Network Theatre presents...

"Network Theatre presents... "Who Shot Santa?" starring Michael Pritchard

as Santa"

was created and performed by the company

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Coming next at Network

18-21 February 2015 at 7.30pm (Doors 7pm) - Ticketed

The Bald Prima Donna & Jacques

by Eugene Ionesco, directed by Paul Hoskins & Nigel Williams

Beyond ridiculing the most banal situations, lonesco's plays depict the solitude and insignificance of human existence in a tangible way.

The Bald Prima Donna

The Smiths are a traditional couple from London who have invited another couple, the Martins, over for a visit. They are joined later by the Smiths' maid, Mary, and the local fire chief, who is also Mary's lover. The two families engage in meaningless banter, telling stories and relating nonsensical poems. At one point, Mrs. Martin converses with her husband as if he were a stranger she just met.

Jacques

The thrust of the narrative involves Jacques' arranged marriage to Roberta and, when the first Roberta is not satisfactory, Roberta II. The play contains nonsensical exchanges and strings of clichés, similar to The Bald Prima Donna, and the sort of surreal conceits common in many of lonesco's later plays.

"Who Shot Santa?"

Santa's Song

(Sam) Now we've found out Who Shot Santa (Pauline) Solved ourselves a mystery (Ella /Jane) And the secret we discovered? (Carys) Santa lives in you and me!

(*Victoria*) You saved the day by Christmas Eve (*Adam*) I only needed to believe

(Michael) Yes, Jimmy, it's true -*(Michael)* There wouldn't be a Christmas without you.

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(All) Time to get this Christmas started(*Tech*) There's a job for everyone.(All) We can all be Santa's helpersTogether we can get it done

Making toys and wrapping presents Loading each on to the sleigh Making sure they get delivered Just in time for Christmas Day

Children won't believe their eyes Waking up to this surprise

Santa Claus, It's true There couldn't be a Christmas without you

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We don't ask a lot for Christmas We have everything we need You can do without the presents When you're in good company?

Christmas is a time for spending With your friends and family. Grab yourself some lights and tinsel Decorate your family tree However many people, there Will always be some room to spare

For them, it's just as true It wouldn't feel like Christmas without you

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And if you know somebody At this time of year Who doesn't find it's easy To fill themselves with cheer

Remind them that you love them And you are thinking of them Let them know for absolutely anything at all All they need to do is call

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Now's the ending of the story All that's left for us to say We hope that you've enjoyed this evening Thanks for coming to our play

If the story's still unclear We'll do a pantomime next year

One thing left to do. Wish a Merry Christmas to you.