SOMEWHERE [A PRIMER FOR THE END OF DAYS]

BY MARISELA TREVIÑO ORTA DIRECTED BY LISA JACKSON-SCHEBETTA



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SEMINAR PRODUCTIONS

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by Kimberly Belower Directed by John Michael DiResta

In present day Appalachian Georgia, a high school dass explores the seminal American classic, *The Crucible*. As scandal swirls in their community and old heroes are unmasked, the English assignment becomes uncomfortably relevant for the students. The line between witch and heroine blurs in this post-Me Too examination of power, love, and sex education.

October 22ND - 27TH

SOMEWHERE -A PRIMER FOR THE END OF DAYS

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With almost all the insects gone, the world is beginning to fall apart as crops fail and people struggle to hold on to their ways of life. Cassandra and her brother Alexander are tracking the last monarch butterflies in the world as they head to the west coast. Their path intersects with a truffle farm where a small group of people are hunkering down for the on-coming collapse of society.

November 19TH - 21ST & December 3RD - 5TH

Weekday and Saturday shows at 8:00pm. Sunday matinees at 2:00pm.

LAB PROGRAM

The Lab Program provides students with the opportunity to explore their interests in acting, directing, design, and playwriting. Each semester, students develop independent theater projects in consultation with a faculty advisor.

October 7 - 8

PHILLIP GLASS BUYS A LOAF OF BREAD

by David Ives Directed by Micah Pflaum For more details, visit www.skidmoretheaternews.com

November 4 - 5

TWILIGHT BOWL

by Rebecca Gilman Directed by Gemma Siegler For more details, visit www.skidmoretheaternews.com

December 9 - 10

SWIMMING IN THE SHALLOWS

by Adam Bock Directed by Tatsu Rivera For more details, visit www.skidmoretheaternews.com

Labs are performed in Rehearsal Studio A, at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise stated by the director. All performances are free of charge and open to general admission.

SKIDMORE THEATER PRESENTS **SOMEWHERE -A PRIMER FOR** THE END OF DAYS

By Marisela Treviño Orta

DIRECTOR

Lisa Jackson-Schebetta

SCENERY

Gary Wilson

I IGHTING Jared Klein

COSTUMES

Patty Pawliczak

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS HAIR/MAKEUP PUPPETS

Lexy Ho-Tai

May Halm,

Finn Lyon

Tatsu Rivera

DRAMATURGY

Mac Elizalde,

Anne-Sophie Vandenberk

Tiye M. Duncan (Teisha)

MOVEMENT/ PUPPET CHOREOGRAPHY

STAGE MANAGER

Patrick Carter

SOUND

August Sylvester

PLEASE NOTE

There will be a gun on stage in this play, for more information, see: <u>https://linktr.ee/somewherecontent</u>

TIME AND PLACE OF PLAY

WHEN: Perhaps a different time than ours, when things went very wrong, very fast.

WHERE: Cassandra's now defunct lab, a plot of desolate land that used to be a truffle farm not far from an unnamed city in the Pacific Nothwest, a desolate highway in Montana, and a beach on the Pacific Ocean.



Rehearsal Photo, Coltrane Cho '24

CAST

Cassandra	Juli Moreira '23
AlexanderFa	abian Rodriguez '22
DianaK	athryn Stathakis '22
SybilSophia F	Paulino Adames '22
Eph	.Julian Tushabe '22
Corin	Leandro Bustos '23
Ensemble/Puppeteers	Olivia Berenson '24,
Ayesha Domingo	22, Kate Hoag '23,
Darren Jackson-Wilkins '	25, Anne Jainta '25,
Reyn Ricafort	'25, Javier Soto '25



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PRODUCTION TEAM

Technical Director	Jared Klein
Assistant Technical Director	Taylor Jaskula
Scenic Charge	Jess Goerold
Assistant Stage Managers	Noah Greenfield '24, Lucy Richardson '25
Assistant Scenic Designer	Isaac Demarchi '23
Assistant Lighting Designer	Callan Daniel '23
Assistant Sound Designer	Anna Krechevsky '22
Props Artisan	Erin Einzig '23
Master Electrician	Libby Hinshaw '23
Wardrobe Supervisor	Parker Nelson '23
Assistant Costume Designer	Camila Tardif '22
Hair and Makeup Assistant	Maggie Maguire '24
Light Board Operator	Callan Daniel '23, Jade Kobor '24
Sound Board Operator	Anna Krechevsky '22

