

THE 5 & DIME
in partnership with
THE CUMMER MUSEUM OF ART & GARDENS
presents

33

VARIATIONS

BY MOISÉS KAUFMAN

directed by LEE HAMBY

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July 18 – 27, 2014

www.The5andDime.org



As we begin celebrating our three year anniversary, we're very excited to announce that The 5 & Dime is now officially a 501c3 Non-Profit Organization.

To all who helped make this possible - actors, creative teams, backstage crews, and everyone else who donated their time and talents with such a passionate and generous spirit, and our patrons who find us no matter where we put up a stage and continue to be so enthusiastic about the stories we tell - from the bottom of our hearts we say THANK YOU!



Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) is a motor neuron disease, first described in 1869 by the noted French neurologist Jean-Martin Charcot. Although the cause of ALS is not completely understood, the last decade has brought a wealth of new scientific understanding about the disease that provides hope for the future. Visit the ALS Association website for more information: webfl.alsa.org

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

There are two distinct reasons I fell in love with the script of 33 Variations and ultimately the reason I wanted to direct the show. The first is the idea of a play with live musical accompaniment. To get to direct a play with a live "soundtrack" is a dream. And what a score it is - written by western civilization's greatest composer. Ludwig van Beethoven. I was also drawn to the powerful transformation our two main characters make as they both struggle with troubled relationships, deteriorating health and a passionate desire to complete their life's work. When combined, these elements create a powerful, poignant and compelling story. Which is exactly what The 5 & Dime is all about.

I hope you are as moved and inspired as I am.

— Lee Hamby, Director of 33 Variations

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TIME

1819, 1823, and the present

PLACE

New York, USA, Bonn, Germany, and Vienna, Austria

PIANIST Laura Peden

CHARACTERS

DR. KATHERINE BRANDT Sinda Nichols

CLARA BRANDT Kristen Walsh

MIKE CLARK Franklin Ritch

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN Jason Woods

ANTON DIABELLI Jeffrey Wells

DR. GERTRUDE LADENBURGER Caroline Lee

ANTON SCHINDLER Joshua Taylor

There will be one fifteen minute intermission

33 VARIATIONS is produced by special arrangement with
Dramatic Publishing Company

Director Lee Hamby

Music Director Laura Peden

Stage Manager Sherry Walsh

Production Manager Evan Gould

Set & Costume Design Lee Hamby

Lighting Design Carl Vorwerk

Stage Crew Sherry Walsh, Greg Walsh

Tech Crew Abigail Saenz, Evan Gould, Lee Hamby

Projections Caryl Butterley

Voiceover Artists Uli Decker, Karen Feagins

Andrew Weichman, Abigail Saenz

Properties Maggie O'Connor, Pat Gorman
Hair Lee Hamby
Production Assistance Michael Schnepf, Ilana Gould, Josh Waller
Josh Taylor, Ellen Easter Powell, Maggie OConnor, Pat Gorman
ALS Consultant..... Karen Overstreet
Venue Coordinator Lee Hamby
Marketing Coordinator Judy Gould
Website, Graphic Design, Social Media MarketingCaryl Butterley
Photographer JenHoldman Photography
Box Office Manager Krysten Bennett
Volunteer Coordinator Craig Leavitt



CAROLINE LEE (DR. GERTRUDE LADENBURGER) is excited and honored to make her debut with The 5 & Dime. Past performances around Jacksonville include TALKING HEADS (parts 1 & 2) and ANGELS IN AMERICA at Players by the Sea, and SHAYNA MAIDEL (actress of the year), LETTICE & LOVAGE (best supporting actress), and the TRIANGLE FACTORY FIRE PROJECT, at Theatre Jacksonville. Caroline has worked on radio, television and on site for the Jacksonville Zoo. Thank you to Lee Hamby and the outstanding cast and crew of 33 Variations for this unique opportunity. Thank you to my darling Dr. Ed and the fabulous four Lee kids for your support and patience during my absence; momma will be home soon.



SINDA NICHOLS (DR. KATHERINE BRANDT) Most recently Sinda has performed the role of Eppie Lederer aka Ann Landers in the one woman show, THE LADY WITH ALL THE ANSWERS. Since 2010, Ms. Nichols has been delighting audiences in Florida, the midwest, the west coast and Ireland with her performance of Emily Dickinson in the one woman show, THE BELLE OF AMHERST. A native of Michigan, Ms. Nichols has studied acting & directing at Michigan State and University of Minnesota (BA). In addition to acting and directing, she has enjoyed being a professional storyteller, voice over actor and public radio host. Currently, Ms. Nichols takes both one woman shows on the road, teaches acting classes in Fernandina Beach and works as a Business Communications Coach. Sinda is thrilled and honored to be part of this exquisite play, this inspiring theatre company, and to work this fabulous cast and crew and director! | www.sindanichols.com



