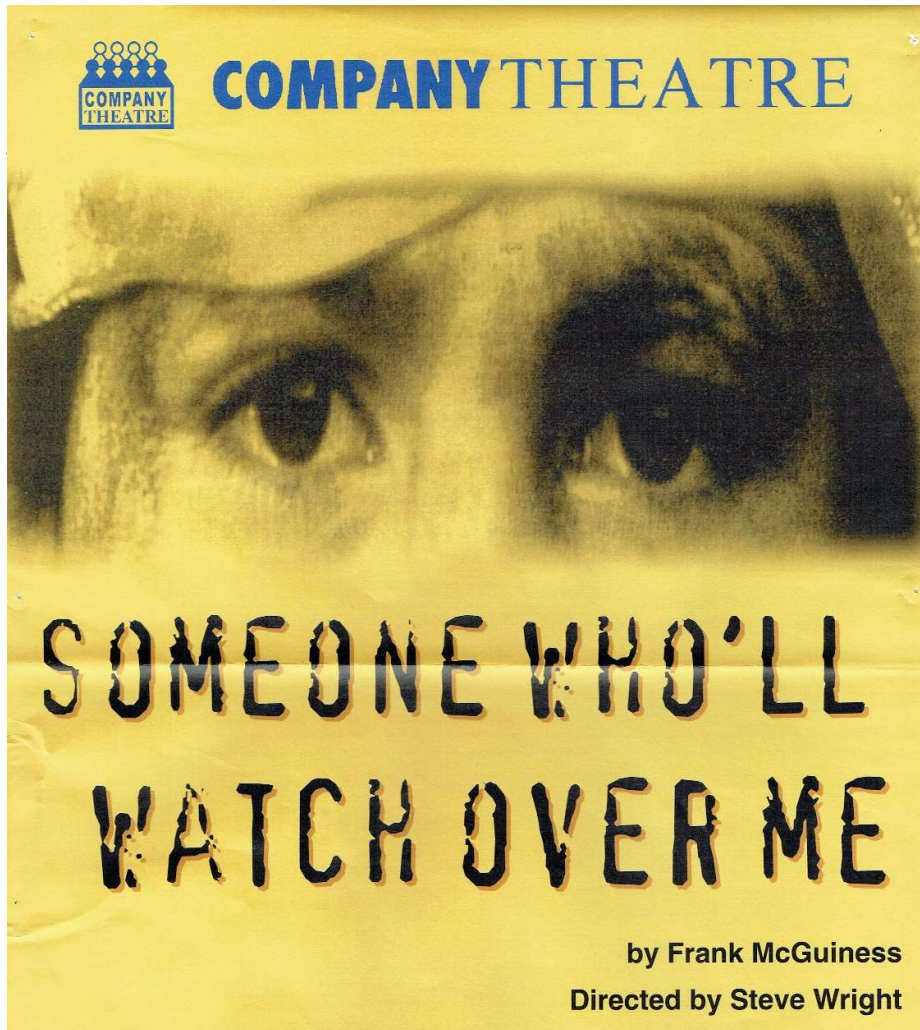


COMPANY THEATRE



**SOMEONE WHO'LL
WATCH OVER ME**

by Frank McGuiness
Directed by Steve Wright

29th March - 12th April, 2008 @ 8pm
Matinee 6th April @ 2pm

At The Rose Centre Theatre, School Road, Belmont
Bookings 445 9900 or Email rosecentre@xtra.co.nz
Tickets \$20 \$15 concession
www.companytheatre.co.nz

CAST PROFILES

Jonathan Hope

Jonathan has been involved in theatre for about 7 years, his debut being Feuilly in "Les Miserables" at the Bruce Mason Centre. Since then career highlights include Fredrick in "The Pirates of Penzance", Smiler in "Once on Chunuk Bair" and Lt Daniel Kaffee in "A Few Good Men", which won Best Overall Production and Best Ensemble at the Auckland Community Theatre Trust Awards. This show is a great challenge and very different to most shows Jonathan has done in the past: being chained to a wall; unable to move freely; wearing dirty clothes; being yelled at; mocked; abused; tormented; ridiculed; sneered at and fearful for his life. For starters, most shows have larger casts...

David Blakey

In late 2007, David played the Burgermeister in "Coppelia" at Centennial Theatre. This is the only time that he can recall explaining the plot to an audience without saying a word throughout. He also designed the set. Also, in 2007, at Stables Theatre, he played Sir George Shotter in "South Sea Bubble" and Brendan in "The Weir". In The Weir, Brendan had a Leitrim accent; in this play, Edward is from closer to Dublin. His last 'northern' appearance was as Rex in "Are Ya There?" at TheatreWorks in 2005. He is in a TV commercial for The Warehouse that coincides with this production.