PLAYWRIGHT BIO



Marisela Treviño Orta is a graduate of the Iowa Playwrights Workshop and has an MFA in Poetry from the University of San Francisco. She was awarded the 2006 Chicano/Latino Literary Prize in Drama, the 2009 Pen Center USA Literary Award in Drama, the 2013 National Latino Playwriting Award, and was a 2019 Kendeda Finalist. She has developed plays at the Playwrights Foundation, Marin Theatre Company, and at the National New Play Network's MFA Playwriting Week at The Kennedy Center. Marisela's produced plays include The River Bride, Heart Shaped Nebula, Ghost Limb, Braided Sorrow, Wolf at the Door, and Woman on Fire. Her plays have been produced by the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Arizona Theatre Company, New Jersey Repertory Company, Halcyon Theatre, Kitchen Dog Theater, Su Teatro, Milagro, Shotgun Players, Stages Repertory Theatre, and Brava Theater. Recent projects include an adaptation of the Julia Alvarez young adult novel Return to Sender (Nashville Children's Theatre), the play Somewhere: A Primer for the End of Days (commissioned by Temple University's Theatre Department, produced at Skidmore College, Pear Theatre, University of Pittsburgh), and an Audible commission Nightfall (co-produced by the Geffen Playhouse).

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

The insects have all disappeared. Nothing can bloom or fruit...The birds will be next... families are rent, humans are holed up... What do you do? Do you take flight? Or do you dig in?

And, what if you held the last insects in the world--a clutch of monarch butterflies?

Perhaps the most valuable resource left on the planet.

What would you do ?

I am deeply honored to work on this play of Marisela's. I have been an admirer of her work for years. I love the unflinching-ness of her work; the all bones and beating heart nature of her text; the joy and humor and love in her characters.

As this play has worked on me, and on all of us, I continue to return to the ways in which the play is about how endings are also beginnings.

How worlds can, do, and will give way to other worlds.

How humans are connected to one another, as well as to other beings, and other realms.

And how vital it is that we *imagine--with* grace, compassion, and humility as much as with muscle and teeth--the worlds that can yet be.

-Lisa Jackson-Schebetta

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FROM THE DRAMATURGS

Climate Change

In "Somewhere: A Primer for the End of Days", Marisela Treviño Orta describes the world as being both "dead and dying" and a time where "things went very wrong, very fast". With insects as the primary consumer of our food chain, the loss of them has a distinct impact on the world that these characters live in. Slowly the rest of the food chain will begin to disappear, until there is nothing left. These facts contour the way the characters of "Somewhere" move through their world. There is no soft hum of insects as they travel across the country. Water systems are cluttered with refuse. Landscapes have been transformed, through over use by humans and by the loss of insects. How long do they have? In our own world, over 40% of insects face the possibility of extinction over the next decade. Extinction happens when a species is no longer able to sustain itself, either because of environmental or evolution factors. In our current moment, most species extinction is caused by human intervention, with the largest causes being habitat loss and pollution. Degradation, destruction, and fragmentation are all forms of habitat loss. Pollution changes ecosystems by releasing chemicals into the air, soil, and water. All of these are a result of human interference with the natural world.

To be sustainable means to "be maintained at a certain rate or level". Right now we are living in a world that will not be able to sustain human life for much longer. While "Somewhere" is not the world we live in now, it is a world that we could live in one day.

<u>Monarchs</u>

Every year monarchs make the migration from the cold Northeast in the United States to the much warmer climate of Central Mexico. The monarch butterfly has become a representation of DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals). The symbol is used widely to advocate for the rights of Mexican, Central American and South American immigrants, many who make long journeys and/or have been separated from their families.

Human migration happens all over the world. Sometimes humans choose to move. Often, humans are forced from their homes because of climate crises, war, violence, persecution, economic collapse, and inequity. Animals and insects migrate, too. Habitat loss, human encroachment, and extreme weather (climate change) affect their patterns and survival.