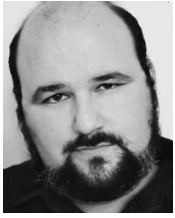
FRANKLIN RITCH (MIKE CLARK) Not much is known about this elusive creature. We can only rely on what he tells us about himself. Can we trust him in good conscience? It doesn't matter. This is all we have to go on. This is exactly what he has written. Literally. This text was copied and pasted. Contrary to popular theory, Franklin Ritch is actually two words. This is a confusion that Franklin struggles with every day of his life. Many also believe that Franklin Ritch writes his name in black. This is also false. If these programs were printed in color you would notice that his name is actually written in a dark shade of purple. Aside from this, minimal experience, and of course, the obligatory website plug (www.franklinritch.com), there's not much else to say about Franklin Ritch. Unfortunately, he speaks for himself.



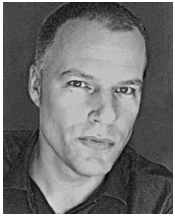
JOSHUA TAYLOR (ANTON SCHINDLER) is a Jacksonville native who received his theatre degree from Florida School of the Arts. He was most recently seen in The 5 & Dime's production OF ELEGIES FOR ANGELS, PUNKS, AND RAGING QUEENS. This marks his second performance with The 5 & Dime. Credits - Theatre Jacksonville: TWENTIETH CENTURY (George Smith), NIGHT OF JANUARY 16TH (Lawrence "Guts" Regan), DEARLY BELOVED (Justin Waverly - Best Supporting Actor Award), OUR TOWN (Simon Stimson), Romeo & Juliet (Gregory). Players By The Sea: BLOODY BLOODY ANDREW JACKSON (Henry Clay), THE MERCHANT OF VENICE (Lorenzo), A MOON FOR THE MISBEGOTTEN (Mike Hogan), PARADE (Officer Ivey), BILL W. & DR. BOB (Various), A PERFECT GANESH (Various). He is proud to be a founding member of The 5 & Dime, currently serving on the Artistic Board. He would like to thank his incredibly loving and supportive family and friends, as well as the tirelessly dedicated cast and crew. He dedicates this performance to his mother and father, who continue to provide daily inspiration in all areas of his life. "An actor is a sculptor who carves in snow."



KRISTEN WALSH (CLARA BRANDT) is extremely excited to be returning for her second show with The 5 & Dime, having appeared as Susan in last year's PITMEN PAINTERS. You may also have seen her as Melody in BE A GOOD LITTLE WIDOW at Orange Park Community Theater or in numerous other productions around town. You can also find Kristen in several local short films, including THE CHRONICLES OF ALEXANDER HAWTHORNE, THE BACK-SHIFTER, and a small cameo in THE LAST RESORT NEWS, all of which can be found on YouTube



JEFFREY WELLS (ANTON DIABELLI) is making his debut with The 5 & Dime and he couldn't be more excited. He's had the pleasure of working with many of the theatres throughout Jacksonville as actor and occasional director. His varied roles include Odell in *SORDID LIVES*, Dave in the *FULL MONTY*, Charles Filtch in *THREE PENNY OPERA*, Senator Fipp in *URINETOWN*, Beadle Bamford in *SWEENEY TODD* and Michal in *PILLOWMAN*. He is thankful for the opportunity to work with the great staff and volunteers at The 5 & Dime and thanks all patrons who support the Arts.



JASON WOODS (LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN) is honored to make his debut with The 5 & Dime in *33 Variations* as Ludwig Van Beethoven. An actor, director, and composer, Mr. Woods began his theatrical journey in the title role of *OLIVER!* and has since performed a vast array of characters including Bottom from William Shakespeare's *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM*, Duke Frederick from *AS YOU LIKE IT*, Elwood P. Dowd in Mary Chase's Pulitzer Prize winning play *HARVEY*, Toad in *THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS*, and a solo stage performance of *A CHRISTMAS CAROL*, in which he portrays twenty-five characters and also composed the original music. Selected directing credits include: *THE MUSIC MAN*, *CHARLOTTE'S WEB*, *OLIVER!*, and *THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS*. Mr. Woods would like to extend his gratitude to Lee Hamby and The 5 & Dime for their hospitality and genuine commitment to community-building art; thank you for putting your words into action.



