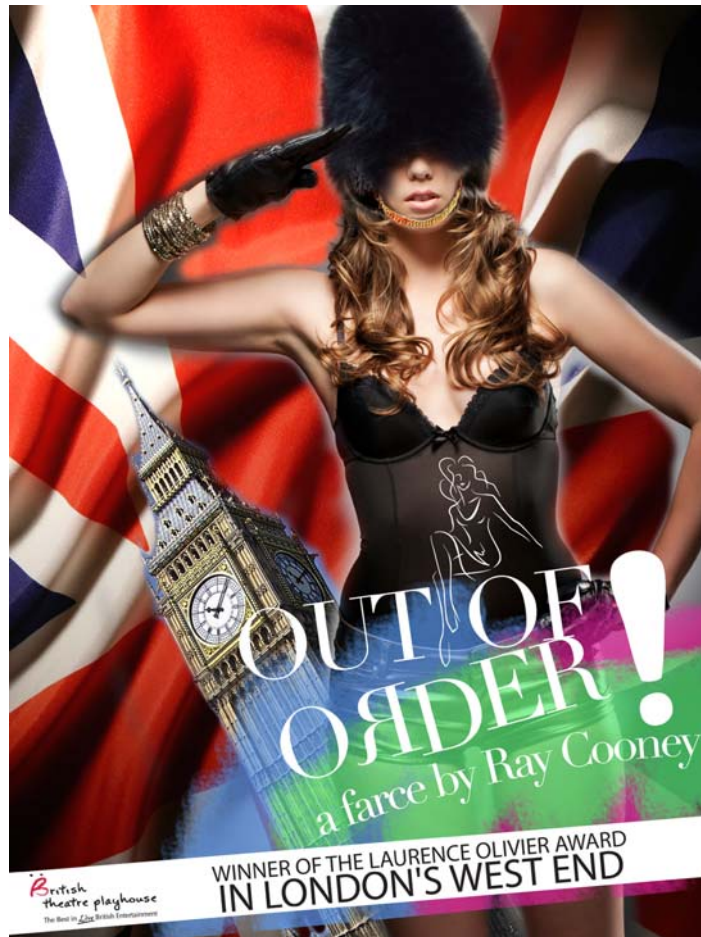


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"OUT OF ORDER" - A FARCE BY RAY COONEY

Winner of the prestigious Laurence Olivier Award for Best Comedy in London's West End



Singapore, January 2012 - If there is one form of theatre guaranteed to delight audiences of all ages, all tastes and all nationalities, then it must be the "Great British Farce"! If there is one contemporary playwright who simply excels in the art of writing the Great British Farce, then it must be Mr. Ray Cooney.

"Run for Your Wife"; "Funny Money"; "One for the Pot"; "Not Now Darling"; "Two Into One"; "Why Not Stay For Breakfast" and "Move Over Mrs Markham", are just a few of the astonishing number of seventeen farces Ray Cooney has presented in London's West End, with huge UK and international success.

In April 2012, Singapore theatre audiences will have the chance to see one of Ray Cooney's most famous and most successful farces, "Out of Order" - winner of the prestigious Laurence Olivier Award for Best Comedy in its original London production and a play that has been presented around the world in over a dozen languages.

“Out of Order” is a quintessentially British farce. Unfaithful husbands caught with their trousers down; cuckolded husbands (and wives!) arriving at the wrong moment, rushing in and out of bedrooms and just missing pretty mistresses in their underwear. An innocent sidekick who has to sort it all out; a bewildered hotel manager caught in the middle of it all; an elderly waiter making money from it all and an uninvited dead body hanging out of the window!

Indeed - a typical day in the life of a Junior Cabinet Minister in a coalition British government (allegedly!) which is what our hero, Richard Willey MP, is! The storyline is simple: can our hero and his beautiful mistress, Miss Jane Worthington (Oh, she’s the secretary to the Leader of the Opposition of course!) get away with spending a naughty night in a smart London hotel in the company of an uninvited dead body hanging out of their hotel room window without anyone knowing?! Who will find them out? Will it be Mrs. Willey or Mr. Worthington?!



The British Theatre Playhouse is proud to present “Out of Order”, their eleventh production in Singapore, opening on Wednesday, 11th April 2012 with a Charity Gala Premiere presented in association with the British Chamber and European Chamber of Commerce to benefit the Business Times Budding Artists Fund. The show will run until the 15th April, 2012 at the Jubilee Hall Theatre at Raffles Hotel Singapore.

With a fully-professional all-British cast from the UK and directed by David Warwick, who appeared in the original West End production and directed the British production for the English Theatre in Vienna, the show offers the very best of British. It’s a rip-roaring farce, packed with slap-stick, eccentric characters and Ray Cooney’s very special view of UK politics. It will have the audience guffawing with laughter!

David Warwick's direction of Ray Cooney's play combines the hysterical acrobatics of "Fawlty Towers" mixed with oddball, scheming, establishment immaturity of "Yes, Minister".

Casting is currently being finalised in London and for further updates, please check our website www.britishtheatreplayhouse.com.

Tickets are now available through SISTIC and prices are:

\$120, \$100 – Friday 13th (8.00pm) and Saturday 14th April (5.00pm & 8.00pm) shows

\$100, \$80 – Thursday 12th (8.00pm) and Sunday 15th April (5.00pm) shows

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About the British Theatre Playhouse

British Theatre Playhouse is a professional theatre production company incorporated in Singapore in 2004 but it is internationally focused with a strong British connection, working closely with established British playwrights, actors, directors, set and costume designers from the UK. The company has produced and presented a series of highly successful British productions in Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Sri Lanka and the UK.

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