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Alexander and Cassandra follow monarch butterflies across the United States, biking over one thousand miles and across numerous landscapes, enacting a new migratory journey that nonetheless resonates across species, including the human species. All of the characters in "Somewhere" are forced to migrate, either by choice or because of external forces. Eph and Sybil, for example, move from their small hometown of Driggs, Idaho to the much bigger city of Seattle, Washington. Driggs, Idaho is a small town on the Idaho and Wyoming border with a population of less than two thousand; seventy three percent of the population is white. Eph talks about how life was hard in their hometown so they moved. Their migration might also be seen as a forced migration due to the fact that Eph and Sybil are people of color in a strongly conservative, white majority state. There is a probability that they were not welcome there. While "Somewhere" might not be explicitly about migration, it is an action that is ever present in all of these characters' lives, including the humans, the monarchs, the mycelia, and the earth itself.

<u>Mycelium</u>

Mycelium is a vegitative body of fungus, often compared to the roots of plants and is what mushrooms sprout from. Mycelium typically grows underground, but also can be found at the bottom of dying and rotting trees. Mycelium networks can be extensive, up to miles long, transferring water, nitrogen, and other minerals to various species. The largest known organism and network of mycelium is called Armillaria Ostoyae, or the Humongous Fungus located in the Malheur National Forest in Oregon. Not only is this fungus expansive, but they are also very old, at least a thousand years and possibly twenty five hundred years old. The network spans three square miles across the park. The Armillaria attacks the root of the tree and then moves to the bark, killing the tree and can be tracked by the effects that it has on the trees. Because the Armillaria is typically not visible, it is easiest to tell how it spreads by looking at the state of the tree. Dead trees have been exposed the longest, followed by recently killed trees, the recently symptomatic trees, and the nonsymptomatic trees. The fungus spreads laterally through soil and root contact, creating a gradient pattern of dead trees.

- Anne-Sophie Vandenberk

FROM THE DRAMATURGS

<u>Myth</u>

"Somewhere" is steeped in Greek mythology. Even the names of the characters--Cassandra evokes the cursed princess of Troy; Paris/ Alexander, who caused the Trojan war; Diana; the Roman name for the goddess Artemis--all point to this mythical background. Marisela Treviño Orta takes these Greek foundations and transforms them. In this play, Cassandra--for example--is believed, cared for, and relied upon. What is perhaps most beautiful about the relationship between "Somewhere" and myth is transformations. As we see in Ovid's Metamorphoses, the Greco-Roman world generally saw transformation as a net bad. Daphne, who is mentioned in the play, was a nymph who was the target of Apollo's lust; to escape, she had to transform into a Laurel tree (Ovid, 16). Narcissus transforms due to his obsession with his own reflection (67). Acteon transforms because he views Artemis in her secret pool (61). These are the myths we as a culture are perhaps most familiar with.

I would, however, encourage viewers to think of another myth when entering this play. That of Kleobis and Biton. These two, an elderly couple, were pious and upright when faced by the gods in disguise. This resulted in their transformation into two trees. This was not a punishment, but rather a reward. They were allowed to live forever, together. Sometimes, remaining as we are isn't the plan the gods have in mind.



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CAST Biographies

Olivia Berenson '24 (Chorus) is a History major and a yet-to-be-decided Spanish/Studio Art major. Previous credits at Skidmore include Zombie Rain (Ensemble). In her free time, Olivia enjoys knitting hats, and she worked as a tour guide at a small historical museum last summer. She is thrilled to be in this brilliant work, and would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta, Teisha Duncan and the entire cast and crew for their hard work and amazing support.

Leandro Bustos '23 (Corin) is a junior Theater major from Argentina. His previous credits at Skidmore include The Hour We Knew Nothing of Each Other (Ensemble) and No Names (Ensemble). Outside of Skidmore, Leandro has been involved in community theaters in India and Argentina. Leandro would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta, Teisha Duncan, and the entire crew for such incredible work on this production.

Ayesha Robyn F. Domingo '22 (Chorus) is a senior Theater major from Hong Kong and The Philippines. Favorite Skidmore credits include Bamboo Box (China Girl) and Dogeaters (Pucha). She was in a stage reading of Jessica Huang's Purple Cloud, boasting Skidmore's first full Asian and Asian-American cast. She is grateful to Lisa, Teisha, the production crew, and her Senior Project advisor, Dennis, for always putting everyone's safety and comfort first at every step of the production and helping her grow as an actor.

