

"...both Kaufman and Hart gave Broadway not only wit and skill but also integrity."
- Brookes Atkinson, "Broadway"

The 1930s in America were a time of remarkable contradiction and complexity. Bordered loosely on one end by Black Tuesday of the Great Depression and on the other end by the bombing of Pearl Harbor, America was teetering between big government and various regional and social movements, with the depths of the Depression and the height of the Modern Age thrown in for good measure. "You Can't Take It With You" was thus greeted by some with relief as an escape from the harsh realities just outside the theatre. Critics called it "superior fooling," "thoroughly amusing," "winningly tender," "all absurdity," "full of hilarious incongruities and extravagances, without any serious contribution to social or political philosophy."

Winner of the 1936 Pulitzer Prize, George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart's play isn't simply a clever distraction from bad times, though. There is an unquenchable spirit and philosophy at work in the Vanderhof clan: one of living life to the fullest and enjoying the pageant of life as it unfolds, even the most difficult parts.

These days we suddenly find we're living in interesting times again. Markets and politics are demanding furrowed brows. It's important to keep going to the theatre, though, to keep living our lives. As Grandpa says, "It's wonderful what some people go though, isn't it? And still keep kind of gay." or to quote the great American songwriter, Irving Berlin (born in Russia in 1888):

There may be trouble ahead

But while there's music and moonlight and love and romance

Let's face the music and dance

Before the fiddlers have fled
Before they ask us to pay the bill, and while we still have that chance
Let's face the music and dance...

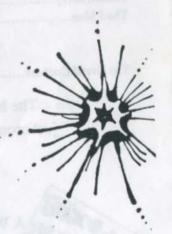
(Follow the Fleet, 1936)

We're glad you came.

You Can't Take It With You

By: Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman

Director: James Shelby Technical Director: Adam Berns Assistant Director: Niamh Arthur Stage Manager: Neil Satterlund



There will be two ten minute intermissions

Please, no food, drink, flash photography, or beeping or chirping

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CAST:

(In order of appearance)	
Penny Sycamore	Margaret Gordon
Essie Carmichael	Sheila Vand
Rheba	Lilly E. Agerup
Ed Carmichael	Raizin Bob-Waksberg
Paul Sycamore	Brad Harris
Mr. DePinna	Craig Piaget
Donald	Dan Moyer
Martin Vanderhoff (Grandpa)	Reed Newman
Alice Sycamore	Adrienne Papp
Wilbur C. Henderson	Ryan Moin
Anthony Kirby Jr	Alfred Rudolph
Mr. Kolenkhov	Justin Basl
Gay Wellington	
Anthony Kirby Sr	Roger Gordon
Miriam Kirby	Jen Darling
The J Men	Elie Berkowitz
	Kyle Garson
	Jonathan Tarlin
The Grand Duchess	Ashley Windham

The home of Martin Vanderhof, New York, just around the corner from Columbia University.

ACT II A week later. ACT III The next day.

CREW:

Assistant Stage Manager	Alex Mallory
	Jevana Bouquin
	rraine Pfaender, Shannon Jacklin
	Deborah Rosengaus
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	Philip Crompton
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	William Schroeter
	Sarah Anderson
	Megan Coughran
	Eli Isaacs
	arah Anderson, William Schroeter
	Jen Darling
	Lauren Sachs
	Shannon Jacklin
	Lorraine Pfaender
	Peter Kriss
	Pooja Srinivasan
Make-up/Hair Crew	Kyle Garson, Pooja Srinivasan Megan
	Megan Coughran, Jen Darling
Master Carpenter	Max Taylor
Construction Crew	Yasha Kislev
***************************************	Becky Bob-Waksberg
	Davis Liu
	Robert Miller
	Rahul Sethuram
	James Sumpter
Paint Crew	ElanaWenocur Jevana Bouquin
	Megan Coughran, AdrienneLevoy,
	Raizin Bob-Waksberg, Noy Birger
Running Crew	
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ROMEO AND JULIET

BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE,

MARCH 14-23, 2002

STUDENT DIRECTED ONE-ACTS May 16-22-25, 2002

