

Moot House Players

The Philanthropist

a bourgeois comedy
by Christopher Hampton

Moot Hall - The Stow - Harlow

Thursday - Friday - Saturday

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November 1977

MOOT HOUSE PLAYERS

present

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Characters in order of appearance :

PHILIP David Schacht
DONALD Steve Collins
JOHN Roger Williamson
CELIA Rose Wayper
BRAHAM Roger Parsley
ARAMINTA Jill Fitt
LIZ Paulene Carter

The action of the play takes place in
the living quarters of a bachelor 'don'
in a university town sometime in the
near future

ACT I Scene 1: An evening in November
2: Evening a few days later
3: After dinner the same evening
ACT II Scene 1: The next morning
2: Later the same day
3: Evening of the same day

The play produced by Mike Adamou

Settings by Mandy Dymond Lighting by Chris Driver
Effects by Roger Williamson
Stage staff: Roger Williamson and Jill Williams

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There will be an interval between Acts I and II
during which refreshments will be available

NOTES

CHRISTOPHER HAMPTON is a young writer with a number
of well-received plays to his credit, among them
SAVAGES and the recently broadcast TV feature ABLE'S
WIT.

THE PHILANTHROPIST, a witty comedy about moral
decadence, opens the Players' current season with an
interesting cast comprising both well-known faces
and newcomers to the Company.

The play is a roundabout of emotional confusion
centred on Philip, a bachelor university teacher
of the structure and development of the English
language, with an uncanny aptitude for misunderstanding
the opposite sex. He is engaged to Celia, tempted by
Araminta and finally contemplates the attractions of
Liz - in short we are treated to an inverted parody
of the Judgement of Paris.

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FUTURE PROGRAMME

The next major production in Moot Hall will be

THE SILVER CURLEW

by Eleanor Farjeon

A play with music based on the fairy story of
Rumpelstiltskin and set in the depths of darkest
East Anglia ! A play for the family.

To be directed by Rosemary Caswell

26, 27 and 28 January 1978

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In the meantime, many of the Players are involved in
The Playhouse Production of HAMLET
16, 17, 18 and 19 November

and another group will be very shortly preparing for
the Company's annual tour of Primary Schools with
a Christmas show