Kate Hoag '23 (Chorus) is a Theater Major. Her previous credits at Skidmore include *Our Trip to San Marino* (Natalie's Mom) and a devised piece called *Kaleidoscope*. She would like to thank her directors, Teisha, and stage managers for their hard work and support.

Darren Jackson-Wilkins '25 (Chorus) is planning on being a Theater Major and Arts Administration Minor and is from Hackensack, New Jersey. This is his first show at Skidmore! Darren has many years of musical theater and vocal training including credits such as *Hello*, *Dolly!* (Barnaby), The *Wizard* of *Oz* (Tin Man), Cabaret (Kit Kat Boy), *Hairspray* (Seaweed), and *Seussical* (Horton). During his free time he enjoys shopping and listening to new music! He would like to thank the upperclassmen of the Theater Department for making him feel so welcome here at Skidmore!

Anne Jainta '25 (chorus), is a prospective Theater and/or Environmental Studies major from Frankfurt, Germany. In High School she found much love in the variety of Theater making and hopes to find her way around the stage in the years to come. She's thankful to be part of Somewhere for it did not only provide a thorough dive into Skidmore's Theater department but also lots of laughter and growth.

Juli Moreira '23 (Cassandra) is a psychology major and a theater minor from Bronx, New York. Previous credits at Skidmore include The Harvest (Ada), Lunch Bunch (Grace), and Plano (Anne). Outside of the Theater Juli is interested in clinical psychology and research and also enjoys acrylic painting and singing. She would like to thank her wonderful housemates for their support and providing an endless source of humor and fun. Juli has truly enjoyed getting to work with this talented cast and would also like to thank everyone in the Skidmore Theater Department for their hard work on bringing this production to life.

Sophia Paulino Adames '22 (Sybil) is a French major and Studio Art minor hailing from the Dominican Republic. Previous credits include Devotees in the Garden of Love (George I), Off The Shelf (Kara Walker), and Our Dear Dead Druglord (Squeeze). Outside of theater, she serves on the Senior Gift Executive Committee and works as the Public Programming Intern: Tang Live Coordinator at the Tang Teaching Museum. She would like to thank Dennis Schebetta for his instruction, Lisa Jackson-Schebetta for her brilliant direction, the cast & crew for their friendship, Catherine Talley for her academic/moral support, and her friends for their disposition. **Reyn Ricafort '25** (Chorus) is a hopeful Theater Major and Media and Film Studies Minor from Boston and the Philippines. Recent credits outside of Skidmore include *Bright Star* (Daryl), *Fiddler on the Roof* (Avram), Godspell (Telly), and *Into the Woods* (The Wolf). In his free time, Reyn enjoys spending time with friends, reading dramatic literature, and singing. He would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta, Teisha Duncan, and the entire theater department for welcoming him with open arms on his first theater production at Skidmore.

Fabian Rodriguez '22 (Alexander) is a senior Theater Major from Dallas, TX. Some of his favorite credits at Skidmore include Plano (Juan/John), House of Desires (Don Pedro), and Off the Shelf (Ensemble). This summer Fabian was on tour for the production of Children's Crusade (Galamont), safely bringing to communities during the theater pandemic. He would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta and Teisha Duncan for their guidance and leadership as well as the Crew for all of their hard work behind the scenes. A special thanks to É.A.C. for her support through the late nights and tough days. @rodz fabian

Kathryn Stathakis '22 (Diana) is a senior Political Science major and Theatre minor from Manhattan. Previous credits at Skidmore include LOS3RS (Erin), House of Desires (Doña Leonor), Our Trip to San Marino (Natalie), Collective Rage (Betty 2), Sad Boy Hours (Chorus), and Reach Out, Pull Back (Liz). Outside of theater, Kathryn is a music director for the Dynamics, Skidmore's oldest co-ed acapella group. She also works at Carry the Future, a nonprofit organization, and interns at a New York City political consulting firm. She would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta, Teisha Duncan, and the entire cast and crew for their guidance and support. She would also like to thank her wonderful and amazing friends, family, and frenchie for all their love.

