

**SNEEM DRAMSOC PRESENTS**



**TARTUFFE**  
by  
**MOLIÈRE**

**(In a new adaptation by Sneem DramSoc)**

PROGRAMME PRICE: €1.00

## TARTUFFE:

TARTUFFE, a fraud and pious impostor, has inveigled his way into the home of wealthy Cork magnate A.J. O'Reilly. He succeeds magnificently in winning the respect and devotion of the head of the house and his mother and then tries to marry his daughter, seduce his wife, and scrounge the deed to the property. He nearly gets away with it, but a clever Garda arrives in the nick of time to recover the property, free O'Reilly, and arrest Tartuffe. In the original, first staged before Louis XIV in 1664, Moliere poked fun at religious hypocrisy of the age. In the hundreds of years since then, the play has been creatively adapted to take account of particular local circumstances and identifiable local targets. The villain is irretrievably rotten and most of the people in the household are either sickeningly noble or stupid or both. The play is essentially a farce of morals, mercilessly examining the wickedness which men can commit in the guise of religious fervour, and the dangers for those who would believe only what they choose to believe despite a mountain of evidence to the contrary.

The Scene: the lounge of a large Co. Cork home in the early 1960s.

The performance is in 2 acts with a 20 minute interval for refreshments and a raffle.

## THE CAST

Mrs. O'Reilly, mother of A.J. O'Reilly  
A.J. (Tony) O'Reilly, husband of Emer  
Emer, second wife of Tony  
Doreen, daughter of Tony  
Damien, son of Tony  
Conleth Considine, Emer's brother  
Tartuffe, an impostor  
Valentine, Doreen's boyfriend  
Mr. Christian, a bailiff  
Garda Fonsey O'Sullivan

Mary O'Sullivan  
Jim Feeney  
Paula Tiller  
Selina Keogh  
Johnny B. Breen  
Jim O'Sullivan  
Patrick Malone  
Daniel O'Reardon  
Don Keogh  
George Drummond

DIRECTOR  
STAGE MANAGER  
SET CONSTRUCTION  
MAKE-UP  
FRONT-OF-HOUSE

Patrick Malone  
John F. O'Sullivan  
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Caoimhe Kavanagh  
Betty Breen