## **Director's Notes**

In this dramatized adaption of Edgar Lee Masters' poems titled Spoon River Anthology, Charles Aidman introduces in a cemetery, the ghosts of those who were inhabitants of this town, and whose secrets have gone with them to the grave. There are 60 characterizations and vignettes in this dramatization of the free verse form of Masters. As we move through the evening, the actors will each portray different citizens as they move in and out and through this graveyard in Spoon River.

This production is dedicated to the memory of and in honor of the lessons learned from Helen Kellum (University of Mississippi).

"Oh poo poo hun!"

Upcoming FMU Theatre Productions Hyman Fine Arts Center Theatre

Student Directing One Acts – December 1 & 2 @ 7:30 p.m. – different shows each evening

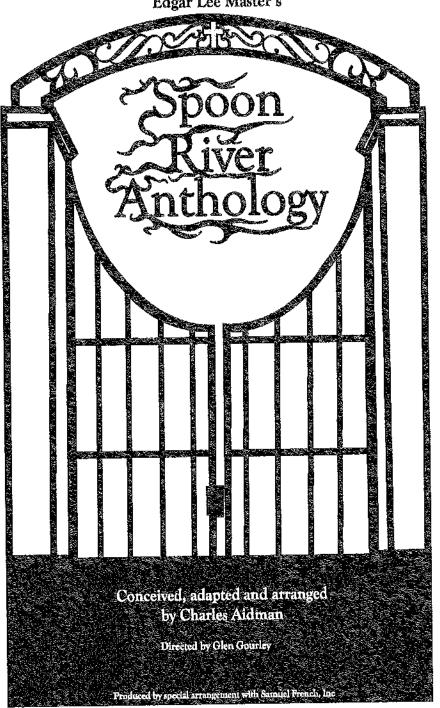
The Fourth Wall by A. R. Gurney – Directed by Dr. Dawn Larsen February 17, 18, & 19, 2011 @ 7:30 p.m.

Three Tales from Japan & Senora Tortuga - Directed by D. Keith Best – April 7 & 8 @ 7:30 p.m.

April 9 as part of the FMU Arts International Festival

Francis Marion University is a fully accredited institution with the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST). The Theatre Program is an organizational member of the South Carolina Theatre Association and the Southeastern Theatre Conference.

Francis Marion University Theatre presents Edgar Lee Master's





## Cast

Matthew Adkins La'Rita Dingle Zach Gladstone Adam J. Grazewski Paniel Price\* Jessica Coleman Michaela Gentry\* Blake Graham Katie Kelley\* Kathleen Turek

## Singer Scarlett Knight\*

Time: during the time of President Abraham Lincoln Location: a graveyard in Spoon River, Illinois

There will be one ten-minute intermission.

The audience is invited to purchase a beverage during intermission to support Alpha Psi Omega, please do not take drinks or food into the theatre.

This play is produced through special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

## Theatre Staff

Professor/Curriculum Coordinator – D. C. Granath Professor/Director of Theatre – A. G. Gourley, Jr. Professor of Theatre – D. K. Best Associate Professor of Theatre – L. D. Larsen Assistant Professor of Theatre – K. E. Horney Student Assistants – Michaela Gentry\*, Kyle Gilley\*, Adam Grazewski, Tori LoPresto, Daniel Price\*

Director
Manos Master Carpenter. Kyle Gilley* Shop Carpenters. Daniel Price*, Adam Grazewski Lead Scenic Artist. D. C. Granath Scenic Artist. Michaela Gentry* Paint Charge. Michaela Gentry* Master Electricians. Zack Salyers*, Kyle Gilley* Costume Shop Forman. K. E. Horney Cutter/Sticher. Tori LoPresto Stichers. Jessica Coleman, Jessica Shoppell Lighting Operator. Kyle Gilley*
Program/Publicity Art

\*- indicates Members of Alpha Psi Omega— The national Dramatic Honor Society Special Thanks to Associate Professor of Visual Communication - Gregory Fry