Javier Soto '25 (Chorus) is a prospective Theater major from Santiago, Chile. It's his first show for Skidmore. Some previous high school credits include Grease (Danny) and *In the Heights* (Usnavi). He would like to thank his family, Lisa Jackson-Schebetta, Teisha Duncan, and the entire cast, crew, and staff who make this and other productions at Skidmore possible.

Julian Tushabe '22 (Eph) is a senior double majoring in Business and Theater with a Media and Film Studies minor. Favorite Skidmore credits include The Harvest (Marcus) and Cabaret (Emcee). Outside of Skidmore, he has done various projects with regional theatre companies such as Berkshire Theatre Festival, Capital Repertory Theatre, Saratoga Shakespeare, and Black Theatre Troupe of Upstate NY. This past summer he was a finalist in Black Theatre Network's National Student Quest Monologue Competition and trained in workshops with other competitors. He thanks the entire cast and crew for their wholehearted collaboration and his family for their unconditional support.



PRODUCTION BIOGRAPHIES

Patrick Carter '22 (Stage Manager) is a Music and Psychology double-major with a Theater minor. Previous credits include Frozen Fluid (Stage Manager/Lighting & Props Designer), The Thanksgiving Play (Stage Manager/Sound Designer), The Gulf (Stage Manager/Sound Designer), The Harvest (ASM) and Cabaret (ASM). He is also currently employed as a Theater Technician in the JKB Scene Shop. In his free time, Patrick enjoys choral singing, specialty coffee, and Dungeons & Dragons. He would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta for her solidarity, the cast and crew for their camaraderie, and his partner/ housemates for their love and support.

Isaac DeMarchi '23 (Assistant Scenic Designer) is a Theater and History double major. Previous credits include Arch.1.tect (Assistant Scenic Designer/ Props Designer) and Living Through Isolation (Set Designer/ Lighting Designer). He would like to thank Jared Klein and Gary Wilson for their mentorship and insight.

Callan Daniel '23 (Assistant Lighting Designer) Is a Theater and American Studies double major. Prior credits at Skidmore include *Lunch Bunch* (Hannah), *Plano* (sound design), *Zombie Rain* (Light design), and *Twilight Bowl* (Light design). Outside of theater Callan enjoys being outdoors and performing with the Skidmore Sketchies, a sketch comedy group on campus. She would like to thank Jared, Lisa, and Taylor for their mentorship, as well as her roommates and the ladies of J8.

Tiye M. Duncan (Teisha), (Movement Direction/Puppet Choreography) is a multi- and interdisciplinary performer/ theater-maker who works as an actress, vocalist, movement artist, director, writer, and educator. Her work as a movement director focuses on intercultural movement-based practices in puppetry, mask work, and ritual performance. She is particularly interested in performancebased cultural heritage within the African diaspora. At Skidmore, this is Teisha's first mainstage movement direction/ puppet choreographic experience. Most recent movement direction/puppet choreography credits include: Wiley and the Hairy Man (Southern Arkansas University), University of Pittsburgh-Little Shop of Horrors {puppetry and Asst. Direction}, Baltimore {Movement Direction/Asst. Direction} and Howard University-U.G.L.Y. {Asst. Direction}. Her most recent directing credits include: Hybrid Theatre- Cloud Watching, Good for You, I Can't Breathe (Conch Shell Productions), Arithmetic of Memory (Reset Theatre Coalition), Will We Make It? (Braata Productions' Caribbean in Queens Radio Drama Series), and The Children from the Blue Mountain (Rough Draft Festival). Acting Credits: Disney's The Lion King, Caroline or Change (Gallery Players), When you come for one of us, you come for all of us. AKA This is America (Best Actress Nominee at the Strawberry One-Act Festival 2019), Do Wager (Atlantic Pacific Theatre), In the Jungle of Cities (Smpl Mchn), Tartuffe (University Players) {International Theatre Institute 'Best Actress'' Actor Boy Awards nomination}, and The Secret Garden (Adventure Theatre) just to name a few. She proudly hails from Kingston, Jamaica (Xaymaca).

Erin Einzig '23 (Props Master) is a junior Theater Major and English Minor. Her previous Skidmore credits include acting in Lunch Bunch (Tal), Kaleidoscope (Ensemble), and Philip Glass Buys a Loaf of Bread (First Woman) as well as being a swing for John Proctor is the Villain. She is excited to be working on props for the first time and thanks Gary Wilson, Jared Klein and Lisa Jackson-Schebetta for giving her this opportunity. She would also like to thank and congratulate her housemates May Halm and Juli Moreira for all their dedication and support.

