

A Note From The Author

I spent a great deal of my life around nuns. And most of my experiences left wonderful memories. I wrote "Nunsense" because I wanted to share what I knew to be "the humor of the nun." Though it may be hard to believe after you read this script, each of the Little Sisters of Hoboken is based on a *real-life* nun.

Sister Mary Regina was to the outside world a model Mother Superior even if she was overweight. But to those who knew her, she was an outrageous, quick-witted soul who knew how to get a laugh. She tried to convince you that she was strict, but everyone knew that her "bark was worse than her bite!" Played by Vickie Westergren.

Sister Mary Hubert was a kind person who would always try to be understanding and diplomatic. She taught the Novices the ground rules, and was supposed to be dignified. But with the slightest bit of encouragement, she was ready to kick up her heels. Played by Noell Ince.

Sister Robert Anne was a tough, streetwise nun who had a heart of gold. All the kids adored her because she spoke their language. And she could hit a baseball "out of the park." Played by Delise Koone

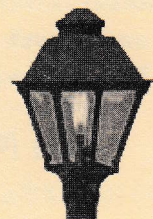
Sister Mary Anmesia was the picture of innocence. She couldn't remember her past and so looked at each new day with a childlike joy. Played by Sarah Liberti.

Sister Mary Leo had been a professional dancer before she entered the convent and was always eager to display her talent. She was very impressionable because she was young and could easily be led astray. Played by Adriana Varela.

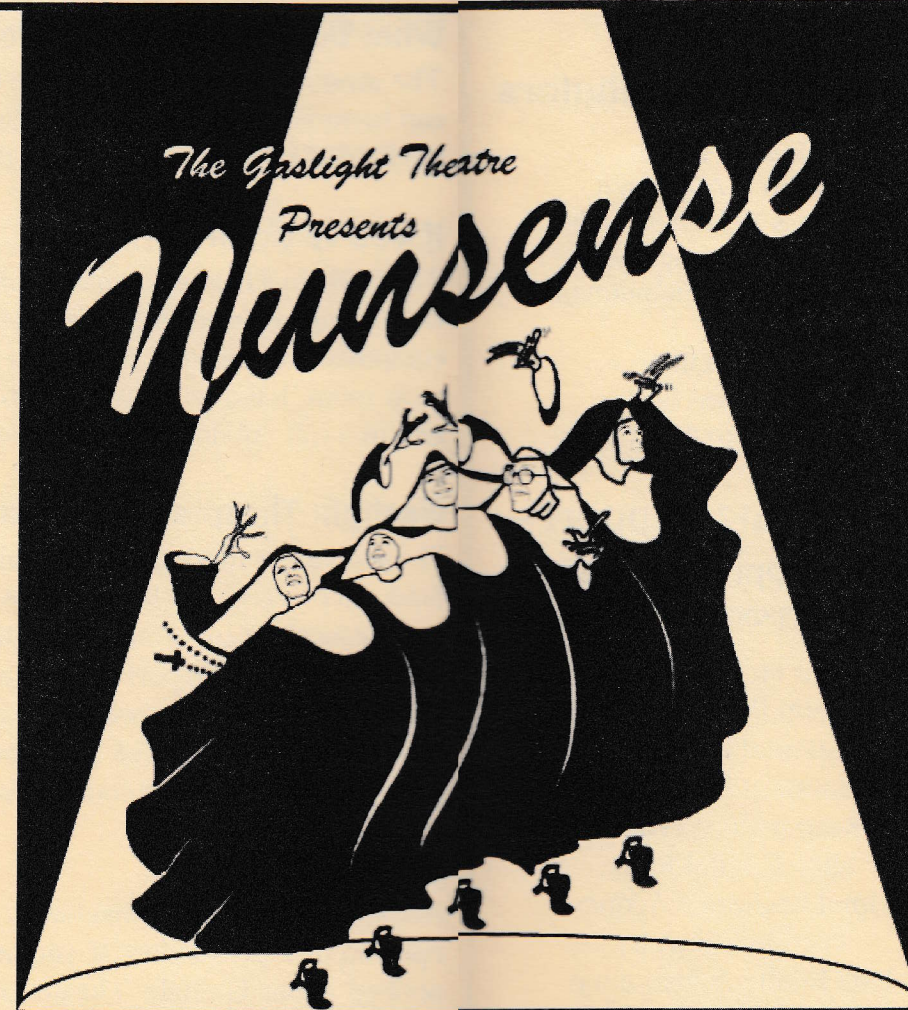
Dan Goggin

Dan Goggin came to New York from Alma, Michigan. He began his career as a singer in David Merrick's Broadway production of *Luther* starring Albert Finney. He then toured for five years as a member of the folksinging duo, "The Saxons." Dan wrote the music for and appeared in the off-Broadway musical *Hark!*, after which he began writing both music and lyrics for revues. He composed the score for the Broadway production *Legend* starring Elizabeth Ashley and F. Murray Abraham, and has written the book, music and lyrics for an original musical *A One-Way Ticket To Broadway*. *Nunsense* was first created by Dan Goggin with Marilyn Farina portraying Mother Superior in a greeting card series. Based on the greeting card character, Dan wrote the "Nunsense" musical.

Gaslight Theatre



Shiner's Historic Opera House



A Musical Comedy By Dan Goggin

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January
13, 14, 15

Director
Diane Malone

Nunsense

A Musical Comedy

Time: The Present

Place: Mt. Saint Helen's School Auditorium

ACT 1

Welcome.....Sr. Mary Regina
 "Nunsense Is Habit-Forming"Cast
 Opening Remarks.....Srs. Regina and Hubert
 "A Difficult Transition".....Cast
 The Quiz.....Sr. Mary Amnesia
 "Benedicite" Sr. Mary Leo
 "The Biggest Ain't the Best" Srs. Hubert and Leo
 "Playing Second Fiddle" Sr. Robert Anne
 Taking ResponsibilitySr. Mary Regina
 "So You Want to Be a Nun".....Sr. Mary Amnesia
 A Word from the Reverend Mother.....Sr. Mary Regina
 "Turn Up the Spotlight".....Sr. Mary Regina
 "Lilacs Bring Back Memories"Srs. Regina, Hubert, Leo & Amnesia
 An Unexpected Discovery.....Sr. Mary Regina
 "Tackle That Temptation with a Time Step"Sr. Mary Hubert & Cast

INTERMISSION — 15 Minutes Between Acts

ACT 2

Robert to the Rescue..... Sr. Robert Anne
 "Growing Up Catholic".....Srs. Robert Anne, Leo, Hubert & Amnesia
 "We've Got to Clean Out the Freezer"Cast
 A Minor Catastrophe.....Cast
 "Just a Coupl'a Sisters"Srs. Regina and Hubert
 "Soup's On" (The Dying Nun Ballet) Sr. Mary Leo
 Baking with the BVM.....Sr. Julia, Child of God
 "Playing Second Fiddle" (Reprise)..... Sr. Robert Anne
 "I Just Want to Be a Star" Sr. Robert Anne
 "The Drive In" Srs. Robert Anne, Amnesia & Leo
 "I Could've Gone to Nashville"Sr. Mary Amnesia
 "Gloria in Excelsis Deo"Cast
 Closing Remarks Sr. Mary Regina & Cast
 "Holier Than Thou"Sr. Mary Hubert & Cast
 "Nunsense Is Habit-Forming" (Reprise).....Cast

The cast would like to extend a VERY special thank you to the Board of Directors for welcoming us to the Gaslight Theatre.