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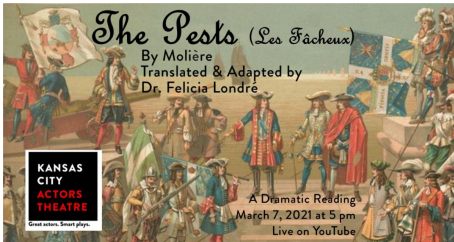
KCAT slates Molière reading

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Announcing A Virtual Reading of Molière's "The Pests" on March 7th



Kansas City Actors Theatre presents a virtual performed reading of Molière's "The Pests" in a new translation and adaptation from Dr. Felicia Londré with an all-star cast of Kansas City actors!

In his 1661 comedy, "Les Fâcheux" (The Pests), Molière, one of history's greatest playwrights, dared to mock the hangers-on at the court of France's Louis XIV. The resulting play pleased the king so much that he granted the use of the Palais Royal Theatre in Paris and often requested repeat performances. "The Sun King" even suggested an additional type of pest to be added, a request Molière obliged with a new character. Surprisingly, this airy little garden-set trifle still has the ring of truth in those who would be adjacent to power some 360 years later!

Featuring Kansas City actors Matt Schwader, Sam Cordes, Bri Woods, Vi Tran, Matt Williamson, RH Wilhoit, Meredith Wolfe, Ashley Pankow, Coleman Crenshaw, Robert Gibby Brand, Josh Gleeson, Chris Roady, Walter Coppage, Greg Butell, and Trevor French. Directed by John Renshouse with Technical Management and Production by Matt Sameck. This live performed reading of "The Pests" will be on Sunday, March 7th at 5 pm online in a [live-stream](#) available on the Kansas City Actors Theatre YouTube page and will continue to be available for viewing through March 11th. More info can be found at www.kcactors.org/the-pests.

This performance is part of "KC Molière: 400 in 2022," a celebration of the 17th Century French playwright and actor, corresponding with what will be his 400th birthday in 2022. More information on the ongoing celebration is available at www.kcmoliere400in2022.com.

Donations in support of "KC Molière: 400 in 2022" can be made at www.kcmoliere400in2022.com/donate.html.

Use the button below to learn more and mark your calendar now to watch "The Pests" on March 7th!

[More Info for "The Pests"](#)



Amplify: BIPOC Edition Submission Deadline Is 2/28!

Kansas City Actors Theatre is holding our first-ever young writers script-writing contest, Amplify! This first round of Amplify is focused mainly on BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, Person of Color) writers at the high school and college level. We're looking for 15-minute radio scripts to be produced for Kansas City Actors Radio Theatre, complete with a cash prize for winners and runners-up. High school-level and college-level submissions will be considered in separate categories and submissions are due by February 28th!

More info and tips are available at www.kcactors.org/young-writers-contest/

So, get writing or help spread the word! More entries means more potential winners!



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