

The Dumb Waiter

a play by Harold Pinter

directed by Anna Hyllested

THE PLAY

Two nerve-wracked men without any tea lying on beds. They are trying to distract themselves from the sinister job which awaits them. They think they are alone but suddenly the dumb waiter comes down with impossible instructions. Who is upstairs ?

Written in 1957, yet still completely relevant to the world of today, The Dumb Waiter is a one-act play, at times hilarious, at others disquieting. Are these powerless characters reflections of ourselves?

THE AUTHOR

Nobel-prize winner Harold Pinter is one of the most influential playwrights of modern times. Actor, director and playwright, some of his plays include The Homecoming and The Birthday Party, with many being adapted for film. He died in 2008.

THIS PRODUCTION

Sporting a young international cast, this Line Theatre production will be touring small venues around Ireland in June 2018. The cast became acquainted with each other through an Irish theatre company, Crooked House Theatre based in Newbridge, County Kildare. The desire to create their own project during their Irish stay led them to rediscover this successful play.

THE LINE THEATRE

Based in Lyon, France, the Line Theatre is an English speaking theatre company formed as a non-profit organisation. Established in 2011 it regularly performs around Lyon and occasionally abroad.



The team



Director **ANNA HYLLESTED**

Anna is from Denmark and has been involved with theatre since she was a child. These last six years she has worked in professional theatre productions in Copenhagen. Her main job there has been assistant director, although she also worked as stage manager, light and sound technician or as prompter. In 2015 she wrote, co-directed and produced a youth theatre production in Copenhagen and learned a lot from taking part in every aspect of the production. Since September 2017 she has been living in Newbridge in Co. Kildare where she volunteers as facilitator at Crooked House Theatre.

Gus **ROBERT DORAN**

Robert Doran started acting in 2014 with the Kildare Youth Theatre based in Newbridge. Acting credits include leading parts in Othello and also in Hospital food by Eugene O'Hare which he performed in the National Theatre in London.

Ben **FELIX LAUBE**

New-Zealand born and raised in France, Felix started acting from a very young age and since then has acted or worked backstage in France, New-Zealand and Ireland with various companies. He is currently delivering drama workshops to youth with Crooked House Theatre in Newbridge, Co. Kildare.

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