LAURA PEDEN (Pianist / Music Director) is honored to return to The 5 & Dime after serving as Music Director for their production of *ELEGIES FOR ANGELS*, *PUNKS*, and *RAGING QUEENS* last fall. A graduate of Texas Christian University, Laura has been an independent piano teacher for over twenty years, offering piano instruction to children and adults. She is active in the local theater community, serving as Music Director for many critically-acclaimed productions - favorites include *NUNSENSE*, *FOREVER PLAID* and *INTO THE WOODS* at Theatre Jacksonville, *CHICAGO* and *THE TAFFETAS* at Players by the Sea, *JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT* at the Alhambra Dinner Theatre, as well as *PETER PAN* and *HOW TO SUCCEED...* at FSCJ's Summer Musical Theater Experience.

LEE HAMBY (Director, Set & Costume Design) wears many hats in this business we call Theatre. Designer, director, choreographer, actor, volunteer and social butterfly just to name a few. A Jacksonville native and a graduate of Douglas Anderson School of the Arts majoring in Vocal Music/Musical Theatre, Lee went on to study Musical Theatre at The Broadway Theatre Project and The American Musical and Dramatic Academy under the direction of such greats as Gregory Hines, Tommy Tune, Ann Reinking, Jules Styne, Chita Rivera and Patricia Birch. Working as a professional actor for almost 2 decades, Lee has traveled the US and Europe performing in national tours, regional theatres, amusement parks and dinner theatres in a vast array of musicals, plays and revues. Residing in Jacksonville once again he is currently very active in the local arts community serving on boards and repertory committees as well as performing, designing, teaching and directing. He is one of the founders and board members of The 5 & Dime.

SHERRY WALSH (Stage Manager) has been involved in community theater since 1994, filling jobs from lights and sound to stage manager. She most recently worked as stage manager for Orange Park Community Theater's production of ALMOST, MAINE. While Sherry has constantly been around the stage, she has never been on it (though her voice has) and pretty much is happy for it to stay that way. Sherry works as a reading coach at Ridgeview High School and is currently working on a Ph.D in Educational Technology at UF.

EVAN GOULD (Production Manager) is proud to be one of the nine founding members of The 5 & Dime. He also serves on the theater company's Artistic Team. When he is not performing in front of his drama and chorus classes at Lake Asbury Jr. High, he is performing on local stages. His latest gig was as Bamatabois in Theatre Jacksonville's production of LES MISÉRABLES.

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gorgeous tables on our set?

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THE 5 & DIME tells stories that engage, inspire, entertain, and challenge audiences, nurturing a rich artistic culture in Jacksonville's Urban Core.

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ARTISTS and we will create a joyous, energetic, vibrant, and safe home for artists.

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With a vast array of entertainment and educational opportunities for art lovers and audiences, community members may take great pride in this city's flourishing presence on the map of places in which the cultural arts community is busy making change. Ask yourself what you can do to help support the arts — then do it.

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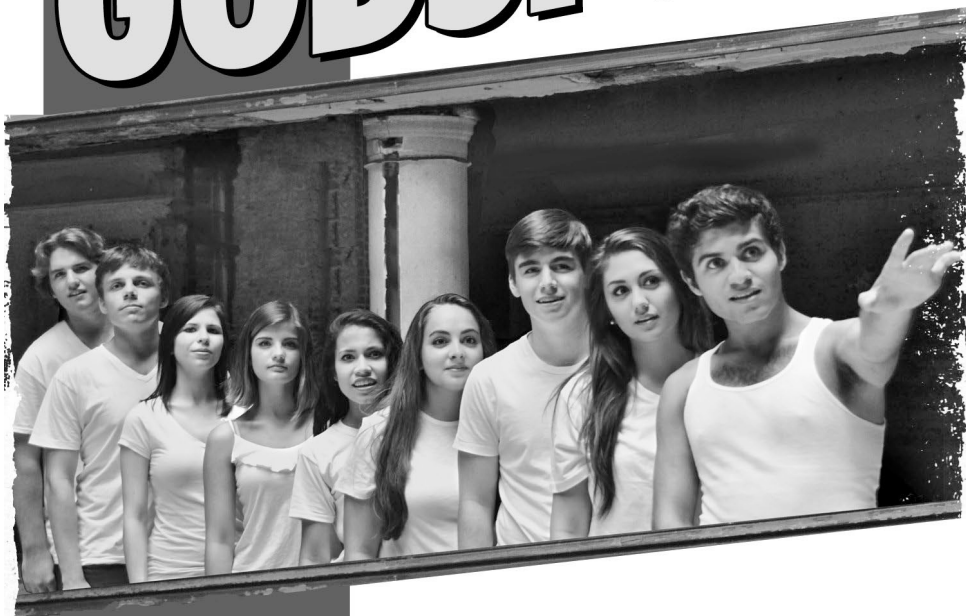
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