

## **Audition Information**

For the Department Production of

### **Hotel Paradiso**

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Directed by: Dr. John Houchin

### **The Audition**

The auditions will take place on Monday, April 28 and Tuesday, April 29 from 5-8pm on Mainstage. All those interested need to sign up for a five minute slot in the back hallway prior to auditions. For the audition, please prepare a 2 minute contemporary monologue (**a comedic monologue is highly recommended**, although not absolutely necessary.) Callbacks will be held on Thursday, May 1. Time TBA.

### **The Rehearsal Process**

Rehearsals will **begin AUGUST 27** (yes, you will need to return to school early) until the performance dates of October 8-12. Rehearsals will run Monday-Thursday from 6:30pm-10:30pm and Sunday from 1pm-6pm.

### **Synopsis**

**Setting:** Paris, just after the turn of the century.

Monsieur Benoit Pinglet is married to a domineering wife, but longs for Marcelle, the beautiful but neglected spouse of his next door neighbor and best friend, Henri Paillardin. Henri is an expert in architectural anomalies and has been hired to investigate strange sounds at the Hotel Paradiso. The management claims the sounds are cavorting ghosts, but Henri believes they are the result of faulty drains. He plans to spend the night at the hotel to prove his hypothesis. Benoit coincidentally arranges for him and a reluctant Marcelle to meet at the Hotel Paradiso for a tryst that is intended to punish their respective spouses. In the meantime Mathieu, the Pinglet's friend, appears with his four daughters in tow and announces that he will visit them for one whole month. The Pinglet's protest that their house is too small and that he must find a hotel instead. So Mathieu and his brood end up at--you guessed it--the Hotel Paradiso. Soooooooooooooo one wife, two husbands, a bungling friend, four chatty daughters as well as a saucy maid and Henri's shy nephew all end up at the same hotel on the same night, sometimes in the same room and sometimes in the same bed. Oh, did I forget to mention the police raid?! Well, you get the idea.

**Characters:** 9+ men, 7+ women

\*\*\*Copies of the script are available in the office for checkout\*\*\*