Leeds Arts Centre presents

TERRY PRATCHETT's SUYRD SISTERS



THE PLAY adapted for the stage by

STEPHEN BRIGGS

'Alle Thec Dysk's a Stage'

Leeds Civic Theatre - 22nd to 26th April 1997

TERRY PRATCHETT's SISTERS

Terry Pratchett was born in 1948 and is still not dead. He started work as a journalist one day in 1965 and saw his first corpse three hours later, work experience *meaning* something in those days. After doing just about every job it's possible to do in provincial journalism, except of course covering Saturday afternoon football, he joined the Central Electricity Generating Board and became press officer for four nuclear power stations. He'd write a book about his experiences if he thought anyone would believe it.

All this came to an end in 1987 when it became obvious that the Discworld series was much more enjoyable than real work. Since then his books have reached double figures and have a regular place in the best-seller lists. He also writes books for younger readers. Occasionally he gets accused of literature.

Terry Pratchett lives in Wiltshire with his wife Lyn and daughter Rhianna. He says writing is the most fun anyone can have by themselves.

Stephen Briggs was born in Oxford in 1951 and he still lives there, with his wife Ginny and their sons, Philip and Christopher.

In what would generally pass for real life he works for a small government department dealing with the food industry. However as an escape to a greater reality, he has been involved for many years in the Machiavellian world of amateur dramatics, which is how he came to discover the Discworld.

Stephen is, by nature, a Luddite, but the Discworld has drawn him into the world of PCs, word-processing and electronic mail; he has even been known to paddle on the Internet. His other interests include sketching, back-garden ornithology and Christmas. He has never read *Lord of the Rings* all the way through.

We hope that our production of Wyrd Sisters is enjoyed by all the Terry Pratchett fans (new and old) who come to see it. If you would like advance notice of our next Discworld or other productions please leave your name and address with the Front of House staff this evening.

Cast

Judith Unwin Granny Weatherwax a witch Pam Wilson Nanny Ogg a witch Magrat Garlick Shirley Broadbent a witch George Barker late King of Lancre Verence Duke of Lancre Eddie Butler Leonel Felmet Audrey Barker Lady Felmet his wife Paul Banks Vitoller an actor manager Sasha Bennett Mrs Vitoller his wife Mark Coward a fool Fool Tomjon Anthony Hutchinson son of Verence a playwright Chris Waites Hwel Gino Feliciello Sergeant a sergeant Annalie Wilson Demon a demon First Robber Marie Lindley Sasha Bennett Second Robber Annalie Wilson Third Robber Mark Wood First Guard Philip Bruce Second Guard Edwin Barraclough Third Guard Len Lumb Fourth Guard Chris Waites Chamberlain Annalie Wilson A Peasant Philip Bruce A Bowman Len Lumb Wilmsloe a performer Edwin Barraclough Bedlin a performer Gino Feliciello a performer Gumridge Joyce King Acting First Witch Chris Wilson Acting Second Witch Acting Third Witch Annalie Wilson Paul Banks Acting Guard First Soldier Mark Coward Philip Bruce Second Soldier Jane Galloway and members Rent-a-crowd of the company

Production Team

Sue Elliott Stage Manager I C Scene Changes Alison Spankie Peter Waddicor Lighting Scenery Chaz Elliott, Sandy Clark Set Painting LAC Fine Arts Group Props Jackie Ball, Marie Lindley and Sasha Bennett Sound Darren Wood, Jim Marshall Wardrobe George Judd, Mary Nelson and Pat Townsley

Director Laurie Ball

Prompt

Pam Jones

List of Scenes

one The Blasted Heath

two Lancre Castle

three The Theatre

four The Castle

five Witch's Cottage

six The Castle

seven Witch's House

eight The Castle Dungeon

nine The Castle Gatehouse

ten Outside the Dungeon

eleven The Castle Dungeon

twelve The Castle

thirteen The Blasted Heath

fourteen The Wood

Interval of 15 Minutes

fourteen (cont'd) The Wood

fifteen A Street in Ankh-Morpork

sixteen The Theatre

seventeen The Theatre (the following day)

eighteen Witch's House

nineteen On the Road

twenty The Woods

twenty-one The Main Hall of the Castle

twenty-two The Blasted Heath Again

Civic Theatre

Theatre Manager - Steven Cartwright
Assistant Manager - Vivien Simpson
Chief Technician and Lighting - Peter Waddicor
Technicians - Sandy Clark, Chas Elliott
Catering for Crown Point Foods - Shirley Tarran
Box Office -Helen Richmond, Shirley Shortall, Sylvia Gooding

In accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Sub-Committee of Leeds City Council:

a. The public may leave at the end of the performance by all exits and entrance doors and such doors must at that time be open.

b. All gangways, passages and staircases must be kept entirely free from chairs or any other obstructions.

c. Persons shall not be permitted to stand in any of the intersecting gangways, or stand in any other unseated space in the auditorium, unless standing in such a space has been specially allowed by the Licensing Committee. A notice is exhibited in that part of the auditorium in which standing has been sanctioned.

d. The safety curtain must be lowered and raised once immediately before the commencement of each performance to show that it is in proper working order.

Leeds Arts Centre

Leeds Arts Centre was formed in 1945 as an amateur society. Our members come from all walks of life and include some who have worked in the theatre and others who hope to make a career on the stage. We are a friendly company who work together to maintain the high standards for which our productions are well known and enjoy ourselves very much in the process.

Each year we produce four plays here at the Civic Theatre and for the past two years have entered the 'Walk the Plank' play festival in Wakefield where we have won at least one prize each year.

Our Green Room Group is very active with plays, readings and other forms of entertainment in the rehearsal rooms, giving members who are not in the current theatre production the opportunity to develop their acting or directing abilities and entertain the rest of us.

Our Fine Arts Group meets regularly throughout the year for life drawing, sketching and painting.

Last, but not least, we enjoy a variety of social activities including theatre visits, outings, parties etc.

We are looking for new members...

...so if you are interested in any of the following:

acting, directing, producing, set building painting (scenery or pictures) making and repairing costumes helping back stage or front of house or even with publicity

...why not have a chat with one of our members front of house this evening or in the bar after the show. Or write with contact telephone number for further information to:

The Secretary, Leeds Arts Centre c/o Civic Theatre, Cookridge Street, Leeds LS2 8BH

Costume Hire

Costumes of various types and period can be hired at reasonable rates from the Leeds Arts Centre costume collection by drama societies or by individuals for fancy dress occasions. Please telephone Mrs Margaret Rhodes, our wardrobe mistress, to discuss your requirements Leeds (0113) 275 6796

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adapted for the stage by David Campton Directed by Malcolm Brown

October 1997

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Directed by Susan Gibson

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