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# Picasso

at the

## *Lapin Agile*



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VAGABOND PLAYERS PRESENT

# Picasso

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## *Lapin Agile*

by Steve Martin

Directed by Stephen Deininger

### *Cast (in order of appearance)*

Freddy .....	Anthony Rufo
Gaston .....	Peter Wilkes
Germaine .....	Laura Weeldreyer
Albert Einstein .....	Miles Weeks
Suzanne .....	Audrey Brooks
Sagot .....	John Dignam
Pablo Picasso .....	Adrian Bagarić
Charles Dabernow Schmendiman .....	Lucius Robinson
The Countess / A Female Admirer .....	Jess Corso
A Visitor .....	John Sheldon
Understudies .....	Su Kim
	Casey Piparo

### *Setting*

A bar in Paris, 1904

This production will have no intermission.

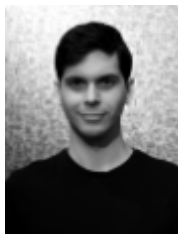
### *Author's Note*

One year later, Albert Einstein published the Special Theory of Relativity.  
Three years later, Pablo Picasso painted "Les Demoiselles D'Avignon."

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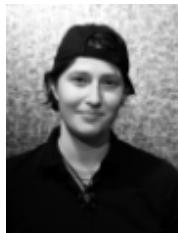
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# Cast Biographies



**Adrian Bagarić** (Picasso) is happy to return to the Vagabond Players stage, this time as Picasso. Recent credits include *Room Service* at Vagabond Players (Leo Davis), *Machinal* at FPCT (Ensemble), and many more in his home country of Croatia where some of his favorite performances include *Sickness of Youth* (Petrell), *The Decameron* (Panphillo), *Ubu Roi* (Captain MacNure) and *The Maids* (The Mistress). He majored in Acting and Puppetry at The Academy of Arts and Culture in Osijek and had two years of training in Classical Antiquity Theatre.

**Audrey Brooks** (Suzanne) is excited for her second production in the world of Baltimore theatre and her first time performing at Vagabond Players! Previously, she played Susannah in *Laughing Stock* at Spotlighters Theatre. Audrey has her BFA in Acting from Towson University where recent credits included Witch/Greek Chorus in *Icarus at the Border*, multiple characters in *Too Much Light Makes the Baby go Blind*, and several workshop pieces. She wants to thank everyone at Vagabond's who has made this production such a joyful, engaging, and wonderfully chaotic experience! And, of course a big thank you to her family for their continued support and love.



**Jess Corso** (Countess/Female Admirer/Assistant Director) has worked on five Vagabond Players productions over two seasons, three shows supporting both behind the scenes and on stage. Jess is excited to join this astounding creative team as an assistant director. Thanks folks for continuing to support Jess and their endless theatrical endeavors. Thanks also to the incredible patience of the folks in charge of creating these programs as she can never manage to send her bio in on time.

**John Dignam** (Sagot) last appeared at Vagabond Players in *And Then There Were None* and *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*. Since returning to the stage almost 10 years ago (after a 25-year hiatus), John has performed in close to three dozen plays (this is #33!) with over a dozen Baltimore troupes. He returns to Cockpit in Court this summer for #34 - Noel Coward's high farce/comedy of manners *Hay Fever*. John is thrilled to be working again with some of his favorite fellow actors in town, and would like to thank Stephen, Kaite, Kay-Megan, Jess, Anthony, Marylee, and the rest of our amazing cast and crew for their love and support.



**Su Kim** (Female Understudy) is excited to be back on stage at Vagabond Players. She was last seen as Rapunzel in *Into the Woods*. When not performing she is the social media mastermind for Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland. You can also find her training on the mats at Synergy Karate.

**Casey Piparo** (Male Understudy) is excited to be involved in his first show with Vagabond Players. He has previously been in *Ah Wilderness*, and performed in an adaptation of *War of the Worlds* at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. He would like to thank his parents and close friends for their continued support.



**Lucius Robinson** (Schmendiman) is a Princess Grace award-winning performer, director, writer, and teacher who received his MFA from the Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theatre. Previous performances include *How I Learned to Drive* and *Room Service* with Vagabond Players and *Mankind* with Iron Crow. He is extremely grateful to get to return once more to this stage this year and the profoundest affection and respect for the Vagabond Players community.