M. Cesar Elizalde '23 (Dramaturg) is an Anthropology and Classics Double Major from Manila, Philippines. At Skidmore, they previously acted in The Hour We Knew Nothing of Each Other. Outside of theater, they currently work as one of the head Arts Guides at Skidmore Admissions. They would like to thank the entire cast and crew, especially Lisa Jackson-Schebetta, without whose encouragement they would not have taken this opportunity, and Anne-Sophie Vandenberk, for her collaboration and support.

Noah Greenfield '24 (Assistant Stage Manager) is a to-be-declared physiology major. Previous credits include Zombie Rain (Stage Manager), Living Through Isolation (Noah), and By Design (Optimist). He is excited to be an ASM, and would like to thank Jared Klein and Lisa Jackson-Schebetta for the opportunity, Patrick Carter and Jessie March for their guidance, and Lucy Richardson for her companionship!

May Halm '23 (Assistant Director) is a Theater major and Environmental Science minor from Damariscotta Maine. Previous credits include Radium Girls (Katherine Shaub) and Plano (Isabel). Next Semester May will be studying abroad at the British American Drama Academy in London! During the summer she works for Heartwood Theater in Damariscotta Regional Maine. Outside of the theater, May is a member of the Dynamics, a co-ed acapella group on campus. She would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta for the amazing opportunity to work alongside her and all her guidance and support! She would also like to thank Teisha Duncan and the entire cast and crew of "Somewhere" for all their hard work and dedication.

Ho-Tai's Lexy (she/her) (Puppet Designer) multi-disciplinary art and teaching practice explores imaginative and tangible world-building through craft and play. Working in a range of mediums, her collaborative and participatory work employs humor, imagination, and absurdity to invite viewers to contemplate pressing social and environmental issues. She believes that joy is an act of resistance, and that play forges a powerful space for audiences to envision and work towards alternative futures. Residencies include the Watermill Center, Flux Factory, ARoS Museum, Everglades National Park, Museum of Arts and Design, Art Farm and Elsewhere Museum. You can her work see at lexymakesthings.com @lexymakesthings or

Lisa Jackson-Schebetta (Director) director, dramaturg, is a devisor. and historian. She has directed with chashama, American Globe Theater. HERE, Happy Hour Productions, Live Girls! Theater, University of Pittsburgh, Virginia Commonwealth University, and Firehouse Theater, among others. Jackson-Schebetta's dramaturgy includes new work, public dramaturgy, classics, and film with Seattle Shakespeare Company, Wild Iris Productions, Bellevue College, University of Washington, and American Globe Theater. Her scholarship has been published in Theatre Survey, Theatre History Studies, Modern Drama, The Journal of American Drama and Theatre, and others. Jackson-Schebetta's monograph, Traveler, there is no road: Theatre, the Spanish Civil War and the Decolonial Imagination in the Americas was published with University of Iowa Press in 2017. She is the immediate past-President of the American Theater and Drama Society and general editor of Theatre History Studies. Her current book project examines performance and peacemaking in the hemispheric Americas.

Jared Klein (Lighting Designer/Technical Director) is an Artist-In-Residence and the Technical Director for the Skidmore College Theater Department. Select lighting design credits at Skidmore include: Radium Girls, Cabaret, We Used To Wear Bonnets & Get High All The Time, 33 Variations, Let The Right One In, Balm In Gilead, Fragments, Who Will Carry The Word, Our Town and Blood Wedding. Select visiting artist design collaborations include: Phil Soltanoff. Joe Diebes, Sara Juli, Howard Fishman, SITI and NYSSSA Dance. Previously, Jared was the Production Manager and Technical Director for BRIC Arts Media Brooklyn, where he opened their state-ofthe-art facility in the heart of downtown Brooklyn's cultural district and production managed the inaugural season. Prior to that, Jared spent six years as the Technical Director and Resident Designer for the BFA Tech and Design program at Adelphi University. In addition to more than a decade of educational experience, Jared has twenty years of professional experience as a Technical Director, Lighting/Video Designer, and Production Manager for both theatrical industrial design and companies throughout the US and Europe. He was

