



FACT SHEET

Appropriate

By Branden Jacobs-Jenkins

CAST	
FRANZ	JAMIE SMITHSON*
RIVER	BRIGID WALLACE HARPER*
RHYS	COLE ALEX EDELSTEIN*
TONI	KIMBERLY GILBERT*
RACHAEL	DINA THOMAS*
BO	CODY NICKELL*
CASSIDY	KIRSTEN COCKS, RUBY SPENCER
AINSLEY	BENNETT JOHNSTONE, DAVID SNYDER

YOUNG COMPANY PRESS SCHEDULE

The roles of Ainsley and Cassidy will be played by David Snyder and Kirsten Cocks on Saturday, March 21, at 8:00 PM and Sunday, March 29, at 1:30 PM.

The roles of Ainsley and Cassidy will be played by Bennett Johnstone and Ruby Spencer on Sunday, March 22, at 1:30 PM.

UNDERSTUDIES

Rhys – JEREMY ALLEN CRAWFORD, **Toni/Rachael** – ALISON WEISGALL*, **River/Cassidy** – CARLY DAGILIS,

Bo/Franz – ARI POST, **Ainsley (4/10–4/19)** – HARRISON MORFORD

Understudies never appear for a listed player unless a specific announcement is made at the time of the performance.

CREATIVE TEAM

DIRECTOR	JASON LOEWITH
SCENIC DESIGNER	NADIR BEY
COSTUME DESIGNER	DANIELLE PRESTON
LIGHTING DESIGNER	MAX DOOLITTLE
SOUND DESIGNER	MATTHEW M. NIELSON
FIGHT AND INTIMACY CHOREOGRAPHER	CASEY KALEBA
STAGE MANAGER	ERIKA L. PLACENCIA*
ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER	SAMBA PATHAK*
SENIOR ASSOCIATE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR	HALLIE GORDON
DIRECTOR OF PRODUCTION	JERID FOX

* Member Actors' Equity Association

Previews: **March 18 - 20, 2026**

Invited Press Opening: **Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm or Sunday, March 22, 1:30 pm**

Runs through April 19, 2026

Regular performances are Wednesday-Saturday at 7:30 pm; Matinees on Saturday and Sunday at 1:30 pm. Wednesday matinee on March 25 at 1:30 pm, Friday matinees on April 10 and 17 at 1:30 pm. No Saturday matinee on Saturday, March 21. **Audio-described performance on Wednesday, April 8, at 7:30 pm. Sign interpreted performance on Thursday, April 9, at 7:30 pm.**

Tickets \$47-\$101. Discounts are available for groups, seniors, teachers, active military, first responders, and students. Visit olneytheatre.org/discounts for details.

Purchase via olneytheatre.org/appropriate or 301-924-3400

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Our Universal Theatrical Heritage: The Family Destroyed by Secrets

Saturday, March 21, 5:00 PM

Mulitz-Gudelsky Theatre Lab

\$10/Free for Members

Join us for a Behind-the-Scenes conversation with Artistic Director Jason Loewith (who also directs *Appropriate*) and three veteran DMV actors—Rick Foucheux, Craig Wallace, and Erika Rose—who have tackled some of the American family drama's most iconic roles. How did those plays pave the way for *Appropriate*?

Story Time at the Olney Public Library

Sunday, March 22, 2:00 PM

Olney Public Library

Free, no RSVP required

Story reader: Troy Boddy

Montgomery County Lynching Memorial Project

Sunday, March 22, 2026, 4:00 pm

Mulitz-Gudelsky Theatre Lab

Free

After the matinee of *Appropriate*, join Montgomery County Lynching Memorial Project (MoCoLMP) for a post-show discussion connecting the play's themes to local history and community action.

Genealogy Workshop: Tracing Our Roots

Saturday, April 11, 2026, 4:00 pm

Cafritz Lobby at Olney Theatre Center

Cost: \$10

One of Olney Theatre Center's community partners, the Sandy Spring Slave Museum, has developed extraordinary genealogy tools in its quest to document the rich heritage of African-American families in Montgomery County. Because *Appropriate* deals in genealogy and legacy, we're proud to welcome Sandy Spring Slave Museum back to lead a genealogy workshop led by historian and researcher Natalie Thomas.

Explore History, Inheritance & Legacy Together

Sunday, April 12, 2026, 1:00 pm

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park

Free, no RSVP required

Join Montgomery Parks for the Woodlawn Manor House and Enslaved Persons Tour—an immersive exploration of the complex history of Woodlawn Manor and the lives of the people who lived and labored on its grounds. This guided experience reveals the layered stories of the Palmer family, the grounds and outbuildings of the 19th-century estate, and the broader African American experience in the region, including the lives of enslaved and free Black communities.

Explore the Underground Railroad Experience Trail

Saturday, April 18, 2026, 10:00 AM

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park

Free, no RSVP required

Join Montgomery Parks for a guided hike along the Underground Railroad Experience Trail, where participants will gain an immersive look into the experiences of 19th-century freedom seekers—learning about the navigation techniques, courage, and resilience required to elude detection and find food and shelter on the perilous journey toward freedom. The hike covers approximately two miles through scenic woodlands and fields and includes admission to the Woodlawn Museum. Montgomery Parks.

ABOUT OLNEY THEATRE CENTER

Mission

Olney Theatre Center for the Arts produces and curates theatrical performance for the diverse audiences in our community, and educates, learns from, supports, and inspires a more inclusive generation of theater-makers.

Vision

We strive to become an arts and culture powerhouse, redefining the American regional theater movement by cultivating and sharing the creativity of our community.

History

Founded in 1938 as a summer playhouse, Olney Theatre Center (OTC) now produces world and American premieres of plays and musicals, and reimaginations of familiar titles year-round; presents the work of leading companies and artists; tours nationally and locally; teaches students of all ages; and mentors a more inclusive generation of theatremakers. For more than 8 decades, OTC has brought impactful theater performance and education to our community, helping to grow the vibrancy and vitality of our home in the Washington, DC region.

Over the years, some of the biggest names in theater and film have appeared on our stages, including Tallulah Bankhead, Helen Hayes, Jessica Tandy, Hume Cronyn, Bob Fosse, Phillip Bosco, Eve Arden, Eva Gabor, Burl Ives, Jose Ferrer, Carol Channing, Olivia d'Havilland, Tony Randall, Paulette Goddard, Dorothy and Lillian Gish, Jane Seymour, Anne Revere, Frances Sternhagen, Arthur Treacher, James Broderick, Olympia Dukakis, Sir Ian McKellen, Marica Gay Harden, John Colicos, Uzo Aduba, Alan Cumming, Cheyenne Jackson, Robin de Jesus, Wilson Jermaine Heredia, among many, many others.

Olney Theatre is now the cultural anchor of a rapidly changing region and serves one of the most diverse, best educated, and wealthiest counties in the country. Situated on the unceded land of the Piscataway-Conoy people, the Olney area was once a rural farming community with a unique Quaker heritage. Now the area is occupied by every kind of family that makes up 21st Century America, along with major corporations, shopping districts, civic associations, non profit organizations and a diverse collection of houses of worship. Montgomery County's 1 million residents play a dynamic role in the Baltimore-Washington corridor, and are a driving force behind the region's creative economy.

As of September 2021, Olney Theatre Center employed 40 full time staff, 20 part-time positions, 26 early career apprentices and players, and more than 400 professional artists. The Theatre intends to continue expanding to better meet the needs of our community.

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