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A theater poster for the play 'Crimes of the Heart'. The background is a deep red with a silhouette of a forest. At the top, it says 'SOUTH CITY THEATRE PRESENTS' in white. The title 'CRIMES of the HEART' is written in large white letters, with 'of the' in a cursive font. To the right, it says 'FEBRUARY 9-17, 2024'. Below the title is a white heart shape containing a silhouette of a house. At the bottom, it says 'BY BETH HENLEY DIRECTED BY PAT YATES'. The bottom section of the poster has a dark background with silhouettes of people and the address '2969 Pelham Parkway • Suites J-K • Pelham, AL 35124' and the website 'www.southcitytheatre.com • 205.621.2128'. At the very bottom, in small white text, it says 'CRIMES OF THE HEART is presented by special arrangement with Broadway Licensing, LLC, servicing the Dramatists Play Service collection. (www.dramatists.com)'.

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South City Theatre
Presents

Crimes of the Heart

by Beth Henley

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Originally produced by the Actors Theatre of Louisville, Inc., in February 1979. CRIMES OF THE HEART received its New York Premiere at the Manhattan Theatre Club in 1980. Produced on the Broadway Stage by Warner Theatre Productions, Inc./Claire Nichtern, Mary Lea Johnson, Martin Richards, Francine Lefrak.

Place/Time

1974, Hazlehurst Mississippi - Magrath Household where oldest daughter, Lenny, lives with "Old Granddaddy"

Season is the Fall, five years after Hurricane Camille

Acts

Act 1 - Afternoon on Lenny' birthday

INTERMISSION

Act 2 - Later that evening

Act 3 - The following morning

CREW

Director Pat Yates
Assistant Director / Stage Manager..... Jess Smyly
Props Manager Alex Daigler
Set Designer Mike Gerrells
Set Crew Mike Gerrells, Ed Yates, Dale Cookson,
Rachel Upton, Ron Ruban, Alex Daigler, Vic Morrow
Sound/Light Designer & Board OpClark French
Poster Design/Printed Program Delaine Derry Green
Online Program Design Lisa Ponder

CAST

Lenny MagrathLori Mercer
Chick Boyle..... Autumn Brown Kisor
Doc Porter Brennan Martignoni
Meg Magrath..... Jennifer Spiegelman
Babe Magrath Botrelle Megan Pecot
Barnette LloydCarter Crane

Special Thanks

Kyle Bass, Jon Curren, Lisa Ponder, Sharon Morgan,
Leigh Brannon, Lynn Carmichael, Jessica Notar, Paul Boyer,
Donna Williamson, Sherry Gilbreath, Ashley Marrow, and
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DIRECTOR'S NOTES

1984 began my love affair with the 1981 winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, *Crimes of the Heart*, when I played Lenny in the Montevallo Main Street Players' production. Since then, I have directed the show at Mountain Brook High School with a talented group of young actors. I am excited to now have the honor of collaborating with this group of experienced and amazing adult actors. I have enjoyed every minute working with them and watching them bring to the stage this little sordid slice of life. The Magrath sisters are having a "really bad day" as they deal with their traumatic past, and at times the three of them don't know whether to laugh or cry. Lenny, Babe, Meg, and cousin Chick, put the fun in dysfunctional, but at the same time never fail to touch my heart. I hope it touches yours, too.

I want to thank the remarkably proficient Jess Smyly, the incomparable Mike Gerrells, my sweet son-in-law Vic Morrow, and my precious husband Ed for being there & making sure everything came together. Because of our marvelous cast, production staff, and audiences, *Crimes of the Heart* is now a reality for us all.

****NO tobacco is used in this production****

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