### DADS presents...

# MURDERED TO DEATH

A play by Peter Gordon

Winn Hall, Dunsfold
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
& Saturday,
9th - 12th November 2005

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### Directed by Beryl Cooke Produced by Louise Enticknap

This hilarious spoof of the best of Agatha Christie traditions is set in a country manor house in the 1920's, with a cast of characters guaranteed to delight - Bunting, the butler; an English Colonel; a shady French art dealer and his moll; the bumbling local inspector and his Constable and a well-meaning local sleuth who seems to attract murder wherever she goes - they're all here, and all caught up in the side-splitting antics which follow a mysterious death.

Who did the dreadful deed and why? It soon becomes clear that the murderer isn't finished yet, but will the murderer be unmasked before everyone has met their doom, or will the audience die laughing first?

#### Characters in order of appearance:

Mildred Bagshot (Lady of the Manor)

Dorothy Foxton (Mildred's niece)

Bunting (The butler)

Col. Charles Craddock (Friend of Mildred)

Margaret Craddock (The Colonel's wife)

Pierre Marceau (A French art dealer)

Elizabeth Hartley-Trumptington

(High society friend of Mildred's)

Joan Maple (Nosey neighbour of Mildred's)

Inspector Pratt (Bumbling police inspector)

Constable Thompkins (Intelligent constable)

Mary Stiles

Jo Jones

Michael Walker

John Simper

Shirley Jeffrey

David Airey

Judith Lahey-Bean Shirley Garland

Tony Cannings

Phil Travis

Act I, Scene I Late afternoon, autumn

Act I, Scene II The following morning

Act II, Scene I Two hours later

Act II, Scene II One hour later

#### There will be a short interval at the end of Act I, Scene II

Stage Manager Anne Cannings

Assistant Stage Managers Marion Charlesworth & Gillian

Kisch

Lighting and Special Effects Tony Cannings, Sahana Chanda &

Derek Gardiner

Set Design & Construction Jonathan & Tim Mason, Zoë

Eastland, Anne Cannings

Scenery Painting Jonathan & Robin Mason

Paintings Richard Woof

Wardrobe Mary Hardcastle & cast members

Make-up Sam Hammonds

Properties Gillian Kisch & Sahana Chanda

Front of House Louise Enticknap

Catering Jane Sweatman, Anne Cannings,

Louise Enticknap, Christine Woof

Hall Design Clare Enticknap & Christine Woof

Publicity Derek Gardiner

Box Office Joanna Gardiner

Programme & Ticket Design Derek Gardiner

#### DADS 90TH ANNIVERSARY

DADS will be celebrating its 90th anniversary in 2006 and to celebrate this remarkable achievement we will be staging our first pantomime in 55 years. The pantomime will be staged on the evenings of 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November with a matinee on the afternoon of Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2006.

DADS always welcomes new members and helpers. Next year's pantomime will involve a lot of hard work (and fun) and we will need as much help as possible from as many people as possible, to ensure that it is a major success.

If you're interested in joining DADS or helping us in any way, then please contact our secretary Jane Sweatman on 01483 200 232.

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We look forward to seeing you soon. Tel: 01483 200 246