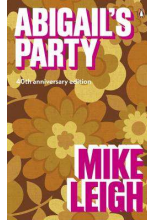


Abigail's Party

By Mike Leigh



Abigail's Party takes place over one evening at Beverly and Laurence's house. They've invited a neighbouring couple, Angela and Tony who are new arrivals in the street along with Sue who is taking refuge from her teenage daughter's party. As Beverly plies her guests with drinks and nibbles tensions emerge and the evening begins to break up in disarray as they clash over politics, music, and personal aspirations until...there is a very unexpected ending.

The play is a suburban situation comedy of manners and a satire on the aspirations and tastes of the 1970s middle class. It was developed through lengthy improvisations during which time the characters were explored in depth. It was first performed in April 1977 at the Hampstead Theatre, and it has been a popular play on screen and stage ever since.

Characters

Beverly Moss
Laurence Moss
Tony
Angela
Sue

Key Dates

Read through: Monday 17th June

Auditions: Monday 24th June & Wednesday 26th June

Performance Dates: 9th – 12th October 2024

I am so excited to have the opportunity to direct this modern classic and I can't wait to plunge the Warehouse Theatre into the 1970s with the lighting, costume, set and most definitely the music! All the characters are incredibly well defined, meaty and great for actors to get stuck into. So, if you would like to come along and be a part of this fantastic play, eat the odd pineapple and cheese on a cocktail stick and have a good old barney, please come to the read through and audition! I would love to see you there!

Best wishes,

Irene Glynn