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We believe in the value that community theater represents all people. That is why this season, PM&L is proud to present exciting out of the ordinary productions, along with audience favorites. We have productions lined up that provide a wide range of entertainment including wonderful tap your feet musicals, laugh out loud comedies, holiday classics, suspenseful mysteries, and breathtaking dramas. We certainly plan to keep you on the edge of your seats this season. Please see our season flyer or website for the full line up of upcoming shows and events.

Our website has been updated with a cleaner, more streamlined look. On there, you can find more information on auditions, shows, memberships, donations, and season passes. Take a look at www. pmltheatre.com and let us know what you think.

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Directed for PM&L by Guy Finley Weekends May 20 - June 5, 2022

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## Setting

The living room of Diane and Amanda in a Gurnee townhome during the 2008 Financial Crisis.

- Act 1, Scene 1 Late Morning
- Act 1, Scene 2 Later that Evening
- Act 2 Five days later

## **Cast of Characters**

Amanda	HILARY SCHNEIDER
Diane	VIVIAN MOLLER
Verna	MAUREEN P. LAVIN
Kathy Ann	YVONNE ALTON
Rose	ROSANNE MADER
Harry	BOB BOYD
Tony	JIM STAHL

## Acknowledgements

Kevin Woodside

## Profiles

#### Yvonne Alton as Kathy Ann

Yvonne has been acting and directing for over 40 years at PM&L and throughout the area. She previously appeared in *The Trip to Bountiful, Steel Magnolias, Nuts, Mousetrap, Kill Me Deadly, Blithe Spirit,* and *The Foreigner*, to name a few. She has also done Voice Over work, Dinner Theater and Children's Programs for Cable T.V. She is delighted to be part of this talented cast and grateful to Guy for casting her. "Love to my family and H.P."

### Bob Boyd as Harry

Bob loves performing and has been in plays all his life (or so it seems). He had his VERY best time working at PM&L in *A Few Good Men* where he got to meet some extraordinary people. He has also appeared at the Woodstock Opera House in *A Christmas Carol* and *One Flew Over The Cuckoos Nest*. His love of theatre goes back to appearing in a Chicago Park District version of *Snow White* as Sleepy. He lives in Woodstock with his wife and 2 terrific kids.

### Maureen P. Lavin as Verna

In Best Little Whorehouse in Texas, as one of Mona's "ladies," Maureen helped "raise chickens" on the chicken ranch. As Char Woman in A Christmas Carol, and as Dr. June Heidelberg in Murder's Bad but Monday Can Kill You, she scared the bejeepers out of you. As Busty Betsy in The Visitation, she got her pipes worked on, and the plumber wound up dead. She helped to rock you as Madonna/a Bohemian in We Will Rock You, by Queen.

## Rosanne "Boots" Mader as Rose

Rosanne is so happy to be back with her friends at PM&L! She was thrilled to be cast in this funny show. She has been in a number of shows at PM&L and hopes to be in many more. "Thanks, Guy, for casting me and thanks to everyone in the show for being you! I hope you all enjoy this show and laugh as much as we have!"









## Profiles

#### Vivian Moller as Diane

A lifelong lover of theatre, Vivian is making her debut with PM&L. Most recently, she has performed in the Village Playhouse of West Allis' One Act Play Festival, as well as *Lilies of the Field* and a radio play of *Little Women*. A voiceover artist, Vivian also spends time riding horses, golfing and serving on a few non-profit boards. Enjoy the show!

#### Hilary Schneider as Amanda

Hilary is happy to be back performing on the PM&L stage. She has been involved in previous productions, and was last seen in *Chess the Musical*. She has also worked backstage and been a Stage Manager. She has had so much fun being a part of this show, and hopes the audience enjoys it just as much.

