#### **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

In 1850 Charlotte Bronte felt compelled to write what reads almost as an apology for her late sisters only novel. "Wuthering Heights was hewn in a wild workshop, with simple tools, out of homely materials. The statuary found a granite block on a solitary moor with time and labour the crag took human shape; and there it stands colossal."

Whilst the Genesian Theatre has presented many adaptations of classic works over the years, few have been tales as raw and violent as this. The play plumbs the depths of human emotion, yet there are signs of redemption at the end especially in the blossoming love between the young Cathy and Hareton. While the characters may be bitter, twisted or irretrievably flawed, often they have been victims of terrible misfortune. Hindley turns to drink following the death of his wife; Heathcliff loses ifriend love and all¢ when Cathy, either out of sheer naivety or shrewd cunning (depending on your interpretation) marries the wealthy Edgar Linton.

Fortunately in translating these often unpleasant characters from page to stage I have had the benefit of an unfailingly pleasant production team, cast and crew. My sincere thanks to them and I hope that our efforts succeed in giving convincing dramatic life to the colossus that is Wuthering Heights.

Roger Gimblett

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#### Special thanks

The Genesian Theatre acknowledges the assistance of Roger Hind, the many unnamed people who assisted with this production, and the long-suffering families and friends of those involved.

#### The Story

Mr Lockwood, the new tenant of Thrushcross
Grange visits his landlord Heathcliff at
Wuthering Heights and in the middle of the
night he is awoken by a strange vision.
He recounts his story to Ellen Dean the
housekeeper at the Grange and she tells him
of the dramatic events some 20 years earlier

Wuthering Heigths is set in Yorkshire, England

THERE WILL BE ONE 15min INTERVAL

### CAST (in order of appearance)

Mr Lockwood: Brian Donovan

Joseph: Bill Lamonby

Cathy Linton: Chantal Kershaw

Hareton Earnshaw: Daniel De Souza

Heathcliff: Piper Madison

Ellen Dean: Sandra Bass

Catherine: Celia Bickmore Hutt

Edgar Linton: Bernie Buikstra

Hindley Earnshaw: Rob McHugh

Isabella Linton: Josephine Short

at some performances the role of Mr Lockwood will be played by Richard Sherwood

Directed by

Roger Gimblett

Production Associate Joyce Birch: **CREW** 

Original Score: Joel Sarakula

Costume Design:

Peter Henson:

Set and lighting Design:

**Owen Gimblett** 

**Lighting Director:** 

Eric Bicknell

Lighting Operator: Richard Sherwood

Sound Design:

John OBrien Hall

Sound Operator: Trish Chigwidden

Stage Manager (tech):

George J Wright:

Stage Manager (personnel):

Di Henderson:

Graphics:

BoxTree

Wig Stylist:

**Sharon Case** 

Set Construction: George Wright, Eric Bicknell, Susan Carveth, Owen and Wendy Gimblett and company members.

Publicity: Richard Sherwood, Shane Bates, Chantal Kersaw, Loretta Tolnai and Tim Bennett