a member and resident Lighting/ Video Designer with the New Yorkbased experimental theater company, Floods, and founding Fovea a member of the Obie award-winning Bushwick Starr Theater in Brooklyn. International lighting design and technical direction credits include Big Art Group's House of No More, Shelf Life, and Flicker. New York design credits include: Cassandra (Helga Davis, BRIC), Minority and Glee (Nina Winthrop & Dancers, The Flea Winthrop & Dancers, The Flea Theater), The Resistible Rise of Arturo Ui (Fovea Floods, Ontological-Hysteric Theater), One for the Road (Fovea Floods, CSV), The Maids (Fovea Floods, Bushwick Starr), and House of No More (Big Art Group, PS122).

Krechevsky '22 (Assistant Anna Sound Designer) is a Theater major with an Arts Administration minor. president of Skidmore Anna is TheatreBreds, inclusive the all theater club. Her previous credits Skidmore include The Spitfire at Grill (Perchance "Percy" Talbott), a devised piece called Kaleidoscope, and a playwright's lab The Fascists of the Future (Caoimhe). Anna is pursuing a career in directing/playwriting, and hopes to work for a nonprofit theater organization and teach. She is grateful for the opportunity to work alongside Sound Designer August Sylvester to learn more about the world of sound design. She hopes you enjoy the show.

Finn Lyon '23 (Hair & Makeup Designer) is a junior pursuing a Theater major. Previous tech credits at Skidmore include Zombie Rain (Costume Designer/Props Master) and The Hour We Knew Nothing of Each Other (Wardrobe Crew). Finn is also an actor and played Alexis in The Chaparral in Skidmore's 2021 Springfest. They would like to thank Patty Pawliczak and Samantha Garwood for this opportunity and especially their assistant Maggie for all their help! <3

Maggie McGuire '24 (Assistant Hair & Makeup Designer) is a sophomore at Skidmore College. Although currently undeclared, Maggie is looking to be a Theater Major and Film/Media Studies Minor. Some of their other credits include acting in No Names and costume management for Living Through Isolation, as well as being the assistant hair and makeup designer for John Proctor is the Villain. Maggie would like to thank the cast and crew of "Somewhere" for their hard work, and Finn Lyon for showing them the ropes of Hair & Makeup design :)

Patty Pawliczak (Costume Designer) has been designing shows, teaching, and running the costume shop at Skidmore for more than thirty years. Some of her favorite shows have been Radium Girls, Big Love, Passion Play, The Servant of Two Masters, The Grand Guignol, Sweeney Todd, The Life of Galileo, and The Misanthrope. She is very grateful for all the dedicated and hard-working students who helped these ideas come to life. And for Sam, her friend and colleague in the shop. "I couldn't do it without them."

Lucy Richardson '25 (Assistant Stage Manager) is a freshman at Skidmore! Previous include Into credits Woods (Baker's Wife), Puffs (Sally Perks), Rent (Lighting Operator), and Legally Blonde (Stage Manager), A Man of No Importance (Backstage Crew). Lucy would like to thank the entire cast and crew for bringing such positive energy all the time! She would also like to thank Patrick Carter for all of his amazing advice and Noah Greenfield for being such an awesome friend and keeping her sane :)

Tatsu Rivera '22 (Assistant Director) is a Political Science and Theater double major. At Skidmore they have written and helped facilitate staged readings of their own work *The Chaparral* and *Rex's Journal*. Besides playwriting and directing they also dawn the roles of: actor, designer, poet and drag artist. They would like to thank the cast for allowing them to take part in this journey and help in whatever ways they could.

August Sylvester (Sound Designer) is a sound designer and technician who received her bachelor's degree from Skidmore in 2020. She now lives in Brooklyn, where she works in theater and visual arts. Some of her alltime favorite design projects include Bamboo Box (Skidmore SpringFest) and Off the Shelf (Skidmore Theater/ Tang Museum). She would like to thank Jared and the rest of the team for inviting her back, as well as everyone who helped to implement the show while she was working remotely.

