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by José Rivera  
directed by Anton Juan  
**February 19 - March 1, 2015**

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The Sophoclean classic: When King Agamemnon returns from the Trojan War with his new concubine, Cassandra, his wife, Clytemnestra (who has taken Agamemnon's cousin Aegisthus as a lover), kills them. Clytemnestra believes the murder was justified, since Agamemnon had sacrificed their daughter, Iphigenia, before the war, as commanded by the gods. Electra, daughter of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra, rescued her young twin brother, Orestes, from her mother by sending him to Strophius of Phocis. The play begins years later when Orestes has returned as a grown man with a plot for revenge, as well as to claim the throne.

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by Luigi Pirandello

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Notre Dame Film, Television, and Theatre  
Presents

# Six Characters in Search of an Author

by Luigi Pirandello  
English Translation by Edward Storer  
Adapted and Directed by Patrick Vassel '07

## From the Archives

The Department first produced Luigi Pirandello (1867-1936) in spring 1968 in Washington Hall with *Enrico IV* (written in 1921). Fred Syburg directed this production, stage managed by Lance Davis who has gone on to a distinguished professional career. The Department presented *Six Characters in Search of an Author* in October 1981 in Washington Hall, directed by Beatrice J. Bosco. Professor John Welle, Pirandello consultant for this production, served as dramaturg in spring 1985 on Dario Fo's *We Won't Pay! We Won't Pay!*, performed in O'Laughlin Auditorium.

—Mark C. Pilkinton

## Note on Guest Artist

Patrick Vassel '07 is a director, writer, and teacher from Akron, Ohio. Directing credits include *Six Characters in Search of An Author* (Original Adaptation, University of Notre Dame), *Untitled Modern Communication Movement Piece* (Workshop - Ten Bones Theatre Company), *The Adventures of Boy and Girl* (FringeNYC '13), *We the People: America Rocks!* (TheatreWorks USA national tour), the world premiere of *Font of Knowledge* (Shelby Company), *The Little Dog Laughed* (The Gallery Players), *Nothing Left to Burn* (Ars Nova ANTFest and The Public Theater New Work Now!), and *War* (SoHo Playhouse). Assistant/Associate credits include *Hamilton* (The Public Theater), *Magic/Bird* (Broadway), *Single Girls Guide* (Capital Repertory Theatre), *Stars of David* (Philadelphia Theater Company), *Broke House* (Abrons Arts Center) and *WORKING* (Broadway Playhouse, Chicago. Prospect Theater Company at 59E59, NYC). As a writer, Patrick has developed the play *Nothing Left to Burn* (co-written with Adel Hanash '04) at Ars Nova and The Public Theater. As a teacher and teaching artist, Patrick has taught students of all ages in all five boroughs of New York City with Opening Act, The Broadway Teaching Group, and as a writing teacher at Explore Charter School in Brooklyn.

As an undergraduate student at Notre Dame, Patrick performed in the FTT production of *Tartuffe* (directed by Fred Syburg), the first FTT production in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, *Fortinbras* (directed by Jay Paul Skelton), and *Design for Living* (directed by Siiri Scott). He assistant directed for Siiri Scott on the FTT production of *Big Love* and directed *A Few Good Men*, *Inventing Van Gogh*, and *Two Rooms* for the Saint Edward's Hall Players.

Patrick's next project is as the assistant director of *Hamilton*, a new musical written by and starring Tony Award Winner Lin-Manuel Miranda and directed by Tony Award nominee Tommy Kail (*In The Heights*).

This production is dedicated to Professor Kevin Dreyer who has completed his twenty-fifth year at Notre Dame.

## Cast

The Father: Austin Swift\*  
The Mother: Kitty Baker\*  
The Son: Cameron Hart  
The Step-Daughter: Patricia Fernández de Castro-Sámano  
The Boy: John Donaruma  
The Girl: Rosa Morel  
Madame Pace: Anton Juan  
The Producer: Tyrel London  
Phil: Phil Mosey\*  
Mary: Mary Patano\*  
Elizabeth: Lizzie Pagura  
Fo: Fauve Liggans  
Denis: Denis Alexander  
Bruce: Seung Lee\*

*Six Characters in Search of an Author* will be performed without an intermission.  
Please be aware that theatrical smoke and gunshots are used in this production.

## Production Team

Producer: Kevin Dreyer  
Director: Patrick Vassel  
Costume Designer: Abigail M. Hebert\*  
Lighting Designer: Kevin Dreyer  
Set Designer: Marcus Stephens  
Pirandello Consultant: John Welle  
Stage Manager: Dylan Marie Parent\*  
Assistant Stage Manager: Rose Anderson  
Assistant Director: Quint Mediate\*  
Technical Director: C. Kenneth Cole  
Faculty Advisor, Costume Design: Richard E. Donnelly  
Costume Shop Manager: Lynn Holbrook  
Acting Coach: Siiri Scott  
Stage Hands: Austin Burgett, Kevin Murphy  
Run Crew: Katerina Rose Parent  
Dressers: Brynn Alexander, Karen Gilmore, Alexa Monn  
Sound Board Operator: Cody Rowe  
Light Board Operator: Benjamin Vasquez

We thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

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by any means whatsoever are strictly prohibited.

\* indicates FTT major

## Costume Shop Assistants

Alex Ciesla Elizabeth Konicek  
Caitlin Geary Alexa Monn  
Karen Gilmore Isabel Piechowicz  
Abigail Hebert\*

## Scene Shop Assistants

Guillermo Alonso\* Quint Mediate  
Amanda Bartolini Dylan Reed  
Alexander Baran William Woodley  
Michael Burns\* James Woodley  
Moises Martinez

## Costumes, Scenery, Props, and Lighting Crew

Juan Aguila Connor Klekota  
Brynn Alexander Kimberly Kosman  
James Argue Eun Young Lee  
Lauren Barnes Ryan Lidge  
Catherine Baxter Kathleen Mackin  
Tallis Bowers Marissa Martinez  
Conor Bradley Moises Martinez  
Jalen Brown Shannon Massey  
Austin Burgett Nathaniel McKeon  
Kathryn Campbell Carly Meacham  
Michael Cannon Quint Mediate\*  
Jonathan Carr Nandi Mgwaba  
Caroline Chang Kevin Murphy  
Taylor Craft Kaleigh Olmsted  
Andrew Cupero John Pearl  
Cara Curran Cameron Perna  
Taya Davis-Reimer Amanda Pilarski  
Matthew DiDonato Cynthia Pineda  
Laura Eckert Andrew Poirier  
Katherine Eilers Cody Rowe  
Matthew Evans Jake Scanlan  
Thomas Favorite Jacob Schrimpf\*  
Conor Flynn Jonathan Spraul  
Zachary Flynn Blaine Stahl  
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