

## *Gaslight*

*A Victorian thriller in two Acts*

Time: 1800s London

Place: Manningham living room

Act 1 - 5 o'clock in the evening

Act 2

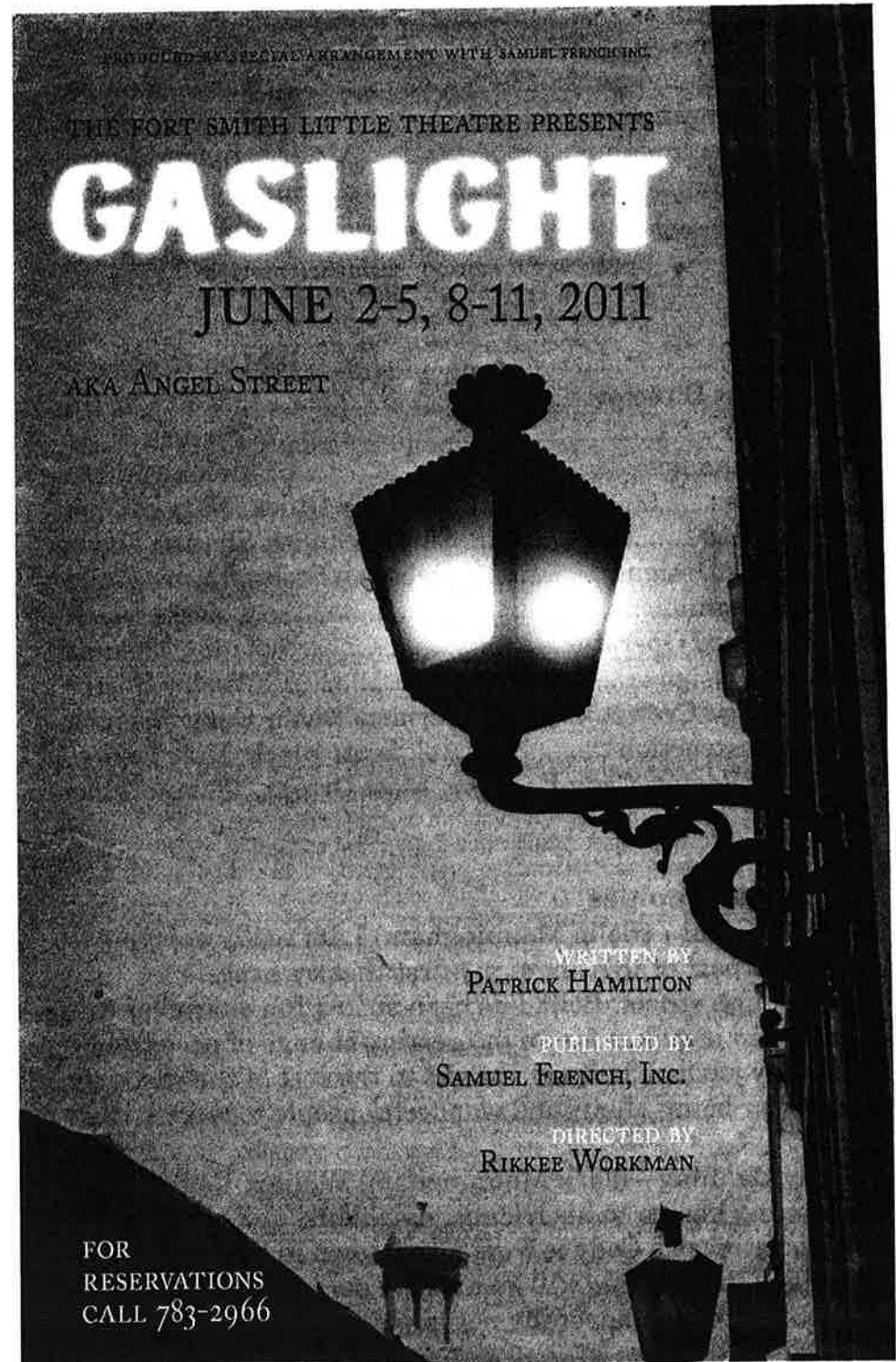
Scene 1 - Later the same day

Scene 2 - 11 o'clock that night

### Director's Notes

Since 2007, I have been involved in a variety of plays at the Fort Smith Little Theater. *Gaslight*, however, has been my first one to direct. Each time I see a show at FSLT, I'm blown away by talented people. But this one takes the cake. I'm so incredibly proud of the cast and crew of *Gaslight*. Their talent, hard work and dedication is amazing. Their creativity and imagination as they dig into their characters and back stage responsibilities, to this director, is an inspiration. I have been exceedingly blessed with three new comers to the FSLT stage, Jamie Giani, Summer Ferguson, and Cody Banning. These three, with FSLT veterans, Mary Beth Koprovic, Stephen Martin, and Scott Black, have made my job a true joy. So, to this amazing cast and incredible crew, I extend my most heartfelt gratitude for making this show a success! I also thank my family and friends for all of their support and encouragement as I embarked on this new adventure. I dedicate this show to the biggest supporter of my life, my late mother, Joyce Workman, whom I wish was here to see *Gaslight* come to life on stage. I hope you all enjoy the production as much as I appreciate the opportunity I have been given to be a director at the Fort Smith Little Theatre.

*Rikkee Workman*, Director



## Cast

Jack Manningham ..... Cody Banning  
Bella Manningham ..... Jamie Giani  
Detective Rough..... Stephen Martin  
Nancy ..... Summer Ferguson  
Elizabeth..... Mary Beth Koprovic  
Cop ..... Scott Black

## Crew

Director ..... Rikkee Workman  
Assistant Director ..... Matt Ortega  
Producer ..... Theresa Starr  
Stage Manager ..... Melissa Vitale  
Costumes ..... Wendy Quick, Nancy Moon  
Properties ..... Carol Schmitt, Shanna Davis  
Lighting Design..... Rebekah Stoltz, Lucas Stoltz  
Set Design..... Scott Black  
Lightboard Operator ..... Suzanne Thomas  
Sound Design ..... Wesley Rester  
Backstage Crew..... Carmen Taylor, Carol Schmitt  
Set Construction ..... Scott Black, Duff Taylor,  
