

**January 13-15, 2018**

January 13 & 14 at 2 PM | January 15 at 10 AM & 1 PM

# *the velveteen Rabbit*

*by todd hattem*

In the world of real and unreal, things are not always what they seem. With a dash of nursery magic, ordinary toys come to life and mute the boundaries between real and imaginary. This heartwarming adaptation of Margery Williams' classic children's story shows how the power of love brings about a remarkable transformation for an ordinary toy bunny.

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# THE GOD COMMITTEE

BY MARK  
ST. GERMAIN

**November 2-5, 2017**

## *The God Committee Cast*

Dr. Kiera Banks	Stacie Bendixen
Nella Larkin, RN	Judy Lisk
Dr. Alex Gorman	Troy Gould
Dr. Jack Klee	Ken Reams
Dr. Ann Ross	Tammy Sposeto
Father Charles Dunbar	James Clack
Dominick Piero	Jim Leeper
Dr. Peter Felker	Voice of James Machamer

Setting: St. Patrick's Hospital Board Room  
Time: St. Patrick's Day; present day

This is a one-act play. There will not be an intermission.

The God Committee is produced with  
special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.  
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production is strictly prohibited.

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**December 8-17, 2017**



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to perform their stirring rendition of "A Christmas Carol."  
An intrepid band of hapless actors and technicians must put  
together their own production in only seven hours! The play  
is a hilarious backstage comedy that pokes fun at the classic  
novel and everything that can go wrong with a theatrical  
production.

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**Date: November 13, 2017**

**Time: 5:00 - 8:00 PM**

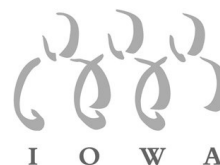
**Address: HuHot Mongolian Grill  
2310 SE Delaware Ave.  
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*Contact:*



## Production Team

Director	Michael Porche
Assistant Director	Joe Kirwen
Lights & Sound	Doug Moon
Set Construction & Painting	Michael Porche, Joe Kirwen
Program	Lynn Arterburn
Marketing	Doug Arterburn, Lynn Arterburn, Stacie Bendixen, Susan Casber, Adam Haselhuhn, Tammy Sposeto, Nicole Titus, Barb Wagner



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## Cast Biographies



**Stacie Bendixen** (Dr. Kiera Banks) has appeared in ACT's productions of *A Delightful Quarantine* (Kitty), *110 Stories*, *Francine's Will* (Brenda), and *Adam's Eve* (Marla). She has also graced the Urbandale Community Theatre's stage in *Guys and Dolls*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *State Fair*, and *The Music Man*. Stacie is the current ACT president. She enjoys expressing her opinions about grammar. Stacie is in public relations at Wells Fargo.



**James Clack** (Father Charles Dunbar) is in the second play that he has ever been involved in as an actor. He had a very small role in *The Trouble With Cats*. Jame's interests include flying (he's a pilot), antique tractors, genealogy, and preaching at church. He and his wife, Rose, have two daughters, one son who is in the Air Force, and one grandson. James is Ankeny's fire chief.



**Troy Gould** (Alex Gorman) was last seen on ACT's stage in August when he portrayed Agent Frank in *Unnecessary Farce*. He has also appeared at Newton Community Theatre as George Bailey in *It's A Wonderful Life* as well at ACTORS in *Wait Until Dark* and *Other Desert Cities*. Troy enjoys playing disc golf, drumming, and watching movies. He is CFO at Serve Credit Union.



**Jim Leeper** (Dominick Piero) has played numerous roles at several local theatres. His favorites include Nick (*Uh-Oh, Here Comes Christmas*, ACT), Leslie Tate (*It Runs in the Family*, Maury County Arts Guild, Columbia, TN), and Harry McMichael (*Not Now Darling*, ACTORS). He has also appeared at the Des Moines Playhouse, Urbandale Community Theatre, and Central College. In addition to acting, Jim's interests include traveling, nature photography, and sports.



**Judy Lisk** (Nurse Nella Larkin) last appeared on stage many, many moons ago in her high school play, *Fiddler on the Roof*. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, quilting, and crocheting. She has two daughters and one granddaughter. Judy is a Donation Specialist for the Iowa Donor Network.



**Ken Reams** (Jack Klee) is happy to be back on the ACT stage once again. ACT shows include *I Remember Mama*, *A Christmas Carol*, *And Then There Were None*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *A Bad Year for Tomatoes*, and *Twelve Angry Jurors*. He has also performed for the Des Moines Women's Club, Urbandale Community Theatre, Class Act Productions, Des Moines Playhouse, Ingersoll Dinner Theater, and Drama Workshop. Ken is married to his lovely wife, Donna, and has two daughters, four grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.



**Tammy Sposeto** (Anne Ross) was last seen on the ACT stage in *The Trouble With Cats*. She has also acted with the Newton Community Theatre (NTC) and Pella's Union Street Players (*Steel Magnolias* and *Proof*). Tammy currently serves on the ACT board and previously served on the NTC board. She loves theater with all her heart and is so grateful to be playing with and for her Ankeny friends again. Tammy's interests, besides theater, include spending time with her grandkids, visiting local breweries, and participating in a writer's group. She is an Administrative Assistant at Burke Marketing.



**Michael Porche** (Director) directed *The Regifters* in December 2015 and last appeared in *Some Sweet Day* (Ken) in February 2016. He has appeared in numerous ACT shows with his favorites being *Lend Me A Tenor* (Max), and *Come Blow Your Horn* (Alan). Michael and his wife, Tara, have a son, Matthew, who is studying at Purdue. Mike is a strong supporter and volunteer for Iowa Donor Network.



**Joe Kirwen** (Assistant Director) served as stage manager for last fall's ACT production of *Done to Death* and played young Steven this past summer in *The Middle of Yesterday*. He enjoys playing video games, reading, and bothering his wife, Ali. Joe is a Quality Assurance Engineer.