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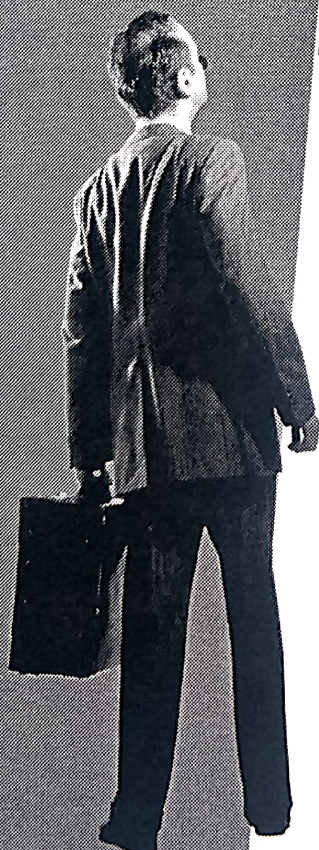
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Loopy



DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Clowns do not exist aside from the performers playing them. And they can't play without an audience. What they do and how they make an audience laugh is a very individual thing. Playing between extremes of success and failure, the absurd and the everyday, invincibility and total vulnerability, this is the territory of the clown.

There have been so many great clowns; Grock, Dimitri, Popov, Chaplin, Keaton, The Marx Brothers, Lucille Ball, Woody Allen, Robin Williams, etc... Clowns have undoubtedly been appearing and disappearing throughout the ages. I don't think the question is what is a clown; or is it a living art or dying one. It is and always will be a sneaky, slippery art that will steal in anywhere, anytime.

Welcome to Hotel Loopy. There are many questions we posed about hotels and about clown in the early days of developing this piece. The act of putting on the red nose gives the actor an immediate relationship with the audience. It also becomes the filter through which the large questions get funnelled. We have been "funnelling" for five weeks now, and here is Hotel Loopy. At your service.

Leah Cherniak

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Theatre Columbus presents

HOTEL *Loopy*

Bertha Stricken Martha Ross
Lewis Scott McCord
Murray Pint Michael Healey
Patti Flo Marjorie Campbell
Razza Dazza Kristen Thomson
Rirt Rick Roberts
Tom Cruise Alon Nashman

Directed by Leah Cherniak
Written collectively by the Company
Sets & Lighting by Glenn Davidson
Costumes by Robin Fisher
Sound Design James Fisher

Stage Manager • Shauna Janssen
Assistant Stage Manager • Robert Harding
Assistant Director • Mindy Parfitt
Production Manager • Ian Arnold
Scenic Artist Melanie • MacNeill
Scenic Carpenters • Craig Smith & Drew Aaslepp
Crew • Ian Rogers & Paul Emerson
Seamstress • Jolete Ante

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Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People, Off the Wall! Gallery
at the AGO, Margaret Rose & Lilly Ross-Millard

Hotel Loopy is approximately 110 minutes long
There will be no intermission

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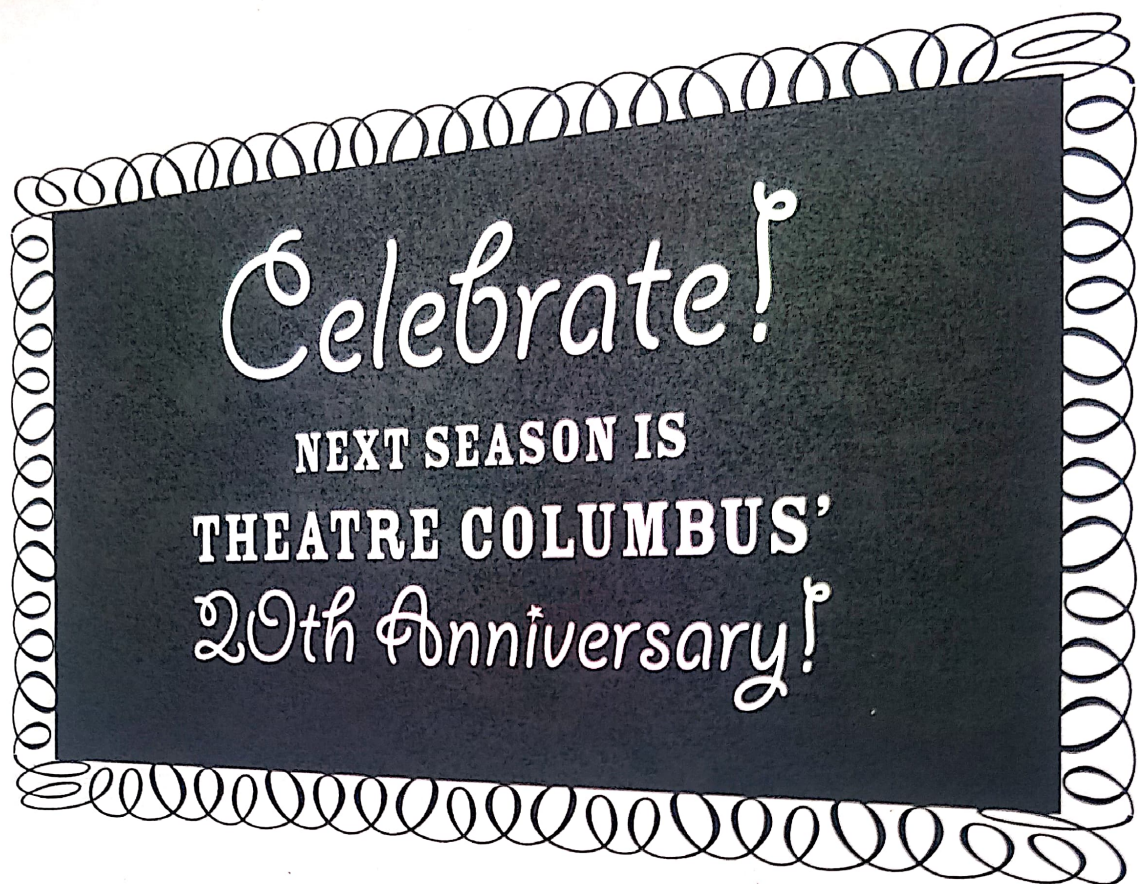
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THEATRE COLUMBUS' ANNUAL CABBAGETOWN GARAGE SALE

Saturday, June 7, 8am - 4pm

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