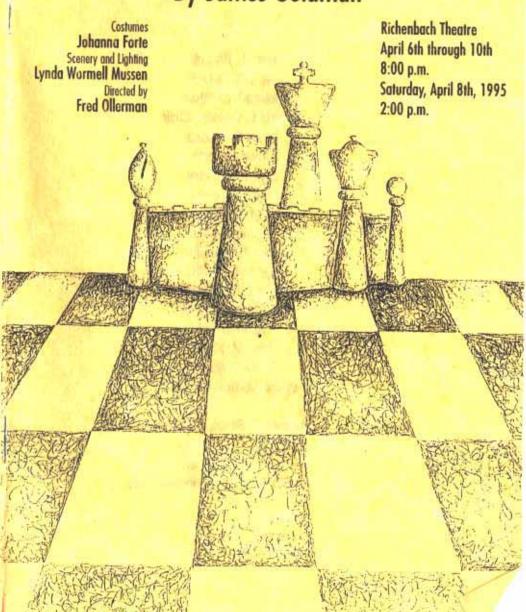
# PLAYGRAM

Kutztown University Department of Speech and Theatre presents

# THE LION IN WINTER

By James Goldman



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Director

Dr. Fred Ollerman

Costume Design Johanna Forte

Scenery Design

Johanna Porte

Linda Wormell-Mussen

Lighting Design Ken Lager Production Coordinator Eugene R. Huber

Stage Manager Melissa Adams

Assistant to the Director Jennifer McHugh

This production is an Associate entry in the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KC/ACTF)

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

The taking of pictures is prohibited during the performance

### **The Cast**

(in order of appearance)

King Henry II, King of England	John M. Callahan
Alais Capet, A French Princess	Maria DeVera
John, The Youngest Son	
Geoffrey, The Middle Son	Brian Di Bonaventure
Richard, The Oldest Son	Robert A. Neddoff
Eleanor of Aquitaine	
Philip Capet, King of France	Christopher Diehl

#### **UNDERSTUDIES**

For Alais Capet - Melissa Adams; for Richard - Jabbar Wright; for Geoffrey and Philip - Richard Martin; for John - Mark Snyder

The Place: Henry's Castle at Chinon, France

The Time: Christmas, 1183

#### Act One

Scene One	Alais' Chamber
Scene Two	Reception Hall
Scene Three	Eleanor's Chamber
Scene Four	Reception Hall
Scene Five	_
Scene Six	Philip's Chamber

#### 10 Minute Intermission

#### Act Two

Scene OneHenry's	Chamber
Scene TwoAlais' 0	Chamber
Scene Three The Win	ne Cellar

#### Director's Note

The historical material on Henry's reign is considerable insofar as battles, plots, wars, treaties and alliances are concerned. This play--while simplifying the political maneuvering combining a meeting of the French and English Kings in 1183 with a Royal Court held at Windsor in the following year into a Christmas Court that never was--is accurately based on the available data.

The facts we have, while clear enough as to the outcome of relationships--such things as who kills who and when--say little if anything about the quality and content of those relationships. The people in this play, their character and passions, while consistent with the facts we have, are fictions.

The play, finally, contains anachronisms in speech, thought, habit, custom and so on. Those the author is aware of -- the way, for instance, Christmas is celebrated--are deliberate and not intended to outrage the historical aspects of the script.

The play is a game of chess.

James Goldman

Fred Ollerman

#### Who's Who In The Cast

#### Ryan B. Bailey - John

Ryan is a Sophomore related arts/theatre major at Kutztown University. He has been seen in Assassins and Deathwatch at KU. Other productions outside of Kutztown University are The Fantasticks, The Pajama Game, Once Upon A Mattress, Oklahoma!, Fiddler on the Roof, and Mame. In his spare time Ryan teaches karate and collects tickets from public safety. He would like to thank his parents for buying him that new Mazda and the house at the beach.

#### Brian Di Bonaventure - Geoffrey

Brian is a Freshman at Kutztown University. He is a theatre major and works as a waiter at Denny's in Pottstown. He enjoys being a member of the KU Renaissance Club Christmas Dinner. His past productions outside of KU include Oliver, The King and I, Joseph..., and Brighton Beach Memoirs. He would like to say thanks to Chris, Trish, Ally, Jill and Amy for the support.

