

For immediate release

The Man Who Had All The Luck

By Arthur Miller

Directed by
John Dove

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Weinberger Limited

16 January – 14
February 2009



“Isn’t it better to feel that what you have come to you because of something you can do?”

Set during the Depression, Miller’s moral drama examines the American Dream and questions how one man can fail while another, though no more capable, can prosper in life.

The play centres upon David Beeves, who is seemingly immune to disaster and wonders when his luck will run out. His good fortune seems to highlight the tragedies of those around him as he tries desperately to find justification for his successes. David’s futile quest for a validation of his identity results in a deepening paranoia that questions the existence of God and meaning of life.

Despite encompassing the same great creativity and values identified in his other masterpieces, the *Man Who Had all the Luck* remained one of Miller’s least known plays until it was revived in 2000 and staged thereafter in several theatre productions.

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Royal Lyceum Theatre Edinburgh

Wednesday, 10 December 2008

Talented director John Dove, whose previous acclaimed productions at the Lyceum include Miller's *All My Sons* (2007) and *Death of a Salesman* (2004), leads on the creative team in the Lyceum's first show of the spring season.

A strong cast including Andrew Vincent (*The Winter's Tale*, Globe Theatre), Peter Harding (*Henry V*, Royal Exchange), Richard Addison, Greg Powrie and Isabella Jarrett (*Faust Part 1 & 2*) join with Philip Cumbus (*A Month in the Country*, Salisbury Playhouse) who will be playing the lead role of David Beeves. The Lyceum also welcome back Kim Gerard and Perri Snowdon from *Mary Rose*, who will be playing Hester Falk and Amos Beeves, Matthew Pidgeon (*The Wizard of Oz*, *Vanity Fair*) as Shory, and Ron Donachie (*Six Characters in Search of an Author*) as Patterson Beeves.

Cast:

David Beeves

Shory

JB Feller

Andrew Falk and Augie Belfast

Patterson Beeves

Amos Beeves

Hester Falk

Dan Dibble

Gustav Ebersson

Aunt Belle

Philip Cumbus

Matthew Pidgeon

Andrew Vincent

Peter Harding

Ron Donachie

Perri Snowdon

Kim Gerard

Richard Addison

Greg Powrie

Isabella Jarrett

Director

Designer

Lighting Designer

John Dove

Michael Taylor

Jeanine Davies

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NOTES FOR EDITORS:

Press night: Saturday 17 January at 7.45pm

PERFORMANCES:

Performances: 16 January – 14 February

Evenings: Tuesday – Saturday at 7.45pm

Matinees: 21, 24, 28, 31 January and 4, 7 February at 2.30pm

First Look Friday (preview performance) sponsored by *The List*: Friday 16 January at 7.45pm – all tickets £5 – on sale now!

Pre-show talk: Tuesday 20 January at 6pm – tickets £3 / under 18s free

Post-show discussion with members of the cast: Tuesday 27 January (FREE)

Audio described performances: Thursday 29 January at 7.45pm & Saturday 31 January at 2.30pm

Touch Tour for the visually impaired: Saturday 31 January at 12.30pm

BSL signed performance: Wednesday 4 February at 7.45pm

TICKETS:

Evening performances (full price): £12 - £26

Matinee Performances: Wednesday and Saturday Matinees £15

Concessions: £2 off full price for all Tuesday – Thursday shows

Under 18s: Half Price any performance

School Groups: £7.50 (stalls & grand circle). £6.50 (upper circle). Matinees – all seats £6.50. One teacher free with every ten pupils.

Registered unemployed: (Tues – Thurs) half price in advance, £1 tickets available on the day (max 20, stalls only). ID required.

Students/ people with disabilities: Half price (excludes First Look Fridays), £5 for Wed matinees. Wheelchair spaces are available in the stalls boxes. Students – full time only – ID required.

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Groups: 8+ £3 off each ticket (matinees £2 off); 20+ £4 off each ticket (matinees £3 off) plus one free ticket.

To book tickets please call our box office on 0131 248 4848 or book online at www.lyceum.org.uk. For group bookings of 8+ please call 0131 248 4849.

For press enquiries and to arrange press tickets please contact Melissa Clarke, Press Officer on 0131 248 4822 or email: mclarke@lyceum.org.uk

