

He is currently home-schooled and enjoys video games, piano, acting, singing, dancing, Star Wars, basketball, baseball, watching NFL football and using his imagination.

MATT OVERTURF (Christopher Riley) is a newcomer to Little Theatre but an experienced performer. His favorite roles include Matthew Harrison Brady in *Inherit the Wind*, the voice of Audrey II in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Sir Toby Belch in *Twelfth Night*, and Frank Sweeney in *Molly Sweeney*. In real life he is a recent college graduate in transition. He enjoys reading Christian theology and books by foreign authors. He also loves film and is active in his church.

IAN ANDERSON (Reverend Harry Harrington) is new to FSLT. His favorite past stage roles include the Modern Major General and Turkey Lurkey. In real life he is a radio broadcaster, producer and media consultant. His interests include mathematics, astronomy and parapsychology.

DUSTY WESTFALL (Allen Gregg) is a veteran FSLT member as active backstage as is he is onstage. His favorite roles include Rick Steadman in *The Nerd*, Jonathan Brewster in *Arsenic and Old Lace*, Dr. Morrissey in *Three Murders and it's Only Monday*, and Sud in *The Potboiler*. In real life Dusty is a graphic design major at the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith. He is interested in art, film, theatre and photography. He also designed the beautiful set for this production as well as serving as assistant director.

RON STICE (Dr. Maurice Oakley) is an experienced FSLT cast member. His favorite roles are Ito in *Mame* and King Arthur in *Camelot*. In real life he is a gemologist by profession and an artist by nature. He loves archeology and the unknown. He also enjoys magic and illusions.

DEBBIE CARNEY (Registrar's Clerk/Nurse) is a returning FSLT performer. Her favorite roles are dancing roles-most recently Morgan LeFey in *Camelot* because she was "half crazy and danced a little in the Enchanted Forest." In real life Debbie owns *Get Serious Dancewear* and teaches dance including ballet, tap and jazz. She has dogs... LOTS of dogs!

COLEEN MONTGOMERY (Registrar/Doctor) is a vet of several FSLT performances. Her favorite roles include her first lead role Josephine in *Close Ties* where she played an 80 year old woman going senile. She also enjoyed the role of Lotty in FSLT's recent production of *Enchanted April*. In real life she is an administrative assistant for *Bost Children's Services*. Her interests include dancing, the outdoors, and the Dallas Cowboys. She is also happily expecting her first child.

## Fort Smith Little Theatre

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# Shadowlands

By William Nicholson

Directed by Micki Voelkel

September 13-22, 2007

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

## Cast

C.S. LEWIS .....	Duff Taylor
JOY GRESHAM .....	LARAE Seay
"WARNIE" LEWIS.....	Jim Moody
DOUGLAS.....	Drew Smith
CHRISTOPHER RILEY .....	Matt Overturf
REV. HARRY HARRINGTON.....	Ian Anderson
ALLEN GREGG.....	Dusty Westfall
DR. MAURICE OAKLEY/PRIEST.....	Ron Stice
CLERK/NURSE .....	Debbie Carney
REGISTRAR/DOCTOR.....	Coleen Montgomery

SCENE: Oxford

TIME: 1950s

There will be one 15-minute intermission.

## Production Crew:

DIRECTOR.....	Micki Voelkel
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.....	Dusty Westfall
PRODUCERS .....	Wendy Quick & Rosemary Johnson
STAGE MANAGER.....	Scott Bly
ASST. STAGE MANAGER..	Katy Featherston
SET DESIGN.....	Dusty Westfall
SET CREW.....	Dusty Westfall, Duff Taylor, Jim Moody, Micki Voelkel, Katy Featherston, Matt Overturf, Glenda Stockton, LARAE Seay, Drew Smith, Ron Stice, Carol Smith
PROPERTIES.....	Theresa Starr, Rickree Workman, Melinda Wells
COSTUMES .....	Cara Cunningham & Kaye Birkehead
LIGHT DESIGN.....	Rebekah Stoltz
LIGHT CREW.....	Lucas Stoltz
LIGHT & SOUND BOARD.....	Dusty Westfall and Micki Voelkel
PROMPTER.....	Martha Gooden

## Special Thanks:

Ernest Cialone and the Fort Smith Chess Club

Andrew Austin

Young Actors Guild

UA Fort Smith Drama Department

Bob Voelkel

Fort Smith Art Center

## Director's Letter

Shadowlands is a play about ideas and emotions. Some of the questions it asks are profound. If God loves us why does He allow suffering in the world? Is personal experience necessary to understand the human condition?

Some questions are more personal. How does a middle-aged bachelor behave when he falls in love for the first time? How does a defender of the faith reconcile his principles when he wants to marry a divorcee? Who is the truer friend—the "heartless" academic or the man of God?

This is a play with something for everyone. It's sad, funny, romantic, and smart. My best thanks to my cast and crew for all the hard work.

—Micki Voelkel

## Notes about the Cast

DUFF TAYLOR (C.S. "Jack" Lewis) is a veteran of several FSLT productions. Favorite roles include Paul Verall in *Born Yesterday* where he got the girl, Reverend David in *The Foreigner* where he lost the girl, Bert Jefferson in *The Man Who Came to Dinner* where he got the girl, and Gooper in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* where he lost the farm. In real life he teaches English and journalism at Northside High School. He enjoys traveling and plans a trip to Greece and Italy this coming July.

LARAE SEAY (Joy Gresham) is familiar to FSLT patrons from the chorus of several of our musical productions. Her favorite past role is Shelby in *Steel Magnolias*. In real life she is mom to two little boys, Justin and Austin, and she teaches aerobics at Mercy Fitness Center. She is interested in photography and scrapbooking. She also co-leads a drama ministry with her husband at Cavanaugh Freewill Baptist Church.

JIM MOODY (Warnie Lewis) is a veteran Little Theatre director and actor. His favorite roles include Prince Charming in his second grade production of *Sleeping Beauty*, the Stage Manager in *Our Town*, Clive in *Five Finger Exercise*, Rick Steadman in *The Nerd*, George in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe*, and Sheridan Whiteside in *The Man Who Came to Dinner*. In real life Jim is the GED instructor at Belle Point Center, the Fort Smith alternate school. This is his last year of teaching before he retires. He collects flamingoes, stuffed animals, and various toys and is the proud papa to four dogs and two cats.

DREW SMITH (Douglas) is a newcomer to FSLT. His favorite stage roles are Edmund in *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, Charlie in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and "Jock" in *High School Musical*. In real life he is a 10 year old boy with one brother, two sisters and a great mom and dad.