**Anthony Rufo** (Freddy) most recently appeared at Vagabond Players as Mr. Jenkins in *Room Service*. He has also appeared as Molokov in *Chess*, Dr. Spivey in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, and was an alternate for Jack and Ben in Neil Simon's *Broadway Bound*, taking the stage as Jack for two performances.

**John Sheldon** (A Visitor) is very active in the Maryland theatre scene, and is thrilled to be back on the Vagabond Players stage with this amazing cast, having last appeared here in *Into the Woods* (Mysterious Man). Other Vagabonds shows include *Little Shop of Horrors* (Mr. Mushnik), *The Odd Couple* (New Roy), and his personal favorite, *Avenue Q* (Trekki Monster). As always, much love to Katie and Samantha, both of whom make everything better.



**Miles Weeks** (Albert Einstein) is thrilled to be back for his third show with Vagabond Players. Previously, Miles was Jack in *Into the Woods* and a member of the Ensemble in *Chess*. He's so excited to be part of this production and to get to share his love of theater with the Vagabond Players community again!

**Laura Weeldreyer** (Germaine) is thrilled to be making her debut at Vagabond Players. She recently appeared as Bev/Kathy in *Clybourne Park* at Spotlighters and has acted at other local theater companies including Laurel Mill Playhouse, Memorial Players, Cockpit in Court, and Phoenix Festival Theater. When Laura isn't on stage, she runs a statewide nonprofit organization. Big thanks to family and friends who support her theatre cahoots. "The purpose of art is washing the dust of daily life off our souls," Pablo Picasso.



**Peter Wilkes** (Gaston) is thrilled to return to Vagabond Players in the role of Gaston. His most recent Vagabond appearances--Turkle in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, Giles Corey in *The Crucible*, General Mackenzie in *And Then There Were None*, and Reverend Brown in *Inherit the Wind*. Trained at Esper Studios in NYC, other favorite roles include Terry Farmer in *Casa Valentina*, Sydney in *Inspecting Carol*, and Reverend Tom in *7 Blowjobs*. Peter would like to thank the entire *Picasso* team for supporting this old guy, and especially his wife, Dickey for her patience, love, and awesome help throughout this new adventure.

# Crew Biographies

**Stephen M. Deininger** (Director) is a prolific director, actor, and pianist across the Baltimore area. A Vagabond Players' board member, his Vagabond credits include: actor and pianist in *Room Service*, *Into the Woods*, *Doubt*, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)*, *The Fantasticks*, *The Pillowman*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Avenue Q*, *Cabaret*, and *Our Town*; and director for *The Crucible*, *God of Carnage*, and *Chess*. He would like to thank his wife, Samantha, for being supportive of him and this theater.

**Kay-Megan Washington** (Assistant Director) is delighted to return to Vagabond Players after making her debut last season as Mrs. Muller in *Doubt* -- this time as an Assistant Director. Kay-Megan is a seasoned theatre, television and film actor and new-ish intimacy director, and spends the rest of her time on her Muggle job with the State of Maryland. She thanks Stephen for giving her the opportunity to work on this terrific script with this wonderful, talented cast and creative team, and her Steve for supporting her as she does so.

**Kaite Vaught** (Stage Manager) is thrilled to be back at Vagabond Players in her normal role as a stage manager! She has a B.A. in theatre from Centre College, and a J.D. from University of Baltimore School of Law. Selected theatre credits include Stage Manager: *The Crucible*, *Twelve Angry Jurors*, *God of Carnage*, *Chess*, and *Into the Woods* at Vagabond Players, *The Mineola Twins* and *Wit* at Fells Point Corner Theatre; Cast: *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* at Vagabond Players, *A Christmas Carol* and *Romulus* at Memorial Players.

## Production Staff

Director .....	Stephen Deininger
Assistant Director .....	Kay-Megan Washington Jess Corso
Stage Manager .....	Kaite Vaught
Booth Technician .....	Kaite Vaught
Lighting Design .....	Stephen Deininger
Sound Design .....	Stephen Deininger
Costumer .....	April Forrer
Set Design .....	Bruce Kapplin
Set Construction .....	Bruce Kapplin Jay Demarco
Photographers .....	Shealyn Jae Photography Audra M. Mullen
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