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HE CRUCIBLE

By Arthur Miller | Directed by Jared Griffin

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SETTING

Salem, Massachusetts, Spring 1692

SCENE SYNOPSIS

Prologue: "Ecstasy and Agony"
The woods outside of Salem village

Act 1, scene 1: "Anxiety"

Upstairs bedroom in Rev. Parris' house

The next day

Act 1, scene 2: "Repute"

The Proctor house

One week later

Act 2, scene 1: "Delusion"
The woods outside of Salem village
One month since Elizabeth's arrest

Act 2, scene 2: "Pretense"

Vestry room of the Salem Meeting House

The next day

Act 2, scene 3: "Despair"

Salem jail

Three months later



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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

This play is dark. Literally and thematically.

The world of the devoutly religious Puritans was indeed dark. To them, the Devil was real. Very very real. And witchcraft was a real manifestation of the Devil's efforts to overthrow "God's Kingdom," as the Puritans believed they were building. The famous Puritan minister, Cotton Mather, called it the "disease of astonishment," our appetite for the miraculous, for wanting there to be something just beyond our understanding.

The Puritans' suffocating idea of moral goodness, coupled with the stress and trauma of King Philip's War, famine, unbearable winters, and unrelenting raids between Natives and whites created the conditions of the Salem witch crisis, where we find our play today. The witch trials revealed in the Puritan theocracy a great fear and distrust of women, a penchant for victim blaming, religious and moral hypocrisy, and what happens when due process is neglected. This remains a lesson for our times.

To help the audience think on those lessons, I've made some deliberate directorial choices that fall in the theatrical Brechtian tradition. Bertol Brecht was a 20th-century German director and playwright who believed that theatre should make audiences think, more than feel, and used unorthodox techniques to achieve that end. Some things you might notice in our production along those lines:

- The lighting is dark. Shadows fall on faces indicating they all have something to hide.
- Faces on stage are often pale and hard to distinguish because Puritans were more concerned with the "whiteness" of their names and souls than the health of their bodies.
- Bodies are turned away from you because betrayal was so common then.
- Music and some lights may suddenly become intense since you never know when your minister will come to your house and test your knowledge of the Bible or examine your goodness.
- The degradation of the cross.

Salem means "peace," from the Hebrew shalom. But there was little peaceful about Salem in 1692. When you leave the theatre, hopefully you will think on that: here is a world without peace; how is it possible to be good in such a world and live?

CAST

BETTY PARRIS	Scout De Vries
REVEREND SAMUEL PARRIS	Jeremy McBride
TITUBA	. Arianna Fangonilo
ABIGAIL WILLIAMS	Acacia Birbilas
SUSANNA WALCOTT Juliana Jones / Audrey Lonheim	
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MERCY LEWIS Maryssa Abston / Gracie Thomas	
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STAGE MANAGER: Elizabeth Bender

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR: Hilary Kjera

SCENIC LEAD: Tamie Fogle

DIRECTOR'S ASSISTANT: Felix Lewis

SET CONSTRUCTION & SCENIC PAINTING:

Eric Engvall, Pam Foreman, Hilary Kjera, Jessie Marlow, Lori Siebe, Torrie Stewart

PROPERTIES MANAGER: Mary Patterson

HEAD COSTUMER: Judy Carstens

COSTUMERS: Julianna Jones, Dana Myers, Melissa Schoenwether

LIGHT BOARD OPERATOR: Becca Walton

SOUND BOARD OPERATORS: Tayla Eaton & Felix Lewis

STAGE CREW: Bradly Cobban, Serabella Jones, Derek Rocheleau

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directed by Ivo Von Hove.



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