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MAD's 2022 Fall Show "Around the World in 80 Days" Will Be Online

MAD's Fall 2022 production of "Around the World in 80 Days" will move online and become a MAD Play-Reading Group production. The turnout at the auditions was not sufficient to cast this large-cast, diverse show as it was originally envisioned. The MAD Board, working with the Production team, has decided to move it online. With a shortened schedule, rehearsals will start in late September for an online performance in late October or early November.

Around the World in 80 Days

Written by Jules Verne and Adolphe d'Ennery

As translated into English for production in 1874 under the direction of Bolossy and Imre Kiralfy

Directed by Jon Gardner (jongreenbelt@yahoo.com)

Produced by Eliot Malumuth (eliotmal2@gmail.com)

For more information: <https://sites.google.com/view/mad80days>

The online play-reading will have room for additional cast members in Ensemble parts. If you are interested in joining the cast, please fill in the Audition form and contact the Director, Jon Gardner (jongreenbelt@yahoo.com), for instructions on how to submit a video audition. People who auditioned in person will not need to audition again.

Audition form: <https://forms.gle/bBvyGDo7dCiTC4cC9>

Conflict form: <https://forms.gle/7Hejz5AtrEVep6Vn9>

The audition sides are posted here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V8Neo8LxJ31dDJJaGDHZVxohBjFx00SLz/view?usp=sharing>

Description of the play:

Around the World in 80 Days is Jules Verne's classic tale of action, adventure, comedy, and drama. Phileas Fogg bets that he can travel around the world in 80 days and sets off that very night accompanied by his French servant Passepartout. As they travel, they interact with the people they meet along the way, accumulate additional traveling companions, and have dramatic adventures. The story includes ships and trains, snakes and an elephant, disguises, duels, and deceptions!

MAD Board Meeting

The next MAD Board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8th, at 5:30 PM via Zoom. All club members are welcome to attend. We plan to hold our board meetings in 2022 regularly on the second Thursday of the month. Please email madboard@googlegroups.com if you would like the Zoom link to attend.

MAD About Town

Sherry and Don Mitchell will be appearing in *The Brigands* on September 2, 3, and 4, at the Rockville Civic Center. More information can be found at www.vloc.org. It's about a bumbling band of brigands (bandits) hiding out in the Italian Alps. Don is playing the Captain of the Carbineers. He will be seen in full armor! The composer of this lively show is Offenbach, who also composed the can-can music, among other things. Hope to see you there!

Jill Goodrich will be appearing as Deputy Guthrie in the world premiere of "After the Storm" with NOVA Nightsky Theater on September 29 and 30 as well as October 6-8. She will not be performing the night of October 1st as she will be attending her high school reunion and an understudy will be on instead. Performance location and tickets are not yet available, but it will be in Vienna, VA. Check their website next month for information: novanightskytheater.com.

David Solomon continued his efforts to create new episodes of the "Where's Dave" game, by spending Monday, August 8, at the Lincoln Memorial and Thursday, August 11, at the Washington Monument, with hundreds of other background artists filming the upcoming Netflix movie "Rustin," due out in 2023. He was type-cast as a "DC Pedestrian," in scenes re-enacting Bayard Rustin's organizing of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s jobs and freedom rally at the Lincoln Memorial, almost exactly 59 years ago: August 28, 1963.

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