Wesley Rester, Cody Banning, Matt Ortega, Vivian Colfax

## Cast Biographies

Jamie Giani—(Bella Manningham) I am really enjoying being a part of this show, my first theatre experience since high school. Bella has been such a fun character to play and it makes for an interesting change of pace from my day job as a lawyer. Thanks to the rest of the cast and crew for being all-around wonderful people to work with!

Cody Banning—(Jack Manningham) William Cody Banning known to his friends, neighbors, and close associations as Cody is from a tiny town in Oklahoma called Liberty. This will be his first performance in theatre, though hopefully not his last. He wrote this

himself in the third person not knowing if that is the format needed. He is twenty eight years old and currently resides in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Stephen Martin—(Detective Rough) Stephen Martin is a 20-year-old up-and-coming actor. This is his second role at the Fort Smith Little Theatre. “I’m just happy to be part of such a wonderful production and such an amazing, talented cast”

Mary Beth Koprovic—(Elizabeth) loves the theatre and hot single men. Not necessarily in that order. She spends more time at the theatre than at home much to the dismay of her puppies and the other members of this production. Playing Elizabeth has been a stretch as she is not an “Old Maid” nor does she enjoy cleaning.

Summer Ferguson—(Nancy) has just graduated from the University of Arkansas Fort Smith with her Bachelors Degree in Theatre-Acting, Directing. Among her many performances at the University, her most proclaimed including playing Felicia in “I Hate Hamlet”, Julie in “Jake’s Women”, and Juliet in “Romeo and Juliet” where she was awarded an Irene Ryan for her acting performance from the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF). She would like to thank her family and friends for all their support.

J. Scott Black—(cop) is a graduate of the University of the Ozarks where he received a BA in theatre. This is Mr. Black’s second production at the Fort Smith Little Theatre in which he has performed and designed the set.

## Special Thanks

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