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DOUBT, A PARABLE

By John Patrick Shanley Directed by Steve Goldklang

Cast

Lynda McClary	Sister Aloysius
Stephen Deininger	
Alexandra Ade	Sister James
Kay-Megan Washington	Mrs. Muller

Setting

1964 St. Nicholas, a Catholic church and school in the Bronx, New York

Doubt is performed without an intermission.

"The Bad Sleep Well" — Title of Kurosawa film

"In much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow." — *Ecclesiastes*

"Everything that is hard to attain is easily assailed by the mob." — Ptolemy

Originally produced by the Manhattan Theatre Club on November 23, 2004.
Originally produced on Broadway by Carole Shorenstein Hays,
MTC Productions, Roger Berlind and Scott Rudin on March 31, 2005.

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Cast and Crew Biographies

Alexandra Ade (Sister James) is a Baltimore-based vagabond who is excited to be performing in her first show with Vagabond Players! Alex has been seen locally in Strand Theater's *Mary-Kate Olsen is in Love* (Grace) and *Frankenstein* (Agatha/Justine). She was most recently in Agatha Christie's *The Hollow* (Gerda) with Kentland Players. She is honored to be a part of this wonderful cast and crew. Thank you to family and friends for braving Fells Point parking to be here.

Stephen M. Deininger (Father Flynn) is a prolific director, actor, and pianist across the Baltimore area. A Vagabond Players' board member, his Vagabond credits include: actor and pianist in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged), The Fantasticks, The Pillowman, Little Shop of Horrors, Avenue Q, Cabaret, and Our Town*; and director for The Crucible, God of Carnage, and Chess. He is the music director of Channing Memorial Church and founder of the Pandemic Players, an online theatrical group that raised funds to support local theaters during the the COVID-19 pandemic which spurred many similar companies and was covered by local media around the world. During 2020, he and his wife started a home recording studio to record hymns for churches adapting to online worship, and they now record music under the group name Scotch and Lies.

Lynda McClary (Sister Aloysius Beauvier) is a writer, actor, and director involved in radio, television, film, and theatre for over sixty years as an artist, teacher, and advocate. Last at Vagabond Players, she appeared as Sonia in *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike*. Before that she relished the opportunity to portray Tennessee Williams' iconic character/mother, Amanda Wingfield in *The Glass Menagerie*. Other credits include: appearing at Fells Point Corner Theatre in dual roles of dowager/teenage boy in the comedy *The Divine Sister* and directing *Venus in Fur* and the award-winning production of *The Iceman Cometh*.

Kay-Megan Washington (Mrs. Muller) is excited to make her Vagabond Players debut in a role that has been on her bucket list. Recent roles include Vivian in *Wit* and Hermia in *Dead Man's Cell Phone* (FPCT), Beatrice in *The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds* (Spotlighters), and featured roles in Dan Rodricks's plays *Baltimore, You Have No Idea* and *Baltimore Docket*. Kay-Megan is also a film and television actress and an intimacy director, when not at her muggle job with Maryland Department of Agriculture.

April Forrer (Costume Design) is thrilled to be costuming for *Doubt* at Vagabond Players. April has been designing for over 16 years and some of her favorite shows she has costumed for are *Rocky Horror Show*, *The Merchant of Venice* and *Peter Pan*. She would like to thank her parents, and her three wonderful children, Ethan, Quintin and Lillian for their support.

Steve Goldklang (Director) has been directing theatrical productions in the Baltimore area for over 35 years. Recent Vagabond Players productions include: *Broadway Bound, Brighton Beach Memoirs, Blithe Spirit, Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike, The Odd Couple, The Lion in Winter*, and *Born Yesterday*. Other recent productions at Fells Point Corner Theater: *A Doll's House Part 2, The Divine Sister, Cock, Seminar*, and *The Little Dog Laughed*. Steve will be conducting a Directing Workshop at Vagabonds in mid-April. When he is not at the theater, you can find him on the pickleball court in Baltimore and Annapolis, both playing and coaching.

Roy Steinman (Set Design) is a Vagabond Players regular with recent set designs for productions including: *Broadway Bound, One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, Brighton Beach Memoirs, Blithe Spirit, The Odd Couple, Twelve Angry Jurors*, and *Vanya and Sonya and Masha and Spike*.

John Patrick Shanley (Playwright) is from the Bronx. His plays include Prodigal Son, Outside Mullingar (2014 Tony Award® nomination for Best Play), Danny and the Deep Blue Sea, Savage in Limbo, Italian-American Reconciliation, Welcome to the Moon, Four Dogs and a Bone, Dirty Story, Defiance, Beggars in the House of Plenty, and his newest play Brooklyn Laundry will premiere at Manhattan Theatre Club. His theatrical work is performed extensively across the United States and around the world. For his play, Doubt, he received both the 2005 Tony Award® for Best Play and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. In the arena of screenwriting, he has ten films to his credit, most recently Wild Mountain Thyme, with Emily Blunt, Jamie Dornan, and Christopher Walken. His film of Doubt, with Meryl Streep, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Amy Adams, and Viola Davis, which he also directed, was nominated for five Academy Awards, including Best Adapted Screenplay. Other films include Five Corners (Special Jury Prize, Barcelona Film Festival), Alive, Joe Versus the Volcano (which he also directed), and Live From Baghdad for HBO (Emmy nomination for Outstanding Writing for a Limited or Anthology Series or Movie). For his script of *Moonstruck* he received both the Writers Guild of America Award and an Academy Award for Best Original Screenplay. In 2009, the Writers Guild of America awarded Mr. Shanley the Lifetime Achievement In Writing.

Production Staff

Director	Steve Goldklang
Assistant Director	Chip Furstenau
Stage Manager	Jesse Stiteler
Assistant Stage Manager/Booth Technician	Apryl Bancroft
Set Design	Roy Steinman
Set Construction	Jay Demarco Bruce Kapplin
Lighting Design	Adrienne Cassara
Sound Design	Stephen Deininger
Costume Design	April Forrer
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