

GROUND FLOOR THEATRE COMPANY IN ASSOCIATION WITH

CENTRARIS

PRESENTS

THE COLLECTOR

BY MARK HEALY, FROM THE NOVEL BY JOHN FOWLES



NATIONAL TOUR 2017

DIRECTED BY KILLIAN COLLINS

STARRING:

ANDREW HOLDEN as FREDERICK

PAULA WELDON as MIRANDA

Killian Collins

Killian has worked as a director, assistant director and actor on over 60 productions of plays, musicals, pantomimes and concerts in venues including Cork Opera House, Olympia Theatre, Dublin, Theatre Royal, Waterford, Everyman, Cork, Esplanade, Singapore, INEC, Killarney and in community theatres nationwide. He is Artistic Director of Colton Theatre Company and he holds an honours degree in Government from UCC.

Recently, Killian has worked as production Manager for Dublin's Olympia Theatre pantomime *The Ugly Sisters and Yer Wan!* starring Al Porter and Dustin the Turkey.

Some favourite directing credits include *This Lime Tree Bower* (Cork Arts Theatre), *The Outgoing Tide* (Everyman, Cork), *The Turn of the Screw* (Everyman, Cork, Smock Alley, Dublin), *Orion's Hat* (Old Red Lion, London), *The Music Man* (Fermoy Musical Society) and *Jesus Hopped the 'A' Train* (Granary).

Work as assistant includes *Freezin'* (Olympia, Dublin) and several productions at Cork Opera House including *ProdiJIG: The Revolution*, *Grease* and four seasons of pantomime.

Killian trained with the Montfort College in Cork and is also an accomplished actor. Some performance highlights include the Irish tours of *The 'ALL STAR' Wars* and *Michael Collins* as well as several award-winning roles at drama festivals throughout the country.

Andrew Holden

Andrew trained as a performer with the London School of Musical Theatre and the Gaiety School of Acting.

Previous credits include *Jonah* (Waterford Spraoi), *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Red Kettle), *How Do You See Us* (Waterford Youth Arts) and *The Gods Are Angry Miss Kerr* (Jim Nolan/Liam Rellis).

Other theatre appearances include *Sweeney Todd* (The Gate Theatre), *Macbecks* (The Olympia/Cork Opera House), *Seagull's Dance* (An Draiocht), *Assassins*, *The Threepenny Opera* (Garter Lane), *Into The Woods*, *Some Like It Hot*, *Whistle Down The Wind* (Theatre Royal Waterford) and *Fluffy's X-Mas Factor* (The Mill, Dundrum).

His Cork Opera House appearances include *Sleeping Beauty*, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Cinderella*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Sweeney Todd* and *Grease*.

Andrew has also toured nationally as an original cast member of Bryan Flynn's *Michael Collins - A Musical Drama* and *The All-Star Wars*.

More recently Andrew has appeared in Pat Daly's *Dissident* (Garter Lane Arts Centre) directed by Jim Nolan, Arthur Riordan's *This Is Waterford* (Waterford Treasures Museum) directed by Myles Breen and in *West Side Story* for Theatrebox.

For Bowler Hat theatre company he has directed *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change!* (Garter Lane Arts Centre), for Waterford Musical Society he has directed *Oklahoma!* (Theatre Royal Waterford) and most recently he directed Stephen Sondheim's *Assassins* at Garter Lane Arts Centre - in which he also appeared as Charles Guiteau. Andrew was recipient of 'Best Actor' in this year's News and Star Theatre Awards for his performance in *The Collector*.

Paula Weldon

Paula has been performing since a young age when she used to appear with her father on the country and Irish music circuit. She previously attended the Richie Hayes stage school and studied drama and theatre in UCC.

Previous credits include: *The Hamlet Machine* at The Granary theatre, Cork, *The Dark of The Moon* with Waterford Youth Arts, *Glee - Live & Loud* with Ignite Productions, *West Side Story* with TheatreBox Productions, *Rooftops of Paris* with Strive Theatre, Waterford. Paula won the 'Best Actress' Award in the 2016 News & Star Theatre Awards for her performance in this production.

Paula is currently a tutor at TheatreBox Studios.

Heather Troy Whelan

Heather moved to Waterford in 2014. Since then she has involved herself in theatre and local punk DIY.

Since joining the Central Arts team in 2015, she has designed lighting for *Disco Pigs* and *Storybooks and Stockings Burlesque* and *Pulled* by Niamh Moroney.

Heather has also Assisted in *Boundary* by Rigout Productions, and *A Life* by WDS and designed for *Assassins* by Dats De Y Productions and Stagemad's production of *The Januaury Show* by Anna Jordan.

She is pleased to back for *The Collector* and excited to be working with old and new heads.

Yvonne Cronin

Yvonne is a Cork artist based in Ballineen. Design credits include Set and Costumes for *Damages* by Colton Theatre Co, Set for *Alice in Wonderland* Cork Opera House, Costumes for *Lost in Yonkers* - Cork Arts Theatre, *Men without Souls*- Callback Theatre Co and *The Hole* - Callback Theatre Co.

Music videos include *Our Love*, performed by Caribou and filmed by Riff Raff Productions London and *Trip the Light* performed by Jeriocho and filmed by Epic Productions.

Yvonne has also worked as a stylist for TV3 and RTE on *The Today Show*.

Brian Tuohy

Brian is from Dublin but has spent a lot of his life living in Waterford. Brian's previous theatre work has generally been on stage performing. He started his acting career at the age of three months, when he played baby Anthony in *Fair City*, resulting in his being baptised three times. There must have been something in that water, because he hasn't stopped performing since. Some of his theatre credits include: A-Rab in *West Side Story*, Jean Valjean in *Les Miserables*, Rum Tum Tugger in *Cats*, Zach in *A Chorus Line*, Will Parker in *Oklahoma*, and most recently he produced and played the part of The Balladeer in Dats De Y Production's *Assassins* which ran in Garter Lane at the end of March.

The Team:

KILLIAN COLLINS - DIRECTOR
HEATHER TROY WHELAN - LIGHTING DESIGN
MATTHEW REILLY - FILM, PHOTOGRAPHY & VISUALS
YVONNE CRONIN - COSTUME DESIGN
BRIAN TUOHY - STAGE MANAGER
DAN MCMAHON - ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY

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TOUR DATES 2017

APRIL 11 - 12	CENTRAL ARTS	WATERFORD
APRIL 21 - 22	NATIONAL OPERA HOUSE JEROME HYNES THEATRE	WEXFORD
APRIL 29	ST. MICHAEL'S HALL	BALLYDUFF
MAY 19	ST. JOHN'S THEATRE	LISTOWEL
MAY 26	SOURCE ARTS CENTRE	THURLES
AUG 10 -12	AKA FRINGE @ CLEERE'S	KILKENNY

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