

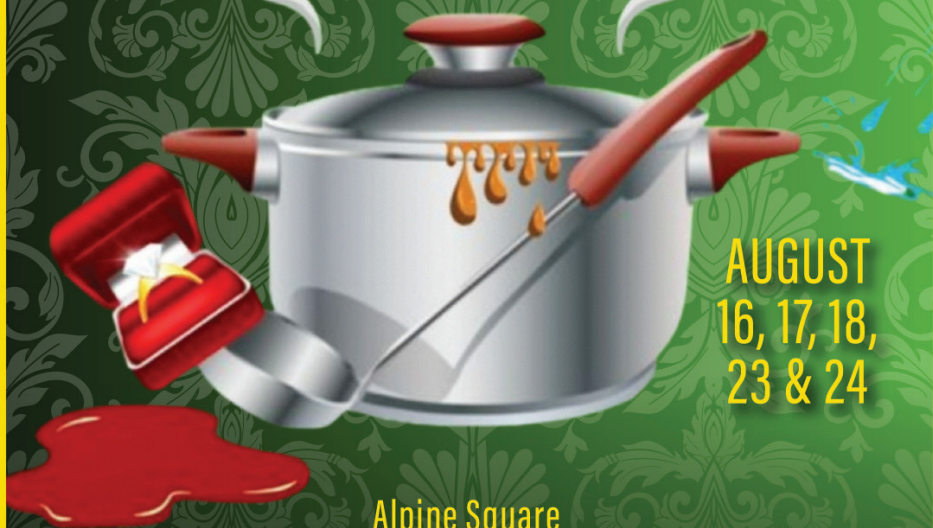
SOUTH CITY THEATRE  
PRESENTS

# COVERING DISH

WRITTEN  
BY  
DAVID  
GARRETT

DIRECTED  
BY  
DONNA STINSON  
WILLIAMSON

A  
SOUTHERN  
COMEDY



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by David Garrett

## PLACE/TIME

A small town somewhere in central Alabama,  
on a hot June afternoon

ACT I Lois Faye's house

ACT II Lois Faye's house, seconds later

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## CREW

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Director ..... Donna Williamson  
Stage Manager ..... Michelle Vercher  
Set Designer..... Dan Strickland, Mike Gerrells, Donna Williamson  
Set Crew ..... Mike Gerrells, Ron Rabun, Donna Williamson, Cast & Crew  
Interior Decorators ..... Donna Williamson, Cast and Crew  
Sound/Light Designer & Board Op..... Clark French  
Poster Design/Printed Program..... Delaine Green & David Garrett  
Online Program Design ..... Lisa Ponder  
When We Cross that Peaceful River..... written by David Garrett & Larry Slater  
When We Cross that Peaceful River ..... sung by Martha Summey

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## CAST

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Rita Wallace ..... Leslie Price  
Lois Faye Wallace ..... Sharon Morgan  
Martha Sue Pepperdine ..... Marlene Wallace  
Carl Wallace ..... Trey Woodrow  
Viki Gilmore ..... Jess Smyly  
Becky Lee Dish ..... Donna Littlepage  
Cordell Baleuh..... Katy Walker  
Jean Marie Finley ..... Robin Wallace  
Vernon Finley..... Paul LaRussa  
Dana Finley..... Mac Pearson  
Orell Tubbs ..... Scott Frazier

Edith Ann Dish ..... Genni Boatwright  
Inez Cortez ..... Maree Jones  
Hector Chavez..... Holt Thomas  
Luther Shibley ..... Alex Arnold  
Sheriff Frye ..... Michael Wilbanks  
Deputy Dykes ..... Amy Self  
Vidalia ..... Stefanie Woodrow  
Willodean ..... Michelle Vercher  
Shirley ..... Margaret Harrill  
Brother Samuel ..... Warren Hamby

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## SPECIAL THANKS

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David Garrett, Destiny Clark, Michelle Vercher, Sue Ellen and Mike Gerrells, Ron Rabun, Steven Ross, Donald Norwood, Jason Norwood, Martha Summey, Clark French, Lisa Ponder, Lena LaRussa, Kyle Bass, Homewood Theatre, and Marlene Wallace

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## DIRECTOR'S NOTES

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In 1996, three life-changing events occurred: in June my mother passed away, in August, after a 13-year break, I returned to college, and in November I was in my very first play. That play was *Covering Dish*. I give many thanks to David Garrett for casting me. Because of this, and the patience and kindness of several cast members, I found a great love in transforming myself into other people. Directing this show has meant the world to me. *Covering Dish* has not been performed since 2001 (other than one glorious night in 2023!) so it is with great pride that South City is resurrecting this gem. I appreciate so much that David trusted his baby to me. Two cast members from that show in 1996 have since passed away - Ann Custer, who played Lois Faye and my uncle, James Baggett, who played Brother Samuel. I sincerely hope they are laughing along with us. To my cast and crew: Thank you, thank you, thank you. Thank you for believing in me, this show, and returning for *Covering Dish* - Round Two! You are the chicks beneath my wings, and I cluck for you! Turn off those cell phones, sit back, get ready to laugh and join that crazy *Dish* Family as they mourn the death of their Aunt Eula Mae. I bet you see yourself or at least a family member or two in this crazy cast!

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## PLAYWRIGHT'S NOTES

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When I first wrote *Covering Dish*, I never imagined it would be staged again 30 years later. To say the least, I am thrilled. I would like to thank Donna Stinson Williamson for her belief in the show, and despite numerous obstacles beyond her control, her determination to get *Covering Dish* on the stage. I would also like to thank South City Theatre and the entire cast for their time and dedication, and for sharing their talents. I think *Covering Dish* resonates with people, because we see so much of our own family in the show. I also believe *Covering Dish* reminds us of what is so special about growing up in the South. Thank you for being in the audience tonight. Who knows? Maybe I will see you all again in another 30 years. This production of *Covering Dish* is dedicated to the memory of my parents Ray and Shirley Garrett.

Sincerely,  
David Garrett - Playwright

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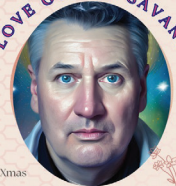
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