

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NICOSIA IN COOPERATION WITH CYPRUS RED CROSS SOCIETY - NICOSIA BRANCH  
SUPPORTED BY THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION

DIRECTED BY: ANGELA CONSTANTINIDOU  
WRITER & HEAD OF PRODUCTION: ANTHONY THOMAS ASHIOTIS



“ John & Mary keep changing towns, desperately trying to find a place which is safe enough to settle down but each town they move to, turns out to be as bad or even worse than the town they were before. When they finally move to a place called “Safetown”, thinking this town must be safe, little do they know what horror lies ahead !”

**Rotary**  
Club of Nicosia



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Dear Friends,

It is with great excitement and heartfelt gratitude that I welcome you to Safetown! This production has been a true labor of love, and I am thrilled to see it come to life on stage. First and foremost, my deepest thanks go to our director, Angela Constantinidou, whose vision, dedication, and talent have been instrumental. To our wonderful technical /production team—your hard work behind the scenes has been invaluable, and this show would not be possible without you.

To our incredible, hardworking cast many of whom are amateurs (stepping onto the stage for the very first time) —thank you for bringing these characters to life with such energy, humor, and passion. Your dedication and courage in taking on this challenge are truly inspiring, and I am in awe of your effort and commitment.

A heartfelt thank you also goes to our generous sponsors, whose financial aid has helped make this production a reality. Your belief in the arts and in our work means the world to all of us involved. We are also deeply grateful to our supporters who include the British High Commission as well as our two main organisers who are the Rotary Club of Nicosia and the Cyprus Red Cross Society Nicosia Brunch.

And finally, to you—our amazing audience. Your presence and enthusiasm mean everything to us. Theatre is a shared experience, and we are delighted to have you with us as we step into the world of Safetown. It has been a long and challenging journey to bring this production to life, and hope that, by the end of the show, you will all leave with a smile—not only knowing that all proceeds are going towards a great cause, but also because you have enjoyed it.

Last but not least, two of the songs you will hear tonight, “Safetown” and “Will you marry me?” were written by me especially for this production. Creating them was an inspiring part of the journey, and I hope they will add to the overall experience you will have tonight.

With warmest thanks,  
Anthony Thomas Ashiotis  
Writer & Head of Production – Safetown



## Angela Constantinidou - Director

It is a great pleasure to welcome you all to our show!

As the director of this play, I can honestly say that this journey has been both a challenge and a joy. Bringing together a mixture of amateur and professional actors has created an experience unlike any other. It has been a beautiful balance of creativity, dedication, and passion, where every individual, regardless of experience, brought something special to the play. Being in a small island where the majority of available actors are Greek-speaking, I couldn't be prouder of the team's hard work and determination to deliver the comedy needed in English. The challenges we faced only deepened our commitment to this performance.

Tonight, we therefore invite you to witness not just a play, but the culmination of hard work, collaboration, and the undeniable spirit of theatre. Your presence makes this journey all the more rewarding! Thank you for helping us reaching our goal for a great cause!

Sit back, relax, and as Dinky says "Hope you like the show" !

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Angela is an architect, an actor and a director. She has graduated from The Atlantic School in New York and owns an MA in Theatre Studies with a focus on directing and Film to Theatre adaptations. She is also a graduate from The Neighbourhood Playhouse School of Theatre.



# CAST



## **Anthony Ashiotis as John Stole**

Anthony is half Greek Cypriot and half Irish / British. He is a Chartered Certified Accountant and runs his own firm of auditors, accountants and consultants. He has acted as President of Rotaract Nicosia and the Rotary Club of Nicosia. He loves theatre and has performed in many theatrical plays and always for charity. "Friends for Oscars" was the first play he wrote and staged and "Safetown" is his second.



## **Autumn Despotis as Mary Stole**

Autumn is an American currently based in Cyprus. She secured her first prominent theatre role at the age of 9, portraying a weasel with criminal tendencies. Autumn has toured with theatre companies in the United States and has performed in numerous community productions, as well. Notable roles include Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors, and Carnelle in The Miss Firecracker Contest.



## **Graham Thomas as Sergeant Banks**

Graham has been an Anglo Cypriot Theatre group (ACT) member since 1990, when he made his first appearance in an ACT production. Since then, he has appeared in, and directed, many of ACT's successful shows, from Shakespeare to panto, from serious drama to comedy. He was also President of ACT for 14 years, until stepping down in 2023 for a rest! Graham has also played major roles in numerous Shakespeare productions at Curium.



## **Lorenzo Micheletto as PC Houses**

Lorenzo is an actor who graduated from 'Acting International' acting film school in Paris back in 2012. Studied Meisner, Checkov, Stanislavski, Strasberg and learned to work with the camera. On his return to Cyprus where he was born and raised, started his first steps into the acting world by working in different television series, theatre and commercials. In 2016 he returned to Paris for his craft, becoming a part time acting teacher alongside his mentor Robert Cordier before he passed away in 2020 where Lorenzo came once again back to Cyprus, continuing working his craft on different projects.



