

DOWNLOAD PDF REAL INSPECTOR HOUND AND AFTER MAGRITTE (PLAY)

Chapter 1 : The Real Inspector Hound / After Magritte : Our Season : The Barn Theatre

The Real Inspector Hound & After Magritte has ratings and 6 reviews. In these two plays, Tom Stoppard, the author of the memorable success Rosencratz.

Sep 26, Connie Kuntz rated it it was amazing I was going through some books on my bookshelf and saw "After Magritte" by Tom Stoppard tucked in there. My heart skipped backwards a beat and my mind suddenly was 24 years old. I read this play twenty years ago and had forgotten all about it. The moment I found it, I was transported to the same dusty, sunny apartment where I read so many plays. I shook myself out of my memory, which was really not a clear memory, more of a feeling, and told the kids I just found a short play about Rene Magritte I was going through some books on my bookshelf and saw "After Magritte" by Tom Stoppard tucked in there. I shook myself out of my memory, which was really not a clear memory, more of a feeling, and told the kids I just found a short play about Rene Magritte and, "May I read it to you? He requests it every week. The play is about interpretation. Each character sees the same man on the street after they visited the Magritte exhibit at the Tate Gallery. Each character describes the man in a different way. Reginald Harris is 40, his wife is a bit younger, and has her hair "expensively up. The set is simply surreal. A window upstage where all of the light comes in. A lamp hanging from the flies, counterbalanced by a bowl of fruit. And then the PC come. Here are the interpretations of the man from the perspective of the husband and wife: So I choose in the quickly written review to just say this: Stoppard is the master of stage directions. There is much humor about blame, marriage, balance, and bullets slugs in this play. It is an old-fashioned play. The word nigger is used. The word Arab is used. Butter is used to put on a burn. Stuff like that that deserves discussion and interpretation beyond this tiny review written way too fast. I loved reading this with the kids. It felt strange to read them a play I read to myself so many years ago. I put notes in the margin back then. It was peculiar to read out loud to them and have them ask the same questions I wrote in the margins in We looked all that stuff after we read it and had a very intriguing couple of hours because of it. Thank you Tom Stoppard and Rene Magritte!

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Chapter 2 : The Real Inspector Hound - Wikipedia

Real Inspector Hound- What a wonderful piece of work by Stoppard. Weird, yet very interesting and funny. Full of humour and twists and turns. A very original idea.

The paradoxes about art and reality are much simpler and more superficial in these early plays than one finds in his recent, almost elegiac works. A number of very funny lines and even some stage business are missed by having things move along too quickly. She does, however, manage the transition smoothly from the critics watching the play to actually being in the play. She also makes sure that the acting style of the two critics is clearly different from the intentionally hokey acting of those in the play within the play. Sapp is especially good as the critic Birdboot, who reveals more about his womanizing the more he tries to deny it. Andrew Lakin as Moon, the frustrated substitute reviewer, is excellent at portraying the would-be intellectual, able to read any meaning to any material no matter how trivial. Both make the most of showing their amazement at suddenly finding themselves on stage. The characters of the play within the play are all caricatures, but some are captured better than others. Peggy Wrightson is hilarious as Mrs. Drudge, the maid of the Muldoon Manor, who can manage to clean a whole drawing room without noticing a corpse under the settee. George Joyce perfectly captures the typical Colonel Mustard role of Magnus, a wheelchair-bound curmudgeon. Linda Bush is very fine as Cynthia, the grand lady of the house, who is as concerned with her appearance as with anything she says. On the other hand, both Matt Lancaster as Simon, the mysterious philanderer, and Elana Post, as Felicity, the woman he has thrown over for Cynthia, do not enunciate clearly enough so that all the humour of their lines comes through. Linda Bush and Alan K. Sapp are excellent as the ballroom-dancing husband and wife under investigation. Their scene of bickering while executing a complex tango is the highlight of the play. It is all cleverly topped off with Magritte-inspired curtain calls. Dennis Horn has designed the sets and costumes for both plays. He has wittily dressed the cast of the play within the play in costumes of the early s, suitable for a take-off on an Agatha Christie mystery. Given the three-quarter thrust of the Market Theatre stage, the sets for both plays are simple but effective. Stuart Scadron-Wattles has designed the lighting for both plays.

