

PROGRAMME

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THINGS MY *Mother Taught Me*

BY KATHERINE DISAVINO



A Dinner Theatre Production

November 17 + 18 + 19, 2022

SETTING

An open, two bedroom apartment in Chicago, in a neighbourhood in the beginning stage of gentrification.

ACT 1

A beautiful spring Saturday that is full of hope and possibilities.
Late morning.

ACT 2

An hour later.

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director: **Angel Mannisto**

Stage Manager + Props: **Tara Hawkes**

Audio Operation: **Sean Perras**

Costumes: **Our Wonderful Cast**

Set Design: **Angel Mannisto**

Set Construction: **Ekku Makitalo**

Set Painting: **Lindsay Dainton, Kristin Hall, Miss Sophie Hall**



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ANGEL MANNISTO - Director

Here's to kicking off the 2022/2023 theatrical season! It feels like forever ago since I last directed anything. But then again, anything that has been divided by Covid seems to be forever ago. The last production was *Sealed for Freshness*, which ran

December, 2019. And here we are, three years later.

I was originally not tasked with the role of director for this production, but I am very excited that I got to take it on, with such a great team! Thank you, Tara, for always being my right-hand gal, and thank you to Mark, for always believing in my talents, and offering your polishing expertise, as well. To the cast, rehearsals were never work, and always full of laughs; may you have as much fun performing, as we did rehearsing! Thank you, Sean, for bringing your sound talents, and saving both Tara and I from having to do any kind of sound work. To the audience, may you find *Things My Mother Taught Me* to be as heartwarming and comedic as we all have. Thank you all for your continued support—because without you, we would be performing for ourselves. And while that is great, it grows old fast. The cast feeds off your laughter. So, laugh loud! I also encourage everyone to get their tickets for the upcoming productions of *A Charlie Brown Christmas* in December, and *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, running in January. And if you enjoy the whole dinner-theatre experience, this April will find Sudbury Performance Group staging the production, *The Sweet Delilah Swim Club*. Stay tuned for auditions for our May production of *Cabaret*, as well as our first ever, one-act festival!

Theatrically Yours,

Angel :)

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TARA HAWKES – Stage Manager

Tara has been a part of SPG from day one. Her “hats” include board member, graphic designer, performer, and in the case of this show, stage manager.

Right before the theatre lights went dark around the world, Tara was in SPG’s 2020 production of *All Shook Up*, not knowing nearly two years would go by before they came up again. She

thanks each of you for joining us tonight and

supporting us once again since our return. From

the cast, to production, to volunteers, and every single one of you in the audience...you matter. You are appreciated. You each contribute to the art that is theatre. Tara would like Angel and the cast to know how proud she is of them. Thank you for this hilarious ride. Break legs, dear cast, and cheer loud, dear audience. Enjoy the show!



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CHEYANNE MONK – Olivia

Cheyanne comes from a long background of performing, starting in 1996, at the Cobalt Classic Theatre. She studied theatre at the University of Windsor, then moved to Sudbury in 2012, where she has been performing locally ever since. She is grateful for the opportunity to play Olivia in *Things My Mother Taught Me*. She hopes to bring the vision of the director, Angel Mannisto, to life on stage, and is thankful for such an amazing cast to work with.

STEVE MAGUIRE – Gabriel

This is Steve's second show with Sudbury Performance Group, but not his second in Sudbury. You may have seen him as Johnny, in *Frankie and Johnny in the Claire de Lune*, the Wizard of Oz, in *The Wizard of Oz*, or, most recently, as Clifton, in *Who's in Bed With the Butler*. Prior to moving to Sudbury, he performed in eight other shows, including *The Rocky Horror Show* as Dr. Scott, and *Inherit the Wind*, as Bert Cates. After a pandemic-enforced, two-year break from acting, getting back into it has been like falling off a bicycle, or something. Steve is also the host of the YouTube channel Science Isn't Scary, and the 2013 winner of the Flame Challenge (video category).



THOMAS STEWART - Wyatt

This is Tom's sixth performance, and 10th production, with the Sudbury Performance Group. This show is an extremely funny, and heartwarming tale, about love and overcoming the unexpected. The performers in this play bring passion and humour to their roles, and he feels blessed to be on stage with them. The production crew worked incredibly hard to bring this show to life and make it all that it could be. Lastly, again, Tom would like to thank his family for allowing him to continue to follow his passion. Be a part of the Art! Support local artists in all aspects of what they do!



RACHELLE ST-DENIS - Lydia

Rachelle is no stranger to the stage. In the past, she had been involved in many productions with Theatre Cambrian. This past summer, she came back to the stage after an eight-year hiatus, to join SPG and the cast of *RENT*. She's excited to do her first dinner theatre with SPG! She thanks you for your support, and hopes you enjoy the show!



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RAYMOND LANDRY – Carter

Ray is very happy to join this group of experienced actors in bringing you a night of laughter and enjoyment! Having been on stage with all of these marvelous thespians previously, he knows the audience is in for a fun night of dinner theater. You might have seen Ray in last November's SPG production of Norm Foster's *On a First Name Basis*, where he and his spouse played the primary roles. Here is wishing all a very FUN and enjoyable night at the theater!



TANYA SAARI – Karen

Tanya is happy to be back on the SPG stage once again, with one of the funniest bunches of human beings you will ever get to see! You may remember her from the previous SPG productions *Who's in Bed With the Butler?*, *All Together Now!*, and *Sealed for Freshness*, among others. She thanks the dynamic duo of a production team, her fellow cast mates for all of the good times, and lastly, her family, for putting up with Mom's hobby. Enjoy the show!



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