



**BRITON FERRY
LITTLE THEATRE**



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**Community Hall
Briton Ferry**

AN *J. B. Priestley's*
**INSPECTOR
CALLS**
directed by
Donna Richards

Thursday, Friday & Saturday
September
16, 17 & 18 2004

Curtain Up 7.30 pm

Programme 30p



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Chairman's Address

Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen and a very warm welcome to you all. For the first production of our 2004-5 season we are proud to present J. B. Priestley's timeless classic, *An Inspector Calls*.

I extend a sincere thanks to the director Donna Richards and her cast for their hard work and dedication in making this challenging and thought provoking play possible. Thanks also to Gareth Richards for designing and building such an impressive and unique set to compliment the production. I also extend a warm welcome to newcomer Sally Clutton-King making her debut - hopefully her first of many productions.

A familiar face missing from this production, through illness, is Don Pugh. I'm sure you would all like to join me and the members of the Theatre in sending our best wishes to him for a speedy recovery.

Lastly my thanks to you, our faithful patrons, for your continued support.

Joyce Harding

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Arthur Birling
Ferry Rees

Gerald Croft
Russell Workman

Sheila Birling
Lynda Keneally

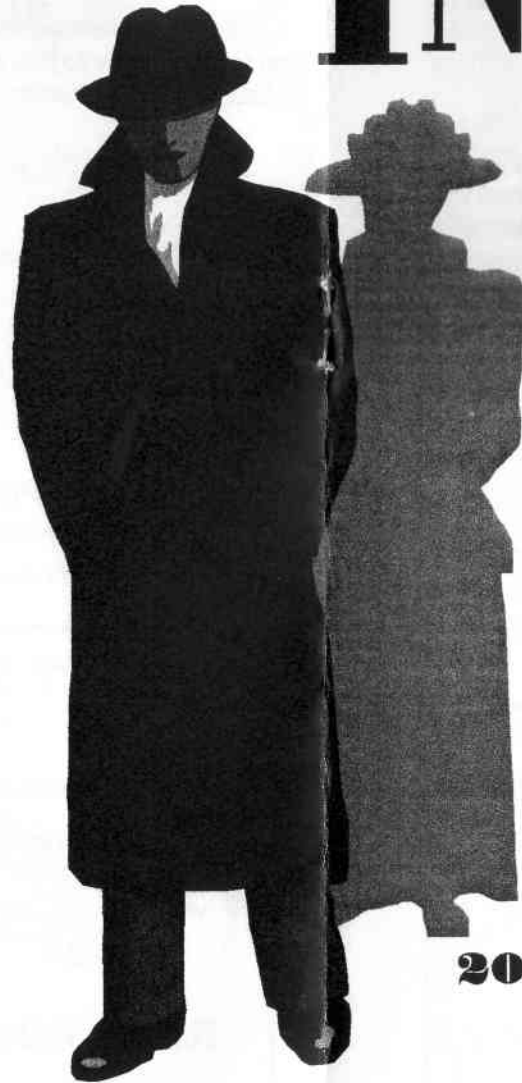
Sybil Birling
Sue Grant

Edna
Sally Clutton-King

Eric Birling
Gareth Rees

Inspector Goole
Gareth Richards

other parts played by
LUCY GRANT, KATIE GREENER,
GILLIAN MURPHY, CATRIN WALLACE
and BETHAN WORKMAN



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A Play in Three Acts

The action passes in the dining room of the Birling's house in Brumley, an industrial city in the North Midlands, on an evening in spring 1912.

**There will be an interval of
20 minutes between Acts One and Two**

Welcome to this evening's performance of *An Inspector Calls*. This play has always been of special importance to me. I first came across it as a fifteen year old at school, (the place where most people first discover it). I fell in love with the play immediately and it had a long lasting effect on me. As the Inspector says in the play when Mrs Birling tells him he has made an impression on her daughter, "We often do on the young ones. They're more impressionable."

Director's Notes

When the play was revived by the National Theatre in 1992. I was delighted. I had heard that Stephen Daldry's version of the play was "different," but I had no idea how different. The production showed that the issues Priestley spoke of in the original are still relevant today. I think you will find that our production has been inspired by this innovative performance.

For those of you not familiar with the themes of the play, Priestley is giving us a warning about the future. He was a devout Socialist and was concerned that society was falling apart. He felt that each individual is responsible for everyone else. We are part of the same community and have responsibilities for every person we come into contact with. He thought that if we did not learn this message, the human race would destroy itself. An interesting comparison here, I feel, is a quote by Margaret Thatcher, taken from a magazine article and dated 31st October 1987. In it, she says, "There is no such thing as society. There are individual men and women, and there are families." Compare this to Arthur Birling's speech. I'll let you draw your own conclusions.

The rehearsals have been exciting and interesting, with much discussion about characters and symbolism. I sincerely hope you enjoy this evening's performance as much as we have enjoyed bringing it to you and that it gives you something to take away with you and think about.

Donna Richards

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Mr. Brian Evans, Caretaker, for his cheerful, willing co-operation and help.

Briton Ferry Little Theatre always welcome new members both on and behind stage. If you feel that you have a talent that you can offer, whether it be acting, design, backstage work or any other "artistic" talent, then we would love to have you on board.

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