Camila Tardif '22 (Assistant Costume Designer) is a Psychology major and Studio Art minor. Previous credits include Plano (Costume Designer), The Danube (Costume Designer), The Hour We Knew Nothing Of Each Other (Assistant Costume Designer), Radium Girls (Assistant Costume Designer), and Twilight Bowl (Costume Designer). Outside of theater, Camila enjoys creating their own clothing items as well as performing in Skidomedy, one of the sketch-comedy clubs on campus. Camila would like to thank Patty and Sam for their guidance and their friends for their support.

Garett Wilson (Scenic Designer) is a Senior Artist-in-Residence in the Skidmore College Theater Department. Garett has designed scenery, projections, lighting and has done stage work for numerous local and regional companies, including The Maine State Music Theater, The Hampton Playhouse, Portland Ballet, Capital Repertory Playhouse, Curtain Call Theatre, ACT, Berkshire Theatre Festival, Shadowland Theatre, Theater by the Sea, and the New York State Theater Institute. Garett has designed over thirty operas for the Lake George Opera/Opera Saratoga including La Bohéme, Don Giovanni, The Barber of Seville, Ariadne Auf Naxos, Candide, Il Matrimonio Segreto, Madame Butterfly, the site-specific production of Dido and Aeneas at the National Museum of Dance, and the world professional premiere of Ned Rorem's Our Town. Garett has also designed scenery, projections, and occasionally lighting, for over fifty productions at Skidmore including Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street, The Imp of Simplicity, Machinal, Arcadia, The Butterfly's Evil Spell, Museum, A Dream Play, Enemy of the People, Eurydice, Macbeth, and more recently Balm in Gilead, Cabaret and Radium Girls. In 2009 Garett created a solo exhibition of selected design materials in the spa titled "Theatrical Space and the Design Idea," which was

selected for inclusion in the Saratoga Arts Festival. He also has collaborated with Denise Limoli from dance and Tony Holland from the music department on scenery for the ballets Sleeping Beauty and an evening of Ballet Russes and with Sylvia Stoner-Hawkins from the music department on scenery for the opera Xerxes. Garett serves on the board of Saratoga Shakespeare Festival and has designed scenery for them including productions of As YouLike It, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Winter's Tale, and Henry IV parts 1&2.

Anne-Sophie Vandenberk '23 (Dramaturg) is a Theater Major and an Environmental Science and Studies Minor. She previously Co-Directed UPLIFT alongside Will Cater and Dare Wedgworth. UPLIFT is now a BIPOC affinity space that meets weekly to create art and host open mics. She would like to thank Lisa Jackson-Schebetta for her continuous guidance and support and Mac Elizalde for their collaboration and friendship.

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The benevolence of Arnold and Janet Kinghorn Bernhard (Class of 1926) made Skidmore's theater facility a reality. The 34,000 square-foot Janet Kinghorn Bernhard Theater is one of four performing and fine arts facilities at Skidmore, along with the Arthur Zankel Music Center, the Saisselin Arts Building, and the Dance Center. It boasts a 345-seat thrust theater as well as a studio black box theater, in which a variety of seating and staging arrangements are explored. Both theater spaces use stateof-the-art theater equipment. The building also houses complete training and support facilities, including scenic, lighting, paint and costume shops, rehearsal and design studios, and faculty and staff offices. The Bernhard Theater has become a vital cultural resource for college and community life at Skidmore and serves as a home to the Skidmore Theater program, recognized nationwide for offering the finest pre-professional undergraduate theater training within the context of a strong liberal arts education.

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he Department of Theater offers an opportunity to pursue a serious study of the theater within a liberal arts context. The goal of making a life in the theater is best served by aquiring a broad-based liberal arts education in conjunction with strong training in the theories and techniques of making theater. Through this relationship, students understand the intellectual, moral, and political framework of the world that the theater artist will ultimately express on stage. We provide an atmosphere where students generate theater as collaborative artists and apply interdisciplinary research to the production process. Along with drawing upon a variety of liberal arts offerings at the college, a theater student also requires a knowledge of theater history, dramatic literature, theory, criticism, playwriting, acting, directing, design, technical theater, and theater management. Areas of concentration may be tailored to fit individual needs. There are also opportunities for advanced study and professional internships. To this end, we host the SITI company and the Saratoga Shakespeare Company in the summer. We also maintain strong relationships with Shakespeare & Co., the Skidmore Shakespeare Programme in London, the Moscow Art Theater School, Second City, and the National Theater Institute (NTI).

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