#### John M. Callahan - King Henry II

John M. Callahan has a Ph.D. in Theater from Kent State University and is a professor of Speech and Theatre here at Kutztown University. He has written a book and dozens of articles in his fields of Stage Combat, Theater History, and Grotesque Trivia. In 1988 he was the first graduate of the Paramedic program at the Reading Hospital and Medical Center, and he volunteered over 10,000 hours as a Paramedic running with Northeastern Berks Advanced Life Support (1988-1994). He has directed over 40 shows, 13 of them at KU. As an actor he has appeared in over 60 plays. His last role was Pseudolus in the Reading Civic Opera Society's A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum (1984).

#### Maria DeVera - Alais Capet

Maria is a Junior at Kutztown University. She works for the Reading Phillies. Her interests lie in theatre. Her past KU productions include The Jungle, Antigone, James and the Giant Peach, The Frog Prince, For Miss Rachel- A Thanksgiving and These Are My Flowers. She has also been in Oliver, Oklahoma!, Bye Bye Birdie, The Revenant and she will soon be appearing in The Brat Pack Anthology outside of Kutztown. She enjoys being in the English Honor Society and the MP Society at Kutztown. She is an officer in Readers Theatre. She would like to dedicate this show to her Mom. "Rock on Babs, Q, Chris, Lauren and Cami."

#### Christopher Diehl - Philip Capet

Christopher is a Senior at Kutztown University. He is a telecommunications major with a theater minor. His past KU productions include Assassins, Little Shop of Horrors, and It's Only A Play. He will soon be appearing in a Brat Pack Anthology as John Bender and Alec Newberry. He is a loyal member of the Kutztown Chapter of MP Society, a KU chamber singer, a member of the KU Choir and After Hours. He is presently an intern at CRB Broadcasting. "I'd like to thank the Castle Diner for keeping me on a caffeine high for 3 semesters, my wonderful roommates, and Babs - you're goin' places, babe! I love you! And of course, my parents for all your love and support."

#### Production Staff

#### Cami Miller - Eleanor of Aquitaine

Cami Miller is a Junior at Kutztown University. She is pursuing a double major in theatre and music. She is a member of the honors program, the Treasurer of the KU Drama Club, and the Secretary of the KU Musical Theatre Club. She enjoys her work as a resident assistant in Berks Hall. At Kutztown she performed in Tartuffe, The Jungle, Crimes of the Heart, Fatimas and Kisses, Assassins and was nominated and competed for an Irene Ryan American College Theatre Scholarship. She received a Music scholarship, a theatre scholarship and an APSCUF scholarship. She has participated in productions outside of KU such as Fiddler on the Roof, Toyland, Little Mary Sunshine, Grease, L'il Abner, Pippin, and You're a Good Man Charlie Brown. Cami would like to dedicate her performance to the "Kutztown Castle Diner Brat Pack", her ever-supportive family and her brother! "Remember... When in doubt, laugh!" This is for you Pop Pop!

#### Robert A. Neddoff - Richard

Rob is a Sophomore at Kutztown University. He is unemployed at this time, but is available for all parties, weddings and bar mitzvas. He is a theatre major and he loves music, especially Van Morrison, and soccer. He has appeared in *Deathwatch*, *James and the Giant Peach*, *The Tree House* and *Assassins*. His role as John Wilkes Booth in *Assassins* earned him an Irene Ryan Nomination from the KC/ACTF. Some of his favorite roles were Danny in *Grease*, Tartuffe in *Tartuffe*, and Moon Face Martin in *Anything Goes*. As always, Robert would like to dedicate his performance to his father. "If he could only see me now!"

Acting & Vocal Coaches	Laura Facciponti
	Dr. Deryl Johnson
Stage Manager	Melissa Adams
Assistant Stage Managers	Mark Snyder
	Jabbar Wright
Assistant to the Director	
House Manager	Elizabeth Maidment
Costume Designer Assistants	Erin McCole.
	Majewicz & Michelle Bush
Wardrobe Mistresses	Cary Majewicz,
	elle Bush & Tracey Gibson
Dressers	
	ff & Jeannine Mosakowski
Crowns Constructed by	Beth Quesinberry
Make-up Designer	Daniel Chiavaroli
Make-up Crew	Valarie Morse,
Airr	nee Marks & Freddy Whyte
Scene Shop Foreman	Fred Becker
Scene Shop Assistants	Dean Sanacory
	Amy Fair
Set Design Assistant	Valerie Lynch
Set Construction	THE 140 Class
	THE 015 Class
Master Electrician	
Lighting Crew	Skot Tamburri,
	Crooke & Julie Finklestein
Sound Designer	Jason Horowitz
Sound Operator	Bill Ezell
Props Master	Jon Polansky
Props Assistants	Thor Neureiter
	Melissa Adams
Stage Crew	Eileen Donavan,
Tara Houser, John J	lohnstonbaugh & Ben Ziek
Graphic Artist	Suzanne Mehaffie
Publicity Coordinator	Jennifer T. Peterson