## **Vasily Lavrikov as PC Malls**

Born in the past at a time when he was too young to remember exactly when. From that young age though, people around him started noticing an incremental inclination towards the refined art of robin. After many arduous years he moved to Safetown where he joined the P.F. quicker than he could spread a virus when he blew his nose. Clarity of mind, simple thinking and excellent attention to detail are his most valued qualities. Prepared to be wooed by P.C. Malls.



## **Aleen Andreou as Alice**

Aleen is delighted to return to a play written by Anthony, in a totally different role to her first one of Mrs Saunders ("Friends for Oscars" – 2021). Aleen's passion for theatre began with school and university productions, blossoming further with ACT (Anglo-Cypriot Theatre) and short films, most notably Al Davidian's "Don't Make A Sound". For over a decade she attended Athena Xenidou's Film and Stage Studio and co-founded the improv group Nudniks as well as WET (Women's Empowerment Theatre). When not on stage, Aleen channels her creativity into her work as a corporate trainer and coach with PeopleAchieve.



## **Alexandra Maria Papademetriou as Suzan**

Alexandra has performed in various TV series in Cyprus and Greece as well as on Netflix and in the British thriller miniseries "Ex- wife"! She has appeared in both Cypriot and foreign movies, in collaboration with the well-known director Nadav Lapid. Alexandra has performed in various theatre productions, one of which was "Casting Call" recently on show in several towns of Cyprus.



## **Constantinos Mirallais as Patty Arch/Ricky/ Justin**

"Constantinos, a qualified chartered accountant, a professional basketball player with a passion for extreme sports and acting ! Participated and starred in tv reality "the traitors" shown in ANT1 of Greece and Cyprus and considered the public's favourite and reached the final. Acted in tv series Trykimia and Xalkina Xronia. Starred in recent theatre play called "Casting call" with (Alexandra).



## **John Howarth as Bishop and Mayor**

Originally from Manchester, a 35 year career in wealth management , living and working in a dozen countries and now in Cyprus, the 'island of love', always in pursuit of a new challenge. And here came " Safetown " in which I can promise a 100% effort to justify my role of Mayor and Bishop and help make this a huge success.



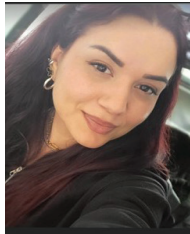
## **Ersin Halit as Mother Superior**

Ersin was born and raised in the UK. The greater part of her life has been devoted to raising awareness of Dyslexia (Specific learning Difficulty) in Cyprus. In 2019, she acted in the comedy play "Get Staffed" and in 2023 and 2024 she appeared in two performances with Women's Empowerment Theatre (W.E.T). Ersin has also performed in various stand-up comedies and improv shows. She is the author of her autobiography My Life/File. An inspiring book that recounts the hardships and joys of her life, her family and her work.



### **Hris Sawyer as Delivery Man**

Hris has studied acting in his home country Bulgaria. During the day he's working as a fashion merchandiser and at night he goes back to his biggest passion - acting. He loves being on stage and expressing himself through many other forms of art - drawing, poetry, fashion and dancing. In Cyprus so far he's been mainly involved with the productions of ACT. He is enchanted by "the illusionary reality" that theater creates for the length of a performance and thinks this is the closest people can get to magic.



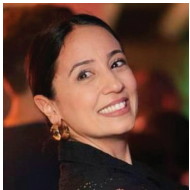
### **Joanna Evgeniou as Waitress**

Joanna is thrilled to make her theatrical debut in the role of the Waitress. Despite being new to acting, her natural talent for making friends and family laugh has inspired her to pursue this path. Recently, she participated as an extra through a Cypriot casting agency for an upcoming film. This performance marks an exciting chapter as she steps onto the stage for the first time, embracing the opportunity to share her passion with the audience. Off stage she is a Business Information Researcher/Analyst at Rime Information Bureau Ltd.



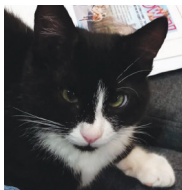
### **Marios Joannides as Courier with Coffin**

Marios was born in Rhodesia (Zambia) while at school and University had several acting experiences. Now a few decades later he has been encouraged to test the acting waters again with a small but funny really role. Marios has an active business and family life.



### **Elena Georgiou as supporting roles**

Elena who has a degree in "Interior Designer" works as a Personal Assistant at Anthony Ashiotis & Co. She is helping out both off & on stage in various supporting roles !



### **Dinky as Extra**

" His favourite is caviar !"













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**Anthony Thomas Ashiotis**

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**“Hope you like the show  
... my name’s Dinky !”**