Nicholas Tarling

Nicholas Tarling, former professor of history at The University of Auckland, made his stage debut in "Arms and the Man". Rather more recent roles have included C.S. Lewis in Howick Little Theatre's "Shadowlands" and Giles in "The Crucible" at the Maidment Theatre. His compilation, "Queen Victoria and the Victorians" has been presented at The Rose Centre. He loves music, but not from others' stereos. He swims at Narrow Neck but his heart is no longer in jogging.

AUDITIONS

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Open Auditions for Jeremy Croft's "ALLO 'ALLO"

Directed by Kathy Gent

At 7pm on Monday 21 April 2008 @ The Rose Centre

Phone Kathy on 445 6447

Production Dates: 9 to 23 August 2008



"Someone Who'll Watch Over Me"

By Frank McGuinness

Directed by Steve Wright

Frank McGuinness was moved to write this play after conversations with Bryan Keenan who in 1986 was one of the victims of the political kidnappings so rife in Beirut at that time.

It is the humour in the midst of such a harrowing experience which makes this play so poignantly entertaining. The overall theme is the survival of the human spirit in even the most appalling conditions.

Steve Wright
Director

Steve has previously directed for Company Theatre "*The Memory of Water*", "*Outside Edge*", "*Social Climbers*" and "*Curtain up on Murder*". He was last on stage for Company Theatre in 2007 as Mr Rieper and Mr Gresson in "*Daughters of Heaven*".

While in Oxford he played Stephano in "*The Tempest*" at Trinity College Gardens and Nim in "*The Merry Wives of Windsor*" at Merton College Fellows Garden.

There will be a short interval during the performance

The play is set in a basement room in Beirut, Lebanon

CAST

Adam

Edward

Michael

Jonathan Hope

David Blakey

Nicholas Tarling

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director
Production Manager/PA
Stage Manager
Set Design

Set Construction & Painting

Lighting Design
Lighting and Sound Operator
Properties
Publicity

Poster Design
Photography
Programme
Bar Manager
Bar Staff
Box Office & Front of House

Steve Wright
Lynne Davis
Sheila Stevens
Steve Wright,
Richard Parmée
Richard Parmée,
Steve Wright,
Bob Stevens,
Lynne Davis,
Alastair Fletcher
Scott Thomas
Scott Thomas
Bob Stevens
Nadine Gibson
Kathy Gent &
Lynne Davis
Steve Wright
Sherry Ede
Richard Parmée
Alastair Fletcher
Members of Company
Sue Gross & Members
of Company Theatre

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Thank you to all those unnamed in this programme who contributed to the success of this production!

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Compassionate, tender and humorous play



Watchful...David Blakey, Nicholas Tarling and Jonathan Hope in Someone Who'll Watch Over Me.

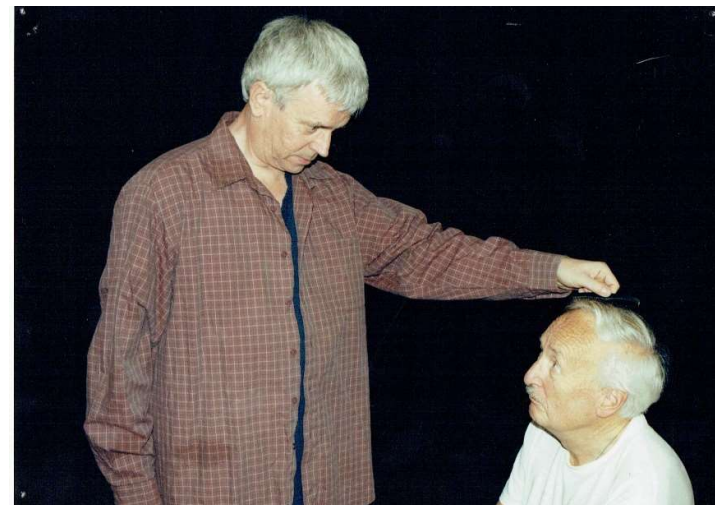
Frank McGuinness was inspired to write the play *Someone Who'll Watch Over Me* after conversations with Brian Keenan, who was a captive in Lebanon for four and half years. This heartrendingly compassionate, tender and tragic but also humorous play is Company Theatre's first production for 2008.

The play tells the story of three men – an Irishman, an Englishman and an American who overcome their cross-national tensions to form close friendships under the appalling strain of captivity.

• *Someone Who'll Watch Over Me* will open at the Rose Centre on Saturday March 29th at 8 pm and runs Wed 2nd– Sat 5th April at 8 pm, with a matinee on Sun 6th April at 2pm, and Wed 9th - Sat 12 April at 8 pm. Bookings can be made by phone – 445 9900.



David Blakey, Nicholas Tarling, Jonathan Hope



David Blakey, Nicholas Tarling