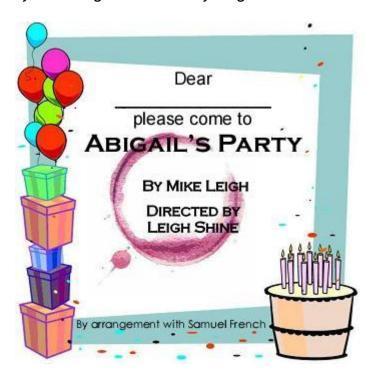
A Network Theatre Company production

at Network Theatre, Lower Road

Abigail's Party

by Mike Leigh / directed by Leigh Shine



Performances:

13/03/2007 - 17/03/2007

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By arrangement with Samuel French

Abigail's Party is morbidly compelling. Set in suburbia, it is a study of three problematic relationships. Below the scathing satire there is a near-tragic exposé of the struggles of ordinary, incompatible people against the era's tide of social mobility and class-consciousness.

Abigail's Party has been described as a 'savage satire on England's middle-class'. This bitter-sweet, darkly comic play celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2007. It was originally devised as a play for the Hampstead Theatre and then subsequently broadcast as a Mike Leigh's best-known television work, it is also one of the most celebrated TV plays of the 1970s.