

Showgram

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CUT SHORT

theMDwriter

The Cat Theatre

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Cut Short:

*A Series of
10-Minute Plays*



BY

DR. L. JAN EIRA

About CUT SHORT

Dr. L. Jan Eira, theMDwriter, presents a captivating series of 10-minute short plays, each a microcosm of life's myriad emotions and experiences. From laughter to suspense to tears, these plays offer a rollercoaster of human stories, beautifully woven together in a condensed format. Dr. Jan Eira's exceptional storytelling and vivid characters will leave audiences entertained, deeply moved, and wanting even more.

About theMDwriter

From the playwright who brought you *The Gift*, *Critical Recall*, *Casualty Game*, *Stay Small*, *Last Man*, *Imminent Danger*, *Ambush*, and others comes *CUT SHORT*, a new type of theatrical experience involving a series of short plays, each with its own entertainment value, twists, and emotional rollercoaster.

CUT SHORT - repertoire

Act 1

Scene: If Everyone On Earth Dies, I Can't Graduate!

"Kree" Greta Shambarger
 "Geahovia" Afton Shepard
 "Christian" Ian Marshall-Fisher

Scene: Way Back

"Laura" Afton Shepard
 "Eric" Ian Marshall-Fisher
 "Bruce" Craig Kemp

Scene: Party Shoppe

"Colin" Craig Kemp
 "Delta" Afton Shepard

Scene: What's Up Doc?

"Joel" Craig Kemp
 "Quinn" Barbara LeMay

Act 2

Scene: Monster Inside My Head

"Helen" Barbara LeMay
 "Andrea" Afton Shepard
 "Sam" Greta Shambarger

Scene: Take Me Home, Mr. H

"Rebecca" Afton Shepard
 "Richard" Ian Marshall-Fisher
 "Mr. H" Craig Kemp

Scene: Lethal Tales

"Mike" Craig Kemp
 "Doug" Ian Marshall-Fisher
 "Joan" Barbara LeMay

Scene: Curse Of Count Dicky

"Dr. Rita" Barbara LeMay
 "Dr. Ben" Craig Kemp
 "Dr. Dicky" Ian Marshall-Fisher

The Amazing Cast



Greta Shambarger

Multiple roles

A Westfield fifth-grader, Greta loves being with friends, making YouTube videos, rehearsing for upcoming roles, and performing! Greta most recently played Agnes in Meet Me in St. Louis at Myers Dinner Theatre. Other favorite roles include Lavender in Matilda the Musical at Tipton Community Theatre and Young Violet in It's a Wonderful Life at Beef & Boards.



Craig Kemp

Multiple roles

Craig Kemp has been performing in Indy community theater since 2012. He previously performed in two L. Jan Eira works: Critical Recall at The Cat and the Fringe show: The Last Man. Most recently he was the Narrator in the Zack and Zach production of The Rocky Horror Show, and Marcus Andronicus in the Bardfest production of Titus Andronicus. Originally from the south-east of England, he eventually settled in Indianapolis. He wishes to thank family and friends for their support and encouragement.



Ian Marshall-Fisher

Multiple roles

Ian has been an actor and designer for various theatres around the Indianapolis area. Most recently he appeared as Jack in Shy (the Musical!) with IndyFringe, Prince Ben in Disney's Descendants at the CAT in Carmel, Axel Magee in Don't Drink the Water and in The Laramie Project at Center Stage Community Theatre, and Gilligan in Gilligan's Island: The Musical at The Belfry Theatre. Recent Scenic Designs include The Spitfire Grill, Night Must Fall, and Of Mice and Men with Mainstreet Productions, The Lilies of the Field and Drinking Habits with the Belfry Theatre, and True West with Carmel Community Players. Outside of theatre, Ian works as a Regional Director of Human Resources for a prominent hotel company. In his free time he enjoys playing Pokémon with his nieces, spending time with family, traveling to new places with his husband, DéJon, and decorating their house!