### Jim Stahl as Tony

Trained at Second City in Chicago, and at Actors, Models and Talent for Christ (AMTC), Jim recently appeared in *The Zion Passion Play* and *Ripcord*. With performing credits in a wide variety of productions at PM&L, Waukesha Civic Theatre, Sunset Playhouse, and The Kirk Players, he has enjoyed both comedic and dramatic roles.

## Joe Simonelli, Author

Joe Simonelli is a published American playwright and the author of nearly twenty full-length stage plays. His work is frequently produced around the United States by professional and non-professional theatres and includes comedies, dramas, and thrillers. Notable works include *Men Are Dogs, Heaven Help Me*, and *Ladies in Lingeries*, which are published and licensed by Concord Theatricals. Additional popular plays include *Old Ringers, With This Ring* and *The Ghost in the Meadow*, which made its professional world premiere at the historic Barter Theatre in 2013. Mr. Simonelli resides in Florida. www.joesimonelli.net







## Director's Message

Thank you so much for your support of PM&L and I hope you enjoy our production of Joe Simonelli's Old Ringers.

When I was originally selected to direct this production, I was initially under the impression it was the typical sex farce comedy. However, once I immersed myself in it, I came to find it has a lot more to it than that. Old Ringers goes a lot deeper than your typical sex farce with messages of tolerance and love for those with different views.

Diane (played by a PM&L newcomer, Vivian Moller) and her daughter Amanda (played by Hilary Schneider in her first PM&L lead role) couldn't be more different from one another. Amanda is a born-again Christian and very focused on her faith, while Diane isn't afraid to color outside the lines and enjoy a cocktail well before noon. They're equally dismissive and judgmental of each other, and we get to see that play out.

Another message is one of change and redemption. Tony (played by a PM&L regular, Jim Stahl) has a history as a ladies' man, but he's tried to change his ways as he changed his career. He stumbles into a wholly innocent situation, but his past is there to greet him, and he gets unfairly blamed. When the truth comes out, everyone is forced to take a hard look at the dangers of assumptions around previous failings.

Finally, we have Verna (played by another PM&L newcomer, Maureen Lavin), who has this magnificent facade of the man-hungry cougar. Everyone judges her for it, and she isn't exactly ashamed of it. We get to see her drop that facade for a bit, and we are forced to look at the reasons why people sometimes adopt these facades.

I've been fortunate to get this wonderfully talented cast and creative team, and they've been extraordinarily hard-working right from the start. I've enjoyed directing it and hope you will enjoy the performance.

**Guy Finley** 

## A Message from the President

Hello and Welcome!

I am so excited to welcome you to the second half of PM&L's Season 591/2!

The pandemic has not been easy for anyone, and I hope that you and your families are all well. Your health and safety, and that of our volunteers and staff, is our top priority. While it may not feel entirely the same here, I hope that the measures we have put in place help you feel safe, comfortable, and excited to see tonight's performance. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation while we navigate through the continued uncertainties.

For me, it remains overwhelmingly wonderful to see audiences fill our theater! Seeing the faces of audiences excited to see a show, hearing the chatter of our Box Office and Concessions staff back at work, watching our volunteers create a beautiful onstage experience, and hearing music, laughter, awe, stunned gasps, and applause feels like a dream.

As the longest-running community theater in Lake County, PM&L could not continue to produce amazing productions without you - our patrons - buying tickets, returning to fill our seats, and offering donations. The compassion and dedication you have shown to PM&L has been extraordinary, and I thank you!

In the second half of our Season, PM&L is proud to present productions that offer a range of entertainment including a heart-warming musical, a breathtaking drama, and a laugh-out-loud comedy. We will also resume offering our Stage Struck junior production this summer, along with a few special event performances.

You can find information about our upcoming productions, tickets and season passes, our COVID-19 response updates, auditions, volunteering, and donatio I did give you what I had to print more than 24 hours ago. n opportunities on our website. Please visit www.pmltheatre.com, and do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

To our patrons, returning and new, thank you for your interest and continued support in PM&L Theatre ... Live! On Main Street! Now sit back and enjoy the show!

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