

The Murder Game

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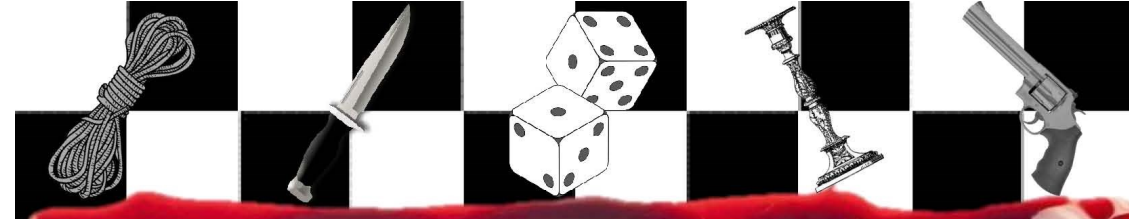
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MURDER

A thriller by
Constance Cox
Directed by
Maureen Coleman

Game

Thu. 11, Fri. 12, Sat. 13, Thu. 18, Fri. 19,
Sat. 20 April 2024 at 7.30pm
Sun. 14 April at 2.00pm (matinee)



1 Snow Wright Court,
Andergrove

<https://events.humanitix.com/the-murder-game>



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THE DIRECTOR



MAUREEN COLEMAN

Your entertainment at Kucom tonight is a thriller and I would like to sincerely thank the cast and crew for their hard work and dedication to this production.

Also my heartfelt thanks to Kath Evans, who stepped in at very short notice to co-direct with me, her help has been invaluable.

I hope that you all enjoy something a little different with our play this evening. It has been a while since Kucom produced a thriller, so sit back, enjoy and

let the 'Game' begin!

Maureen Coleman
Director

THE PLAYWRIGHT



British scriptwriter and playwright **CONSTANCE COX** specialised in adaptations of books by Charles Dickens and other classic literature (*Vanity Fair*, *Northanger Abbey*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *Wuthering Heights*), and was one of the first writers to adapt for television (*Bleak House*, *Oliver Twist*). Her television credits include *The Forsyte Saga* (1967), *The*

Franchise Affair (1962) and *The Herries Chronicle* (1960). Her many stage adaptations included *The Picture of Dorian Gray* (1948), *Northanger Abbey* (1949), *The Count of Monte Cristo* (1949), *Mansfield Park* (1950), *The Woman in White* (1952), *Lord Arthur Savile's Crime* (1952), *Quo Vadis* (1955) and *Wuthering Heights* (1974). In 1967, the Mackay Community Theatre (which later became Kucom Theatre) staged a production of her comedy thriller *Lord Arthur Savile's Crime*, based on a short story by Oscar Wilde.

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WHAT'S NEXT AT KUCOM?

July 2024

The Appleton Ladies' Potato Race

by Melanie Tait

directed by Luana Royle

A Mackay Festival of Arts Fringe Event

Season dates: 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27 July

EARLY BIRD bookings open Monday 6 May

October 2024

Family Values

by David Williamson

directed by Kristyn Everett

Season dates: 24, 25, 26, 27, 31 October & 1, 2 November

EARLY BIRD bookings open Monday 12 August

Happy Hour and Members Draw

23 February	29 March	26 April	31 May
28 June	30 August	27 September	29 November

Watch the Kucom Facebook page for **audition notices** and more details as they come to hand

For updates on these and other forthcoming Kucom events, please visit the Kucom website, or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter:

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THE CAST

**Brian Hamilton
Sheila Hamilton
Gerry Stephens
June Maitland**

Dennis Rozekrans
Carolyn Roche
Michael Brennan
Lani Seaton

There will be a 20-minute interval between Act I and Act II, during which the bar will be open for refreshments

THE PRODUCTION TEAM

**Director
Co-Director
Stage Manager
Lighting / Sound**

Maureen Coleman
Kath Evans
Amanda Lewis
Hayley Long, Asta Ryan,
John Irvine

**Props / Costumes
Costumes**

Amanda Lewis
Kath Evans,
Maureen Coleman, the Cast
John Irvine, Kath Evans,
Maureen Coleman,
Amanda Lewis

Set Design

Set Construction

John Irvine, Carolan Hill,
Cast/Crew

**Set Painting
Graphic Design / Social Media
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Program
Front of House Manager**

Maureen Coleman, Cast/Crew
Hayley Long
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DENNIS ROZEKRANS is originally from Amsterdam, Netherlands. Since moving to Australia in 2013, he has been a strong supporter of the local arts community and has been found working hard behind the scenes for local gigs and productions. Dennis made his acting debut as

Tripp Davenport in *Five Women Wearing the Same Dress* (Kucom, 2021), and the following year featured as Reverend David Marshall Lee in *The Foreigner* (Kucom, 2022). More recently, Dennis has been part of the film crew for Woodford Folk Festival 2023/2024 and a handyman in the construction of the set of *The Murder Game*. He has enjoyed the process of learning, rehearsing, building and performing alongside others.



CAROLYN ROCHE joined Kucom when she arrived in Mackay in 2006. She started in the shadows (but an important part) by helping behind the bar as well as in the box office, dabbling with doing props and costumes. In 2007, she had a small part (all five lines!) and she

also tried her hand at being the stage manager – which she has done a few of times over the years. Carolyn has been on stage in at least one production every year and continues to help in the shadows in the other productions. She has had many roles including: a belly dancer, a flower girl, a pregnant 20ish woman, a 70+ widow and a ‘second’ wife – twice! She is excited to be working with people who have become her friends –

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MICHAEL BRENNAN Michael Brennan relocated to Mackay for his work as a barber in 2022. He has dabbled for some years in performance art and other creative pursuits including dance and singing. Seeking new challenges he decided on community theatre, debuting on the Kucom stage last year in *Perfect Wedding*. *The Murder Game* is his fourth consecutive production with Kucom. Michael has thoroughly enjoyed learning about the behind the scenes of theatre, the experience of experimenting with different roles, giving life to the characters and finding a sense of community within the Kucom family. One of his greatest pleasures is bringing joy to others, and he hopes to achieve that for each and every audience in house for *The Murder Game*!



LANI SEATON is excited to be part of *The Murder Game*. Having made her Kucom debut as the bride in *Perfect Wedding* last year, she has got the acting bug now! Lani is currently studying at university full-time towards a Master of Clinical Chiropractic, whilst working part-time and doing theatre as a hobby. She has loved working on this show, and hopes you enjoy watching it as much as she has enjoyed helping to create it.