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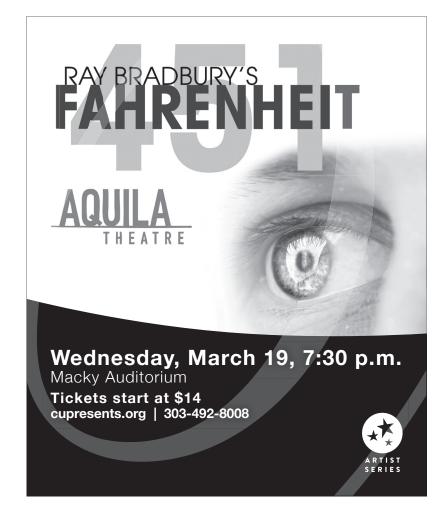
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Last year more than 1,300 productions were entered in the KCACTF involving more than 200,000 students nationwide. By entering this production, our theater department is sharing in the KCACTF goals to recognize, reward, and celebrate the exemplary work produced in college and university theaters across the nation.



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# The University of Colorado Boulder Department of Theatre & Dance presents

# **QUILTERS**

# by Molly Newman and Barbara Damashek

## Lynn Nichols

Director

Roxxy Duda Karter Deane
Assistant Director Scenery Designer

Bud Coleman Jason Banks
Choreographer Light Designer

Kristin Henry December Mathisen

Vocal Director Costume Designer

Bianca Gordon Elizabeth Jamison

Dramaturg Sound Designer

**Trent Hines** 

**Musical Director** 

There will be a 15-minute intermission.

University Theatre Building, University Theatre Feb. 14-15 and 21-22 at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 16, 22-23 at 2 p.m.

QUILTERS IS PRESENTED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH DRAMATISTS PLAY SERVICE, INC., NEW YORK,

#### Cast

Sarah	Tammy L. Meneghini*
Jenny	. Hana Christenson
Jody	. Rya Dyes
Jane	Brittany Handler
Margaret	Stephanie Spector
Dana	. Helen Slivinski
Lisa	Caroline Vickstrom
Understudy	Devon Johnson
Understudy	Rachel Kois

<sup>\*</sup>Appears courtesy of Actors' Equity Association

#### Band

Pianist	Trent Hines
Violin	Lannie Shelton
Guitar, Mandolin, Banjo	Jason Tyler Vaughn
Guitar, Dulcimer	S. Parker Goubert
Bass	Eli Acosta

#### **Production Team**

Stage Manager	Sarah Baughman
Assistant Stage Manager	Amy Richman
Prop Masters	Phoebe Mattoon
	Sarah Baughman
Master Electrician	Michael Bateman
Lead Electrician	James Averv

#### Run Crew

Lightboard Operator	Samantha Yoho
Sound Mix Engineer	Elizabeth Jamison
Wardrobe Head	. Katelyn Smolski
Sound Crew	Putri Martosudarmo
Deck/Sound Crew	Dillon Colagrosso
Deck Crew	. Ellen Thompson
Dresser	. Olivia Dwyer

#### • Life on the Prairie •



Quilters story is constructed of memories of life on the plains in the 19th century. Although the primary source material, *The Quilters: Women and Domestic Art*, contains a collection of photos and interviews of women from the 1970s, the majority of the women recall stories of their families settling on the plains during the late 1800s. This musical is a dramatic representation of these events and stories from a vital time in American history. The challenges of daily life that are presented in *Quilters* are truthful representations of life on the prairie. For example, families did often live in "dug-outs," which were homes dug in the ground and roofed over.

Another accurate portrayal of this time period is the way the elements such as wind, dust, fire and snow had an enormous impact on the lives of these characters. After Boulder's own experience with a 100-year flood in September, the feelings of devastation, loss and fortitude during extreme weather conditions are not so unfamiliar. These homesteader families lived with little security or protection from severe weather conditions that are especially prevalent on the American Great Plains.

In many ways the characters in *Quilters* wrestle with the harshness of life on the plains. Quilting is a task and craft that helps these families handle the stress and powerlessness created by hardship, motherhood, death and the severe environment. Quilts for these women are an artistic expression of the intertwined nature of family history, daily life and survival. These quilters are not merely enduring, but as artists and storytellers they celebrate what they can create with the bits and pieces they have.



## • Special Thanks •

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**Costume practicum** • Adam Alberti • Michael Bateman • Sarah Baughman • Casey Dean • Karter Deane • Hannah Georges • Rosie Glasscock • Matthew Malone • Phoebe Mattoon • Jesse Pacheco • Tina Taylor • Shannon Teppert • Alex Valles Medrano • Lauren Vickerman

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