Afton Shepard

Multiple roles

Afton has been honored to work with this talented group since her last appearance in *The Last Man* (Erica) in 2019. She has been seen in various film and theatre productions. Most recently seen on the daytime television show *The Way I Heard It* in the featured role of Peg Entwistle. Afton's love of classical theatre, comedy, and Shakespeare influences her dynamic acting style. She enjoys roles that take her outside her comfort zone and is always open to exploring new exciting roles and varying genres. She works as the Activities Coordinator at Northridge Gracious Retirement Living in Fishers. Favorite roles include *Angels in America* (The Angel), *Richard II* (King Richard), *Antony and Cleopatra* (Cleopatra), *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Hippolyta/Titania), *Boeing Boeing* (Gloria), *Doubt* (Sister James), *A Chorus Line* (Val), *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Janet), and *All Shook Up* (Sandra). Follow Afton at @shepardafton.



Barbara LeMay

Multiple roles

After 20 years of singing opera with great satisfaction but astonishingly minimal fame and wealth, Barbara began trying her hand at straight theatre with the role of Betty Dunlap in *The Wild Women of Winedale* at Epilogue Players Theatre in 2021, followed later by Crystal Hart in *The Hallelujah Girls*. So far so good. Favorite opera roles have been *Prince Charmant-Cendrillon*, *Mother-Amahl* and *the Night Visitors*, *Charlotte-Werther*, *Suzuki-Madama Butterfly*, *Prince Orlofsky-Die Fledermaus*, *Lucretia-The Rape of Lucretia*, *Aurelia-The Chocolate Soldier*, and the mezzo soloist in *Little Match Girl Passion* by David Lang. She has also appeared as *Lady Bertram* in *Mansfield Park*, *Sarah* in *Hagar*, *Polinesso* in *Ariodante*, *La Zia Principessa* in *Suor Angelica*, *Bersi* in *Andrea Chenier*, *Zweite Dame* in *Die Zauberflöte*, *Zita* in *Gianni Schicchi*, *Gertrude* in *Hansel and Gretel*, *Dame Quickly* in *Falstaff*, and in the world premieres of *Oration* and *Central Park*.

The Creative Team



Kristin Montgomery

Assistant Director & Stage Manager

Kristin is excited to be working with Dr. L. Jan Eira and Aaron Henze again! She recently assistant directed and stage managed "No Hope Rope" and L Jan Eira's "The Ambush", recently worked tech for 48 hour live televised We Care Telethon, and has loved being involved in theatre and musical theatre for over 20 years. She has also been acting in, directing, and editing local films for more than 10 years.



Aaron Henze

Director

Aaron Henze is honored to work with Dr. L Jan Eira for the fifth time (Critical Recall, Curse of Count Dicky, Last Man, Ambush). As a full-time actor, director, and producer, Aaron is passionate about promoting local original work to help grow the local theatre scene. Other Cat credits include Opening Hank (Assistant Director/Stage Manager), The Masks We Wear (Assistant Director), and Broadway and Beyond (Producer). Aaron also works with the interactive social issue theatre company ACT Out, IU Health, Butler, and Dinner Detective. Huge thanks to Noelle and his family and friends, the cast and crew, and the Sanctuary on Penn!



Dr. L Jan Eira, theMDwriter

Playwright

Dr. Louis Janeira, pen name L. Jan Eira (theMDwriter), is a cardiologist at Franciscan Health Network in Indianapolis, Indiana. Given his lifelong love of the performing arts, he began pursuing his writing career first as a novelist in 2010. He first wrote and published 6 medical mysteries and thrillers and later began to write plays. His plays have been staged in central Indiana and elsewhere, including Off-Off Broadway, and include The Ambush, Casualty Game, Critical Recall, The Last Man, The Curse of Count Dicky, The Gift, Imminent Danger and Stay Small. He is blessed to have found this amazing group of actors and directors and hopes you will enjoy Cut Short, a bunch of his 10-minute plays all in one.



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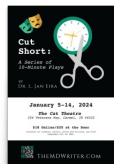
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