Letters* to benefit the funding of our theatre-home. Last season, she produced A.R. Gurney's *Labor Day*, and was seen as Electra in *Gypsy*. Recently, she portrayed Nat in David Lindsay-Abaire's Pulitzer Prize winning, *Rabbit Hole*.

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Performances at 8:00PM * = 2:30 matinee

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The "Building on Tradition" Campaign team is very excited that we are in contract to purchase our "Home Sweet Home" - the building we have performed in for over 48 years. In order to be able to complete the purchase of our home, we need to meet our campaign goal of \$750,000. We have already raised over \$185,000 and are working to ensure that the vibrant community of the NFCT continues well beyond it's current 52 years!

Please consider **joining the "Building on Tradition" Campaign**. Even a few hours of your time can make a difference. You can fill our this form and give it to an usher or mail it to: NFCT, Box 86, Mattituck, NY 11952. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Motto Kalich at 917-334-6639 or E-mail: campaign@NFCT.com.

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The NFCT Campaign Team is gearing up for our 2nd Annual "Building on Tradition" Campaign Gala which will be held this June. Last year's 1st Annual Gala was an enjoyable and memorable evening with Broadway actors and producers, and entertainment from our own NFCT members. We hope to make this year's just as successful.

To do this, we need your help with the Gala. We are looking for your energy and ideas - from suggestions of dessert to getting raffle prizes to organizing a group of friends to attend, this is one way which you can help the NFCT meet it's Campaign Goal and raise enough money to purchase our "Home Sweet Home" where we have performed for over 48 years.

All are invited to be a part of the Gala team. Please call or email Mary Motto Kalich at 917-334-6639 or campaign@nfct.com to help!

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