



LITTLE NUGGETS FROM JEWEL BOX THEATRE

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Jewel Box
Performances
Run

Thursdays
through
Saturdays
at
8:00pm
-and-
Sundays
at
2:30pm

For
Reservations
521-1786

FLAMING IDIOTS

By Tom Rooney

November 17 to December 11, 2011

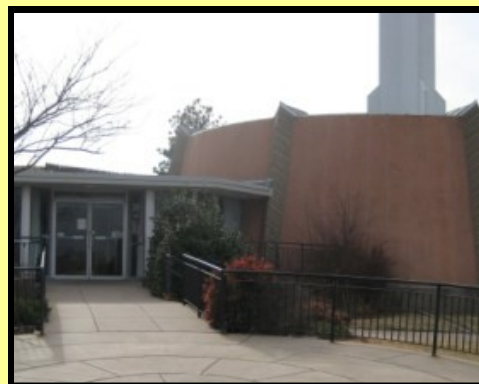
Two entrepreneurs think the way to jumpstart their floundering restaurant is to copy a popular place across town where a notorious mobster was shot.

But who should they shoot?
Decisions, decisions. . .

This winner of the New American
Comedy Festival is brought back
by popular demand!



Directed by
Don Taylor



Jewel Box Theatre
An Oklahoma Tradition

Chuck Tweed
Production
Director

3700 N. Walker
Oklahoma City, OK
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Rachael Messer and Christine Jolly take a break from rehearsals For *Flaming Idiots*



Some Thoughts from the Director

It has been said that those who forget the past are condemned to repeat it. In the case of *Flaming Idiots*, I remember the past quite fondly and am delighted to repeat it! *Flaming Idiots* marked the first time I appeared on any stage and it was right here at Jewel Box. I was Task the cop, now expertly played by Marcus Wade.

It was also my first time to hang out with those strange actor type people. I found them to be absolutely stark raving mad. I was home! These were my people. They made me feel welcome and taught my son Zach (then 10) to play (and cheat) at poker right here in our green room (therapy is expensive because it's worth it).

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DID YOU KNOW?

A *Flaming Idiot*,

the title of the

play, refers to a

fiery drink

invented by the

characters to

draw attention

to their

restaurant.

IN THE WINGS

Black Comedy

by Peter Shaffer

January 19—February 12

This 'dazzling comic ballet' starts with a blown fuse in an apartment. The place is plunged into darkness, BUT with reverse lighting, once the electricity trips, stage lights come up, and actors spend the rest of the play in a world of darkness for them, but bright as day for the audience. Funny! Brilliant!

BE A JEWEL BOX VOLUNTEER

And receive 2 COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS to the show

Call 521-1786 Tues-Fri afternoons to join the Jewel Box family.

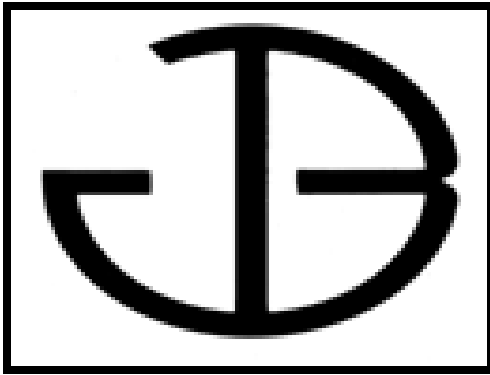
The Rest of the Season

Sherlock Holmes and
the Hound of the Baskervilles
Adapted & Dramatized by Harvey Mackie
March 1-25
Directed by Linda McDonald

**AROUND THE WORLD
IN EIGHTY DAYS
BY MARK BROWN
APRIL 12-MAY 6
DIRECTED BY BOB WOODS**

Come one! Come all!
Auditions

For last two shows (see above)
Saturday, January 7
Callbacks Sunday, January 8
2:00 to 5:00
Readings from the scripts



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TICKET DEALS TO WRITE HOME ABOUT

FIVE DOLLAR SUNDAY UPDATE The last performance of each show is the 4th week Sunday matinee, and there won't be an empty seat in the house with \$5.00 seats available!

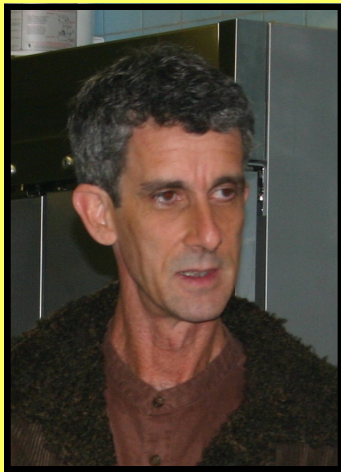
Just a couple of rules to spread the wealth! Starting with "Flaming Idiots", special \$5 reservations cannot be made until the Tuesday of the fourth week. Of course, you may make reservations for the fourth Sunday at regular price any time after the box office opens. Also, so that everyone has a chance to take advantage of this great discount, there will be a maximum of 4 discount tickets for any single reservation.

THE LAST THURSDAY offers 2-for-1 ticket prices. But better reserve early for this one. It's too good a deal to pass up!

FRIEND FOR TEN Exclusive to all Season Ticket Holders! You can now bring along a Friend and pay only \$10 for your guest to join you. Who will get your exclusive invitation this holiday season?

Thoughts from the Director, Cont. from p. 2

That was way back in 1997-98. Fast forward 14 years to the present and here we are again, to spend another night at Phil's Restaurant. This show was so much fun the first time that I have hung around the Jewel Box every season since.



I can definitely recommend that you spend some time with those weird actor type people, if only to give yourself assurance that you are perfectly normal by comparison. Some of my favorites will be onstage shortly to confirm this assertion.

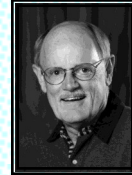
So, welcome to Phil's Restaurant! We're glad you came back. Enjoy your evening and tip your waiters with kind applause

Oh, and try the goat dung pate, it's... different.

Don Taylor

Theatrically Tweed

The Jewel Box moves seamlessly from one business to another. ***The Broken Statue*** was a glimpse of the oil business and now we move to the restaurant business.



A restaurant with problems: few customers, the need for a dead body. The little things that help make up the corporate world.

When the season selection committee decided to choose plays never before seen so that those who have been with us a while did not see repeats every few years, there came a minor problem. With that responsibility comes seeking plays our audiences would love. This is one of the most exciting seasons for us because of the caliber of shows we have. Not a weak link. Our season runs the gamut from drama to comedy to world premieres.

That is when director Don Taylor asked if we would consider ***Flaming Idiots***. I originally frowned on it because if we picked a show we *had* done before, it would offset the season's all 'new' plays. Sooo, I sat down and read it.....and laughed out loud! I forgot how funny it was. Not only that, but to this day people have asked for us to present it again. (PS: They also remember Don's comic genius in his first play at Jewel Box.)

Flaming Idiots will tickle your funny bone as only Don Taylor can do. We look forward to the 2012 half of our season as well. I truly think you are going to have one of your best seasons at Jewel Box! It only gets better and better after 54 years.

Enjoy!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

FLAMING IDIOTS

Cast List

Phil.....Chris Briscoe
Carl.....J. Aaron Chartier
Ernesto.....Josh McGowen
EugeneAlex Prather
Bernadette.....Rachael Messer
Jayne.....Christine Jolly
Task.....Marcus Wade
Louie.....Paul Smith

The Fabulous Crew

Jennifer Teel - Assistant Director
Amandanell Bold - Stage Manager
Liz Holmes - Assistant Stage Manager
Sheila Sewell - Props
Jared Blount - Assistant Props