#### Who's Who in the Production Staff

#### Dr. Fred Ollerman - Director

Dr. Ollerman has a background in academic and professional theatre. He has taken degrees from the University of Wisconsin, Michigan State University, the University of Michigan of Alabama. He worked as a free-lance director before joining American Players Theatre in Spring Green Wisconsin, as a director, teacher and AEA stage manager. This is Dr. Ollerman's 2nd year as a teacher/director at KU. Since coming here he has directed *Tartuffe* and *Crimes of the Heart*. He has directed approximately 50 other plays outside of KU.

#### Lynda Wormell Mussen - Set Designer

Professor Wormell-Mussen is an Assistant Professor of Theater in her fourth year. *The Lion In Winter* marks her ninth production at KU. Prior to coming to KU, she lived and worked in New York City for 12 years where she designed scenery for countless productions in both academic and professional theatre. She resides in Kutztown with her children, Daniel, age 11, and Allison, age 7, and often visits her husband, Alan, who works and lives in New York City.

#### Johanna Forte - Costume Designer

Professor Forte is an eighth year Assistant Professor of Theatre at KU. She has a wide range of professional experience including The Attic Theatre, State University of New York at Purchase, two years as resident costumer at Allentown's Pennsylvania Stage Company, and assisting some New York-based costume designers. She was cited by the Kennedy/ACTF for excellence in costume design for KU's Crimes of the Heart and Assassins. She resides in Bowers, PA with her actor/director husband, Randall and their two children Melina and Byron.

#### Ken Lager - Lighting Designer

Ken is a Senior Technical Theatre major at Kutztown University. His production experience is too long to list in this program. He is a technical advisor for Sunshine Players, KU's children's theatre group. He was the lighting designer/master electrician for nine university productions. He is vice-president of production for The Association of Campus Events. He is president of Alpha Psi Omega Honorary Fraternity. In his spare time he works for Stage Plus Inc. in Allentown. "Thanks Tiia for putting up with me!"

#### Kristen Tuerk - Tapestry Artist

Kristen has a BS in Art Education and a BSA in Crafts. She is a free-lance textiles artist concentrating on surface embellishment and piecework quilt making. She is the owner and operator of Kristen Tuerk-Knabb Studio, a custom picture frame shop and she is a custom illuminated calligrapher. "Best wishes to the cast and crew for a successful show.

#### Melissa Adams - Stage Manager

Melissa is a Sophomore related arts major with supplementals in music and english. Her past productions at KU include Assassins, The Jungle, and Ugly Ducklings where she worked backstage. She has performed in Rumors, Hello, Dolly!, Annie and Fiddler on the Roof outside of KU. She is a member of the KU Choir. She spends most of her time playing the piano, annoying her wonderful friend Ryan Bailey and making nightly visits to the local Castle Diner.

#### Jennifer McHugh - Assistant to the Director

Jennifer is a Junior related arts/theatre major with a dance and music minor. Her past KU productions include Crimes of the Heart, The Jungle, Antigone, and The Treehouse. She will be appearing in The Brat Pack Anthology as Alley Sheedy and Sloane Peterson, Little Shop of Horrors, Barnum, Comedy of Errors, Major Barbara, Bye Bye Birdie, and Gospell. She is a member of MP Society. She would like to thank her family and her best friends Lauren, Babs, Maria, Val, Chris, and Marcus. "I love you all and rock on!!!"

#### Jennifer T. Peterson - Publicity Coordinator

Jennifer is a Senior marketing major with a public relations minor at Kutztown University. She enjoys working at The Morning Call newspaper. She is an active member of the American Advertising Federation and she will be competing in the College World Series of Advertising Competition in April of this year. She spends her time working on the publicity for this production, searching for the perfect job, planning her wedding and high school reunion! She loves spending time with her fiancè, Jose. She would like to thank Jose and her supportive family for putting up with her through this very stressful year.



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**Directed by Richard Martin** 

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and

Sunday, May 7th 11:00am, 4:00pm & 8:00pm

In the Little Theatre of Schaeffer Auditorium

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and

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