

2016-2017 Theatrical Season

Ballard High School

The Foreigner is a fun, two-act comedy by American playwright Larry Shue. The story takes place in a fishing lodge in rural Tilghman County, Georgia where two Englishmen, Froggy and Charlie, arrive as guests. The shy Charlie agreed to accompany Froggy on the trip after his sick wife begged him to go. When people at the lodge try to talk to Charlie, however, he remains silent: he is terribly shy, depressed about his wife's illness, and cannot find the words to reply. Froggy claims that Charlie cannot talk because he is a "foreigner" from an exotic country, and does not understand English. Taking the explanation that he's a non-English speaker as fact, the lodge's guests quickly begin revealing their secrets, and Charlie soon discovers scandals amongst some of the residents of the lodge.



Les Misérables based on the novel by French poet and novelist Victor Hugo. Premiering in Paris in 1980, The London production has run continuously since October 1985 - the longest-running musical in the West End and the second longest-running musical in the world. Set in early 19th-century France, it is the story of Jean Valjean, a French peasant, and his quest for redemption after serving nineteen years in jail for having stolen a loaf of bread for his sister's starving child. Valjean decides to break his parole and start his life anew after a kindly bishop inspires him by a tremendous act of mercy, but he is relentlessly tracked down by a police inspector named Javert. Along the way, Valjean and a slew of characters are swept into a revolutionary period in France, where a group of young idealists make their last stand at a street barricade.

TWO YOUNG GENTLEMEN LIVING IN 1890'S ENGLAND HAVE TAKEN TO BENDING THE TRUTH IN ORDER TO PUT SOME EXCITEMENT INTO THEIR LIVES. JACK WORTHING HAS INVENTED A BROTHER, EARNEST, WHO HE USES AS AN EXCUSE TO LEAVE HIS DULL COUNTRY LIFE BEHIND TO VISIT THE RAVISHING GWENDOLEN. ALGY MONTCRIEFF DECIDES TO TAKE THE NAME 'EARNEST' WHEN VISITING WORTHING'S YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL WARD, CECILY AT THE COUNTRY MANOR. THINGS START TO GO AWRY WHEN THEY END UP TOGETHER IN THE COUNTRY, AND THEIR DECEPTIONS ARE

