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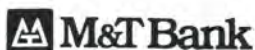


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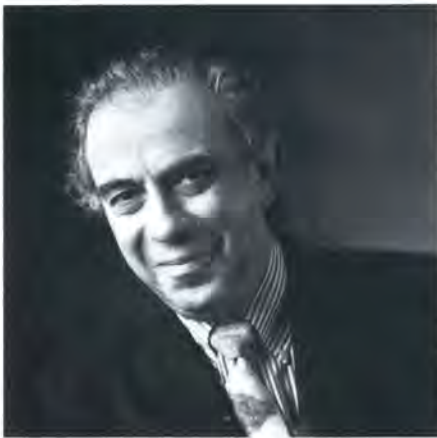


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Kiss Me, Kate Cole Porter's grand and glorious musical...a fitting conclusion to a season that could also be described as grand and glorious. I hope you've enjoyed it as much as we've enjoyed bringing it to you. What a season it's been: the world premiere of *Band in Berlin*, Shakespeare's magnificent *As You Like It*, Paul Rudnick's delightfully silly *I Hate Hamlet*, Cheryl West's heartwarming *Jar The Floor*, and Tennessee Williams' classic *The Glass Menagerie*. It's been a wonderful journey; thanks for sharing it with us.

I'd like to thank the co-producers who've helped to make our production of *Kiss Me, Kate* possible. Forsyth, Howe, O'Dwyer & Kalb, P.C. and Thomson Professional Publishing companies are new to the GeVa family of co-producers, and to them we extend a warm welcome and our sincere thanks. M&T Bank and Rochester Fund Distributors have been with us a bit longer, and we thank them for their continued support. We are sincerely grateful for the generous contributions of these companies. Please join me in thanking them.

Howard J. Millman
Producing Artistic Director

"The needs of communities change, but throughout, the arts remain an integral part of the mix of organizations which creates a vibrant social fabric and a healthy economy. M&T Bank proudly supports GeVa Theatre for its ongoing contribution to our community."

Brian E. Hickey
President
M&T Bank, Rochester Division

"Forsyth, Howe, O'Dwyer & Kalb, P.C. has been a long time corporate supporter of GeVa because of the theatrical excellence it has brought to our community. We are proud to provide GeVa with Co-Producer support to help ensure that this excellence continues."

Duncan W. O'Dwyer
Managing Partner for Forsyth, Howe, O'Dwyer & Kalb, P.C.

"Lawyers Cooperative Publishing, Clark Boardman Callaghan, and Thomson Professional Publishing - Manufacturing are pleased to co-produce Kiss Me, Kate, GeVa's final production of the 1994-95 season. We congratulate you on the high quality of your performances and your contribution to the arts in Greater Rochester."

Kathryn Downing
President & CEO

"Live theatre has the unique ability to entertain, transport and provide reflection on our lives. GeVa provides an essential part of the community's cultural fabric, which deserves all of our support. Rochester Fund Distributors, the marketing arm of upstate New York's largest mutual fund group, is delighted to be a supporter of GeVa Theatre."

Ronald H. Fielding
Chairman
Rochester Fund Distributors, Inc.

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Producing Artistic Director

Timothy J. Shields
Managing Director

presents

Kiss Me, Kate

Music & Lyrics by
Cole Porter

Book by
Bella and Samuel Spewack

Directed by
Howard J. Millman

Choreographer
Diana Baffa-Brill

Musical Director
Corinne Aquilina

with

Diana Brownstone
Larry Cahn
Chet Carlin
Phyllis Gordon
Mark Hardy
Kimberly Harris
Raymond C. Harris
My linda Hull
Peter Kapetan

Ann Kittredge
Michael Kruzich
Valerie Nicolosi
Steven Petrillo
Joseph Reed
Joseph Rich
Howard Samuelsohn
Ada Shedlock
Steve VanBenschoten
Kevin Weldon

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Forsyth, Howe, O'Dwyer & Kalb, P.C.; Rochester Fund Distributors;
Thomson Professional Publishing companies; and M & T Bank

Set Designer
Miguel Romero

Sound Designer
Kevin Dunayer

Costume Designer
Polly J. Byers

Stage Managers
Frank Cavallo &
Charles H. Varin

Lighting Designer
Robert Jared

Assistant Stage Manager
James K. Tinsley

Casting by
Stuart Howard and Amy Schecter, C.S.A.

Cast

(in order of appearance)

Fred Graham	MARK HARDY
Harry Trevor	CHET CARLIN
Lois Lane	MYLINDA HULL
Ralph (Stage Manager).....	KEVIN WELDON
Lilli Vanessi	ANN KITTREDGE
Hattie	KIMBERLY HARRIS
Paul	RAYMOND C. HARRIS
Bill Calhoun	STEVEN PETRILLO
First Man	LARRY CAHN
Second Man	HOWARD SAMUELSON
Stage Doorman	JOSEPH RICH*
Harrison Howell	STEPHEN VAN BENSCHOTEN
Chorus.....	PHYLLIS GORDON, MICHAEL KRIZICH, VALERIE NICOLSI, ADA SHEDLOCK

“Taming of the Shrew ” Players

Bianca (Lois Lane).....	MYLINDA HULL
Baptista (Harry Trevor).....	CHET CARLIN
Gremio (First Suitor).....	PETER KAPETAN
Hortensio (Second Suitor).....	JOSEPH REED
Lucentio (Bill Calhoun).....	STEVEN PETRILLO
Katherine (Lillie Vanessi).....	ANN KITTREDGE
Petruchio (Fred Graham).....	MARK HARDY
Haberdasher.....	DIANA BROWNSTONE
Jesters.....	PHYLLIS GORDON, MICHAEL KRIZICH
	<i>*Dance Captain</i>

*There will be one twenty minute intermission between
Acts One and Two.*

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Understudies: Diana Brownstone (Bianca/Lois Lane), Kevin Weldon (Lucentio/Bill Calhoun)

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