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Copenhagen Theatre Circle (CTC) presents in English

Funeral Games

A black comedy by Joe Orton

Directed by Maria Lundbye

Cast: Dominic Achaz, Damian Kowalczyk, Adriano Mandolini, Irina Norberg

23 September to 3 October 2015 (except 28 September)

Weekdays at 20:00; Saturdays and Sundays at 17:00

TICKETS

Ticket price kr. 110. Group discounts available for groups of 10 or more.

Where to buy: www.ctcircle.dk/buy-tickets/.

Please note that the performance will last approximately one hour and there will not be an interval.

For press tickets for the premiere on 23 September, please write to press@ctcircle.dk.

VENUE

Krudttønden, Serridslevvej 2, 2100 Kbh. Ø (www.krudttonden.dk)

Copenhagen Theatre Circle is proud to present Joe Orton's black comedy *Funeral Games*.

When religious conman and cult leader Pringle receives an anonymous letter alleging his wife Tessa is having an affair with a former Catholic priest, he hires young thug Caulfield to investigate.

Although it appears Tessa's visits to the priest McCorquodale involve nothing more compromising than a blanket bath, Pringle believes it's his right to kill her for committing adultery. But Pringle is persuaded to tell people Tessa has gone away, in the hope suspicions will be raised and he will develop a trendy reputation as a killer. But things go awry when a news reporter begins demanding proof of the murder and accuses Pringle of being innocent ...

Although *Funeral Games* was first presented by Yorkshire Television back in 1968 and produced as a stage play in 1970, its humorous take on organized religion and fanaticism – and how people are drawn into it – is just as relevant today, if not even more so. Joe Orton's career lasted only three years until his death in 1967 but was very productive. The adjective Ortonesque is sometimes used in referring to other similarly scandalous black comedies.

The play features original music, a body part and a sexual reference or two, so you are invited to join us for a shock and a giggle – go on, we dare you!

TRANSPORT

There is limited street parking near the venue, although there is underground parking for 130 cars accessible from the corner of Serridslevvej and Gunnar Nu Hansens Plads, beside the theatre. Be aware, however, that there can be great demand for parking in connection with events in nearby Fælledparken or the National Stadium (Parcken). We would therefore recommend taking public transport. The nearest S-train station is Nordhavn. The venue can easily be reached by buses 1A, 14, 40 and 401.

COPENHAGEN THEATRE CIRCLE

This English-speaking group of theatre enthusiasts has been providing Copenhagen audiences with high-quality drama in English since 1968. It presents three stage productions for the general public each year and hosts play-readings, improvisation courses and all manner of other theatre and acting-related events throughout the season.

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