

# **URI THEATRE PRESENTS**

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CHICKENS
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December 4-6, 2025 @ 7:30pm December 7, 2025 @ 2:00pm Tickets: uri.edu/theatre OR (401) 874-5843

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## PRINCIPAL CAST (in order of appearance)

# By Harold Pinter

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### **UNDERSTUDY CAST**

Ben ......Ethan Clarke
Gus ......Max Hunter

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There will be one 15 minute intermission.

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#### **DIRECTORS' NOTES**

#### From Kenneth Dunn, Director, Free Range Chickens

One of the most important things that I'm looking for when I set out to make a play is a sense of nervous laughter. To find something that leads us to that. In my mind, it's better than normal laughter. Nervous laughter operates on the same frequency as a "gasp," or some other form of shock, delivers apprehension, but also has inbuilt in it, laughter, which is indicative of joy. It's something I look for when I seek out artistic work a lot -what makes me laugh, but also slightly uncomfortable in the back of my head? *Free Range Chickens* is a show that evoked that feeling for me, and I hope it does for you too. It involves two strangers at a bus station. It's one of those shows that is almost impossible to write about for fear of giving the game away — spoilers — and I hope that when you sit in your seat and view all of the excellent work people have put into this - that you are just as surprised as I was when I first read it.

## From Brandon Tallardy, Director, The Dumb Waiter

Harold Pinter's *The Dumb Waiter* lives in the tension between silence and explosion - between what is said, what is unsaid, and what can't be admitted out loud. In this production, we explore the fragile loyalties and quiet terrors that bind two men waiting for instructions from an unseen power. Pinter asks us to lean into the discomfort, to recognize the absurdity in the banal, and to confront the systems—personal or political—that demand obedience without explanation. Thank you for joining us in the room where uncertainty takes center stage.

#### PRODUCTION STAFF

Production Manager	Kayla Senn
Assistant Production Manager	Alex Pinto
Assistant Directors	Daniel Carrao, David Santana

# PRODUCTION STAFF continued

Assistant Stage ManagersAliza Almonte, Zachary Black,
Parker Frenze, Max Hunter, Kayla Kennedy, Sonia Thomas
Dramaturge Abbey Pezza
Charge Scenic ArtistAmelia Connor-McCoy
Head ElectricianAaron Adams
Assistant Head ElectricianGray Jeffery, Mia Victorino
ElectriciansAvery Brown, Julia Gallery, Madeline Kortz,
Kayla Senn, Domenica Silvestri, Julia Thelen
CarpentersDrew Babigian, Angus Chlebecek, Chelsea Taylor
Set Construction & Paint CrewEvan Asfour, Ema Cervasio,
Vanessa Chan, Emma Cotter, Julia Gallery, Madeline
Kortz, Sophia Landeo, Cecilia Savage, Jaelin Lindsey,
Dylan Tallardy, Greta Williams, Zoe Ziegler
Stage Running CrewEmma Cervasio, Gavin Kiernan,
Sophia Landeo, Jaelin Lindsey, Cecilia Savage
Light Board OperatorZoe Ziegler
Sound Board OperatorAllison Whitney
Costume Construction Crew Maya Wolski,
Abraphine Ngafaih, Zoe Ziegler, Anna Tally,
Honor Pierce, THE250 Students
Wardrobe SupervisorEmersyn Nutting
Wardrobe Running CrewAngus Chlebecek,
Geneva Outhouse, Gracelyn Watkins
Program Cover DesignTatiana Sullivan
Box Office Manager
Box Office StaffRae Hirons, Gray Jeffery, Siobhan Kalfur,
Brian McKenna, Sydney Nogueira, Tatiana Sullivan
Student House Manager(s)Jena Hindy, Hannah Lazar,
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Alex Pinto, Ava Sousa, Alexis Sylvestre
Fight ChoreographyBrandon Tallardy
Fight CaptainMax Hunter

# PRODUCTION STAFF continued

Faculty Advisor-Management	Paula McGlasson
Faculty Advisor-Directing	Rachel Walshe
Faculty Design Advisor	James Horban
Faculty Advisor-Costumes	Alison Walker Carrier
Technical Director	Steve Wilson
Assistant Technical Director	Samuel Cote
THE161 Instructor	Jake Richards-Hegnauer
Sound Advisor	
Outreach Coordinator	Bonnie Bosworth
Electrician Lighting Supervisor	Haley Ahlborg
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Social Media TeamKayla S	Senn (chair), Aaron Adams,
Noah Goldman, Siobhan Kalfur, Sydney Nogueira,	
David Santana, .	Julia Thelen, Celeste Tucci
Admin. Ast. II	Ralph McElroy
Office Assistants	Parker Frenze, Gray Jeffery

# URI THEATRE FACULTY & STAFF

Sophia Blum	Guest Artist, Acting
Bonnie Bosworth	
Normand Beauregard	
Alison Walker Carrier	
Samuel Cote	
Maria Day-Hyde	Guest Artist, Intro to Theatre
Jacob Richards-Hegnauer	Guest Artist, Stagecraft
James HorbanAssistant Pro	ofessor, Design & Technology
David T. Howard	Professor, Costume Design
Ralph McElroy	Administrative Assistant II
Paula McGlassonPr	ofessor, Theatre Management,
	Department Chair
Jennifer Madden	Guest Artist, Theatre History
Tracy Liz Miller	Assistant Teaching Professor
Sarah Taylor	.Guest Artist, Intro to Theatre
Stephanie Traversa	
Rachel WalsheAssistar	nt Professor, Acting, Directing
Steve Wilson	Technical Director

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