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AN IDEAL HUSBAND



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| Narrator.....                 | Lee Briggs      |

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## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

**Alyssa Moore** (*Mrs. Cheveley*) is so happy to be a part of this lovely cast. She was most recently seen in T&C's virtual production of Peter Pan, where she was able to share the screen with her husband and 4 year old son. Her last role on the actual stage of T&C was Mother in A Christmas Story. All her love to Matt and her two little boys, who hopefully don't barge in during this performance.

**Steve Connor** (*Sir Robert Chiltern*) is extremely excited to be making his virtual debut at Town and Country Players. Steve most recently appeared live in "Dealer's Choice" at Players Club of Swarthmore. Steve has appeared in past Players Club of Swarthmore productions of "A Doll's House" and "Angels in America" Parts 1 and 2. He has also appeared in area theatres including The Arden Theatre, Old Academy, Quintessence, SALT and Chapel Street Players. Steve holds a BA in Theatre & Speech from DeSales University. Special thanks and love to Leslie for her everlasting support and a shout out to Chris and Ben.

**Aliza Bardfield** (*Lady Chiltern*) ~ Aliza is thrilled to be making her Town and Country Players debut with this Zoom production of “An Ideal Husband”. Aliza has been active in community theatre in Central Pennsylvania, on and off, for over 20 years. She has appeared in musicals such as “Anything Goes” (Reno Sweeney) and “Annie” (Lily St. Regis), as well as roles in mysteries, comedies, and dramas such as “The Hollow” (Gerda Cristow), “Move Over Mrs. Markham” (Joanna Markham), “Brighton Beach Memoirs” (Kate Jerome,) and “All My Sons” (Kate Keller). She would like to thank Jessica for casting her in this production as well as thanking the entire amazingly talented cast and crew for making her feel so welcome. It’s been a wonderful experience.

**Kevin Palardy** (*Lord Arthur Goring*) is so grateful to be appearing in this Zoom production of "An Ideal Husband"! He had no idea when he did a virtual reading of “The Importance of Being Earnest” last spring as Dr. Chasuble that he'd be doing another Oscar Wilde play so soon... also virtually. Guess this is theater now. These days Kevin continues to put a dent in his various media backlogs, trying out new recipes in the kitchen, and missing a time when Taco Bell wasn't getting rid of its best menu items. Thanks to everyone for your support!

**Caity Logan** (*Miss Mabel Chiltern*) ~ Caity is delighted to be taking part in one of her favorite plays, especially as a huge Oscar Wilde fan. She is honored to be among such a talented cast and grateful for the opportunity to act alongside some of her favorite people, under the guidance of the lovely Jessica Briggs. She has previously been in T&C's online productions of Antigone and Much Ado About Nothing, and directed the virtual performances of Peter Pan. She thanks her parents for helping and supporting her becoming an anglophile and her friends for tolerating that fact.

**Tabitha Borges** (*Lady Markby*) is excited to be working with Town & Country Players Theater as Lady Markby in "An Ideal Husband". However, Tabitha is no stranger to theater. Tabitha has performed in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" as Quince at HAPAC. "Fires The Mirror" as Rifkah at Whittaker Center. For the past 7 seasons she has performed as Harriet Haddock the Fishmonger at Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire. Tabitha would like to thank her family and friends for all the support.

**David Swartz** (*Earl of Caversham*) is thrilled to be portraying the Earl of Caversham and in great hope of giving his son, Lord Goring, an ideal image of what life will be like once the Earl moves into the spare suite (not that Goring does not already know what he's in for). Thermostats set around 27 degrees Celsius (oh, that is just above 80 for those of you from the “failed colony”), endless accusations of his son's heartlessness, great heaps of marital advice and a diet of such monotonous, flavorlessness that even the worst of cooks would blush to serve it. Here's for an evening of wonderful sneers, preposterous slights and a generous portion of moaning and groaning. Cheers!

**Harriet Zeff** (*Lady Basildon*) Harriet is excited to be part of this zoom adventure with T&C. No stranger to this group, Harriet has performed as Rose in Gypsy and in Working, many moons ago and in Bonnie and Clyde more recently. Also spends fun time behind the scenes. Love to hubby for sharing zoom time!

**Sarah LeClair** (*Mrs. Marchmont*) is so delighted to perform under the direction of Jess Briggs in this very timely reading. Sarah has performed Oscar Wilde plays and readings before, including her favorite role as The Duchess of Berwick in “Lady Windermere’s Fan” at T&C. Love and thanks to everyone who is working so hard, all of the time, on all of the things!

**Joseph Perignat (AKA, THE JOE P.)** (*Vicomte De Nanjac*) After spending years perfecting my New York/Brooklyn accent and appearing as a mobster on both the State Street Players and Town and Country Player stages, I am now working tirelessly on my Frenghish accent. Being tutored by Pepé Le Pew on how to properly present a credible French accent has been rewarding. I look forward to once again appearing with an outstanding cast in this very rich and fun Zoom production of “An Ideal Husband”

**Evan Creedon** (*Phipps/Mr. Montford*) This will be Evan's 2nd time performing for a T&C audience after his debut as William Smith in Murder on the Nile last October. He hopes you enjoy the performance, and many thanks to his friends and family for the constant support!

**Thomas Simkiss** (*Mason*) Tom is thrilled to join the cast of an “Ideal Husband” making his Zoom Acting debut in the role of Mason. Tom is supported by his wife Kelley and his four horsemen of the apocalypse, TJ, Logan, Connor and Ryan cheering him on.

**Eric Raymond** (*Harold/James*) ~ I am excited to be making my Town and Country debut in this virtual production of “An Ideal Husband”.

**Lee Briggs** (*Narrator*) is making his acting debut in An Ideal Husband. Lee, a Business Consultant by day, is also a guitarist who performs with friends and the talented singers at Town & Country. He is so thankful to his friends and family for their love and support, and to his Director/Wife Jessica for insisting on using his English accent for the purposes of Good.

**Jessica Briggs** (*Director*) is so very happy to direct her first Zoom production! Last seen in Pygmalion, Peter Pan and Much Ado About Nothing for T&C on Zoom, it is great to be back as a director! She has also been the official photographer for T&C for the past two seasons. Thank you to her husband Lee, for always being her biggest cheerleader, and to the talented cast for making this a wonderful production!