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Chapter 3 : The Real Inspector Hound: And Other Entertainments - Tom Stoppard - Google Books

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Place and time[edit] While the story is set in a theatre, the play within the play is set in Muldoon Manor, a lavish manor surrounded by "desolate marshes" and "treacherous swamps" and paradoxically also located near a cliff. The manor itself is described as having French windows and a large settee. Birdboot is a theatre critic and a womaniser, who catapults young actresses to stardom by delivering dazzling reviews in return, we assume, for sexual favours. While married to Myrtle, he is having an affair with the actress who plays Felicity in the play within the play. Higgs is the senior critic, Moon is his stand-in. In early versions of the play, this character was called "McCafferty". He takes an instant dislike to Magnus, as they are both in love with Cynthia. Later in the play, Birdboot assumes the role of Simon Gascoyne, and vice versa. She is seemingly sweet and charming, but soon seeks ruthless revenge. She has had an affair with Simon. Takes an instant dislike to Simon, as they are both in love with Cynthia. Inspector Hound appears from outside the house in the middle of the play to investigate an alleged phone call. Moon assumes this role near the end of the play, and vice versa. The other critic, Birdboot, seems to have an interest in the young actress playing Felicity Cunningham. Drudge, gravitates to the radio, oblivious to the corpse, and turns it on just in time for an overly expository police message explaining that police are searching for an escaped madman in the swamps surrounding the manor. Simon, a mysterious young man new in the neighbourhood enters the house, and it is revealed that he has dumped Felicity Cunningham for her friend Cynthia Muldoon, lady of the house. In the audience, Birdboot has mentally done the same. Eventually Inspector Hound from the police force arrives on the scene, apparently searching for the madman, and the company finally notices the body. The company splits up to look for a man of suspicion, when Simon is left alone on stage with the body, he bends over it and seems to recognise the victim, at which point he is shot by an unknown assailant. As they talk, the telephone on stage begins to ring incessantly until Moon cannot stand it any more. Birdboot speaks to her and as he hangs up, the play suddenly starts again and he gets trapped in it, mistaken for Simon, leading to his inevitable demise as he executes the role to its end, just after recognising the dead body onstage as Higgs, the first string critic who was unavailable that night. Major Magnus accuses Moon of being the madman, since he is not the real Inspector Hound, and he tries to run but Magnus shoots him. Moon, however, also recognises him as third-string critic Puckeridge, who will now become the first-string as both Higgs and Moon are out of the way.

Chapter 4 : After Magritte | Samuel French

History. Tom Stoppard wrote After Magritte during the period of his well-known plays Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead and The Real Inspector Hound. Stoppard was already well-established as a writer of stage, radio, and television plays.

Chapter 5 : The Real Inspector Hound/Black Comedy is Variety

Like After Magritte, The Real Inspector Hound is a detective parody; the twist here is to blur the lines between audience, reviewer, cast and character. The "mystery," such as it is, is irrelevant.

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The Real Inspector Hound is the ultimate country-house whodunit; After Magritte attempts to explain the inexplicable; NewFound-Land chronicles an American's attempt to become a British citizen; Dirty Linen is a daring political farce; and Dogg's Hamlet, Cahoot's Macbeth wickedly subverts Shakespeare.

Chapter 7 : The Real Inspector Hound | Samuel French

He wrote his first play, Enter a Free Man, whilst working as a journalist in Bristol. His plays include Rosencrantz And Guildenstern Are Dead, The Real Inspector Hound, After Magritte, Jumpers, Travesties, Every Good Boy Deserves.

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The Real Inspector Hound, much like Stoppard's earlier play Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead, examines the ideas of fate and free will, as well as exploring the themes of the 'play within a play'. Stoppard's play is an example of absurdism as well as farce, parody, and satire.

Chapter 9 : The Real Inspector Hound (Play) Plot & Characters | StageAgent

Really enjoyed 'The Real Inspector Hound' and 'After Magritte.' All of the plays were clever and funny, meta and purposefully playing with the conventions of theatre, language, art, and life, but the first two, to me at least, were the most accessible and enjoyable.