



AUG 19-21 & 25-27 at 8PM / AUG 22, 28 & 29 at 2PM • SAM BASS THEATRE • SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$10

The Royal Pretenders

Present:

The Last Days of Judas Iscariot

DIRECTED BY: ROB E. MORRIS

CAST

(in order of appearance)

HENRIETTA ISCARIOT / SISTER GLENNA.....LYNN S. BEAVER
JESUS OF NAZARETH.....STEPHEN MERCANTEL
GLORIA / MOTHER THERESA.....VERONICA PRIOR
JUDGE / CAIAPHAS THE ELDER.....FRANK BENGE
BALIFF / SIMON THE ZEALOT.....ANTHONY BAIN
FABIANA CUNNINGHAM.....AMY LEWIS
YUSEF EL-FAYOUMY.....MICAH GOODING
LORETTA / MARY MAGDALENE.....CARA BODEN
BUTCH HONEYWELL.....AARON W. JOHNSON
ST. MONICA.....KRYSTA GONZALES
JUDAS ISCARIOT.....JUSTIN CHERNIVEC
MATTHIAS OF GALILEE / ST PETER
/PONTIUS PILATE.....NATHANIEL P. REID
ST MATTHEW / ST THOMAS
/SIGMUND FREUD.....KEVIN SCHOLTES
SATAN.....BEN WEAVER

SETTING

This play takes place in Hope, located in downtown Purgatory, 2010.

There will be one 15 minute intermission

STAGE MANAGER.....KAYLA MOORE
ASST. DIRECTOR.....NIALL KELLY
SCENIC DESIGNER.....AARON W. JOHNSON
SCENIC PAINTER.....KEVIN SCHOLTES
COSTUMES.....VERONICA PRIOR
LIGHT & SOUND DESIGN.....ROB E. MORRIS

Letter From The Director

Years ago, myself and another young man named Brandon T. Harris began participating in shows in this very theatre. In every capacity you can imagine, we spent day and night bringing stories to life. Not for school credit or payment, not for praise or recognition, but for the sake of art. There was something about this beautiful art form that drew us in and we have not since left its side. In that vein, Brandon and I began to notice how difficult it is to begin working in this industry. Thus, the Royal Pretenders company was born.

The mission statement for our company is to create a nationwide network of collaborative artists to support local projects and nurture growth of independent art. Basically, what this means is that we seek to offer opportunity for ambitious people to have an outlet for their creativity and to offer a network of support that spans the country. This means more independent productions, more independent films and art shows, all under the Royal Pretenders umbrella of support and networking.

This production marks our first full scale stage production in the Austin area. We could not be more pleased to be telling the story of The Last Days of Judas Iscariot. The intense power and humanity within this piece makes it an overwhelming piece of art to bring to life. This wonderful cast has braved the August heat and countless scheduling and logistical roadblocks to bring this story to you today and I could not be more pleased with the life they have brought to this tale.

I would sincerely like to thank my father Robbie for everything he has done to make this show happen, as well as all the people in the cast that aided the production outside of their outstanding acting responsibilities. Also, especially given the time of year, I would like to thank Jim Prior for showing me so many years ago that art is what you make of it and that there is a reason it is called "a play".

Rob E. Morris

Glossary of Terms

apostle - one of the twelve chief disciples, or followers, of Jesus of Nazareth
gospel - the record of Jesus' life in the first four books of the New Testament
Judea - what is now Israel, at the time of the Roman occupation
Purgatory - a limbo in the afterlife that exists between Heaven and Hell
saint - a person formally recognized or canonized by the Church after death
Herod - governor of Galilee, a province in northern Judea
Julius Caesar Augustus - First Emperor of the Roman Empire

SPECIAL THANKS

Sam Bass Theatre Association

McNeil High School

Bob & Susan Moore

John V. Bowhers

Brandon T. Harris

CiCi Barone

Robbie Q. Morris

Richard & Tamera Rodriguez

Christian Daly & Jonathan Majors

Stephen Adly Guirgis & LABryinth

and... Robert Beseda.

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE CONTRIBUTED TO THE SOUNDTRACK OF THIS PRODUCTION:

Brandon T. Harris, Benjamin Carbo, Kate Scaffidi, Anthony Bain,
Nicole Krasnodebski, Jackie Trevino & Alex Joans

Music Credits:

The Avett Brothers, M. Ward, Bob Dylan, The White Stripes, Mumford
& Sons. Matt Costa, Andrew Bird, Death Cab For Cutie, GirlTalk, The
Weepies, Delta Spirit, The Black Keys & Monsters of Folk

This play is for mature audiences only due to

Adult Content

Adult Language