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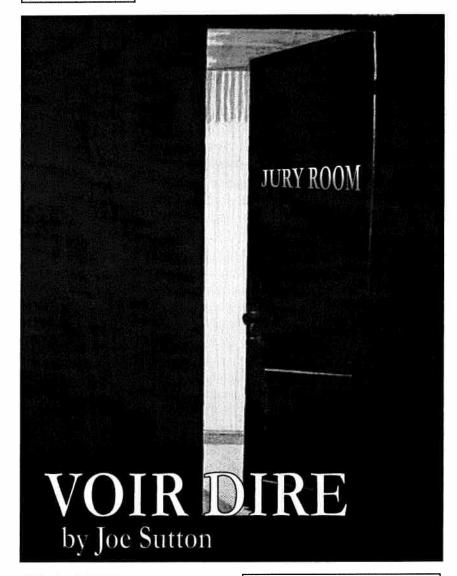
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Studio 201 Series





Studio 201 Feb. 23—Mar. 5, 2006 4th Season 11th Production

Voir Dire by Joe Sutton

The Production Team

Director Valerie Curtis-Newton

Stage Manager Diana Roe

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Technical Assistance Juniper Shuey

Lighting Designer | Junaid Malik

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Bryant, Amanda Hauk, Thomas Heasley, Kristina Helendi, Naomi Kieser, Ashley Lendzion, Elyse Michaels, Laine Mullen, Jessica Stein, Spencer Thomas, Steve

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The Cast

Janice Amaya ... Teresa Marquez

Brandon Petty* ... Michael Kessler

April Wolfe* ... Gloria Neiman

Christina Nicolaou* ... Isobel Puchinski

Maythinee Washington* ... Debra Whatley

Katharine McLeod* ... Faith Stewart Hubbard

Benjamin Elterman ... Court Officer

Production Notes

From the Director

An official instruction given to jurors reads:

NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF THE JURY

Jurors are reminded of the solemn obligation upon them not to reveal, in any circumstances, to any person, either during the trial or after it is over, anything relating to it which occurs in this room while they have been considering their verdict.

Written in 1992, before O.J. and the other high visibility trials of the 1990's, *Voir Dire* imagines what we might learn if in fact jurors did talk. What might we learn not only about how justice really works, but also about how we bridge differences to reach consensus on difficult issues? My interest in the play is that it encourages us to ask the same, still relevant questions. Though there still may be no answers, the examination alone is a worthy undertaking.

-Valerie Curtis-Newton

About the Author

Joe Sutton's plays include *The Third Army, As it is in Heaven, Restoring the Sun,* and *Democracy.* His work has been produced by New York Theatre Workshop, BAM, Long Wharf, Old Globe, as well as other theaters around the country and abroad. He was a winner of the FDG/CBS playwriting award, was the recipient of playwriting fellowships from the New York Foundation for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts, and was, for many years, an active member of New Dramatists, which honored him with their annual Joe A. Calloway Award. In addition, his play *Voir Dire*, which premiered at Seattle Rep, was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize and the Best Play Award of the American Theatre Critics Association. Mr. Sutton teaches at Dartmouth College while maintaining his home in Montclair, NJ, where he lives with his wife, Anne, and their sons, James and Nicholas.

<u>Setting</u>

The play takes place in July of 1993

Prologue

Act I, II — Jury Room

Act III- Motel Room

Act IV — Jury Room

Fifteen Minute Intermission

Act V — Jury Room

Act VI — Motel Room

Act VII — Jury Room

Epilogue

Special Thanks

Kim Powell

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