



Jacksonville State University and  
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present

# A Higher Place In Heaven

by Pamela Parker

*Pulitzer Prize Nominated*

May 23, 24, 25 at 8pm

May 26 at 2pm

Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center  
Corner of Church and Eleventh  
Call 782 - 5648 for information

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## **CAST LIST**

(in order of appearance)

Madison . . . . .	Kathy Douglas
Simpson . . . . .	Phyllis Densmore
Son . . . . .	David Downs
Billie Augusta . . . . .	Ashley Pendley
Frisky . . . . .	Nick Romano
Ulysses . . . . .	Cher Bernard

## **TIME: 1925**

The action of the play takes place on the front porch of Miss Madison's old mansion in South Georgia

**There will be one ten minute intermission.**

**A HIGHER PLACE IN HEAVEN** is produced by special arrangement with the playwright and the JSU Center for Southern Studies.

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**THE CENTER FOR SOUTHERN STUDIES** is ten years old. Its mission is to promote understanding of the South among academicians, public leaders, and the people of the region and the nation, to support research by Southern scholars, and to offer outreach programs to the people of Northeast Alabama. A part of Jacksonville State University, the Center for Southern Studies plays a major role in shaping a positive image for Alabama and this region.

**THE SOUTHERN PLAYWRIGHTS COMPETITION** is celebrating its seventh anniversary. An outgrowth of the highly successful production of Randy Hall's **BLACK WARRIOR** ten years ago, SPC seeks to identify and encourage plays by Southerners about the Southern experience. SPC is proud to be a part of the JSU Center for Southern Studies. Previous winners are D. K. Beyer's **MAKE HASTE SLOWLY** (1989) Granville Burgess' **PLAY IT AS IT LIES** (1990), Kenneth F. Graham's **THE DREAMLAND BUS** (1991), Sarah Lawrence's **LIBERTY** (1993), and Joan Vail Thorne's **THE EXACT CENTER OF THE UNIVERSE** (1994). Other JSU productions resulting from the competition have been **APPLE DREAMS** and **MIZ LENA'S BACKYARD**.

**Smoking is only allowed on the front terrace of Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center**

**PRODUCTION STAFF**  
**FOR**  
*A Higher Place in Heaven*

Director	Susan McCain
Stage Manager	Doug Millington
Scenic Designer and Technical Director	David Keefer
Costume Designer	Freddy Clements
Lighting Design and Scenic Artist	Carlton Ward
Poster and Program Design	Paul Thornton
Hair Stylist	Phillip Roberson
Producer	Carlton Ward
Assistant Stage Manager	Lesley Gray
Costume Shop Manager	Joyce W. Tate
Box Office Manager	Jan Rhodes

**Box Office and Publicity Staff**

Allison Graydon, Lesley Gray, Melissa Crow

**Music**

David Morris

**PRODUCTION CREWS**

**Scenery Construction, Painting, and Lighting**

Todd Edwards, Andy Hadley, Holly Brockett,  
Debbie Johnson, Regina Chapman

**Sound & Light Board Operator**

Jeremy Stubbs

**Properties Crew**

Jeremy Stubbs, Jeremy West

**Cutter/Draper**

Freddy Clements

**Costume Crew**

Callie Newman, Tonica Hamilton, Debbie Johnson, Gloria Helm,  
Jennifer Jacobs, Freddy Clements, Joyce Tate

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The use of cameras or tape recorders is strictly prohibited.

Please remember that any noise such as whispering, coughing, the rustling of programs, the removing of plastic wrappers on candies or lozenges, the use of pen lights, and the beeping of digital watches and pagers is distracting to performers, and can spoil the performance for other members of the audience.

Latecomers will be seated at the discretion of the House Manager.

Soft drinks will be sold in the lobby during intermission by Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Fraternity to support student scholarships. No refreshments are allowed in the theatre.

We welcome children to the theatre, but please, if they become restless, take them to the lobby immediately. Thank you. Babies in arms may not be admitted.

Children under the age of five will be admitted at the discretion of the house manager.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH THEATRE CAMP - June 10-14

**SOME AMERICANS ABROAD** - June 20-24

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## TASTE OF THE TOWN SUMMER THEATRE 1996

Taste of the Town summer theatre proudly announces its 1996 summer season which will feature an audience participation musical based on the classic tale, **LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD**, adapted by drama graduate, Eric Traynor. The play directed by Mr. Traynor, will run July 15-20 and 22-26 at Stone Center. The first offering of the dinner theatre season will be Bernard Slade's comedy, **ROMANTIC COMEDY**, which will run July 11-14 and 18-20 at Leone Cole Auditorium. The second of our dinner theatre shows will be Herb Gardner's comedy, **A THOUSAND CLOWNS**, which will run July 25-28 and August 1-3, also at Leone Cole Auditorium. As in the past, Marriott, Corp will present an all-you-care-to-eat buffet.

Brochures are located in the lobby or for further information please call 205 -782-5648 or write to: Taste of the Town JSU Summer Dinner Theatre, 700 Pelham Road, North, 339 Stone Center, Jacksonville, AL 36265.

### *1996-1997 Theatre Season*

#### *Bus Stop*

October 10-14

#### *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

November 19-24

#### *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*

February 13-16 and 20-23

#### *To Kill A Mockingbird*

The 6th Annual Alpha Psi Omega Scholarship Production  
Part of KALEIDOSCOPE festival of the fine arts - March 13-17

#### *Mole Hill*

Winner of 1996's Southern Playwrights Competition - May 22-25

#### *Design for Living*

June 19-23

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