# ARRAGE S NURDER

By Nick Hau Directed by Jacqui Warner

Old Mill Theatre, Mends Street, South Perth.



In June 2011 a group of Community Theatre friends thought it would be fun to create a new theatre company dedicated to bringing quality comedy shows to the Perth stage.

Since 2012 Serial Productions has brought you some of the funniest and most successful comedy shows including Open All Hours, Blackadder Goes Forth, Blackadder the Third, Noises Off, The Importance of Being Earnest, Wife After Death, The Foreigner, The Nerd.

> Tonight we are pleased to bring you the murderously funny comedy Marriage is Murder This great comedy is brought to you by a team of talented Perth actors under the direction of Jacqui Warner.



A murderously funny two character comedy by Nick Hall. It is 1995 and recently divorced ex-pats Paul and Polly - co-authors of the highly successful Miss Charlie Murder Mysteries - grudgingly reunite to continue the series. There is an opportunity to make a lot of money as a result of a film deal and since they share the copyright on the famous character they co-created they are forced to work together. Over two days in Paul's New York apartment the couple act out and rehearse murders - poisoned chocolates, lethal martinis, alibis and fingerprints, tied up bodies in a trunk, daggers, guns and even an axe. The couples fast paced dialogue will keep the audiences on the edge of their seats wondering what will happen next. There are many comic twists as they attempt to outdo and surprise each other and they learn that marriage, like murder, is in the details. The final witty complication is a real murder which they and the audience should have seen coming.

### **Director** ~ Jacqui Warner



Jacqui has been involved in theatre since 2004. She has appeared in numerous productions at a community theatre level and has won various acting awards, her most recent being Best Female Actor for Wife After Death (DTP 2020). This is Jacqui's eleventh show for Serial Productions since its inception in 2011. This is Jacqui's second time as a director having previously directed These Are The Isolate for Marloo Theatre One Act season in 2021 which was nominated for Best Production and Best Director at the ITA Drama Fest Awards.

#### Cast

Polly Butler ~ Kylie Isaia Paul Butler ~ Richard Hadler

## Setting

Paul Butler's Upper West side studio apartment New York.

ACT ONE Scene 1: Thursday evening Scene 2: Later that evening Scene 3: Friday morning

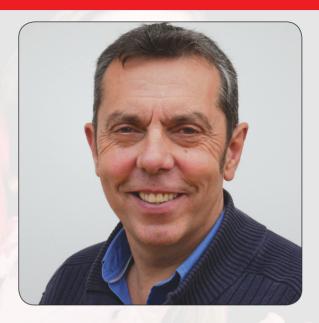
ACT TWO Scene 4: Friday evening Scene 5: Later that evening Scene 6: Saturday morning

# Kylie Isaia ~ Polly Butler



Kylie has been involved in most all aspects of theatre from a young age, performing across all genres. Some of her most memorable roles include:
Irma (Irma La Douce), Tourvel (Dangerous Liaisons). Sally Bowles (I am a Camera), Sister Mary Amnesia (Nunsense 1 & 2).
Laura (The Woman who Cooked her Husband), Chris (Calendar Girls), Carrie (Carousel) and Lady Macbeth (MacBeth).
She has worked in Music Hall and performed for over 15 years as a cabaret artist and jazz vocalist for the duos Ain't Misbehavin' and Le Jazz Hot.
This is Kylie's seventh on-stage role for Serial Productions, she was last seen as Jenny Farrington in Theft (SP 2022)

#### **Richard Hadler ~ Paul Butler**



Richard made his stage debut in 2013 for Ellenbrook Theatre Company and has since appeared in numerous productions for Darlington Theatre Players (Marloo), Garrick Theatre and The Old Mill Theatre. He has been nominated for various acting awards and won Best Male Actor for his portrayal of George in Whose Afraid of Virginia Woolf (MarlooTheatre 2017), He was last seen as Spriggs in Theft (SP 2022). This is Richard's fifth onstage role for Serial Productions.

#### Crew

Director Jacqui Warner

Stage Manager Rob Warner

Prompt Brendan Tobin

Set Design George Boyd

Set Construction George Boyd and team

> Lighting Design Bailey Fellows

Lighting/sound operation George Boyd

FOH Brenda Oliver-Harry and team

> Props Lesley Sutton



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