

Chronicle Theater Review



David Lee Huynh as Dr. Watson, Chris Thorn as Sherlock Holmes, Jordan Coughtry as Sir Henry Baskerville, and Brian Owen as Dr. Mortimer in "Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery."

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Jordan Coughtry as Sir Henry Baskerville and David Lee Huynh as Dr. Watson.

Fast-Paced And Funny 'Baskerville' Closes Out Playhouse Season

by Melissa De La Vega

The Cape Playhouse nailed it this week, closing out its 93rd season with a bang. Come along for a riotous ride as legendary Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson, everyone's favorite crime-solving detective duo, try to crack their latest whodunnit case in Ken Ludwig's award-winning show "Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery." The play is a fast-paced comedic adaptation of the series of detective stories

and books by Arthur Conan Doyle where murder, mystery and humor collide with a wonderfully fresh spin. Directed by teacher and producer Brendon Fox, who aptly notes that "Baskerville" is many things, "a comedy, a mystery, a valentine to performance and storytelling."

Rounding out his summer as guest artistic director at the Playhouse, Hunter Foster urged the audience to spread the word about the theater; word of mouth is crucial to keeping our local theaters vibrant and alive. "Baskerville" is unquestionably one of the most entertaining shows of the summer. This production, with its incredibly talented five-person cast, encapsulates everything we know and love about live theater: mystery, humor, love, friendship and suspense.

Playing the celebrated detectives are Chris Thorn as Sherlock Holmes and David Lee Huynh as Dr. Watson. Perfectly cast in their roles, both Thorn and Huynh were delightful to watch, captivating the audience with their charm. Thorne is no stranger to the stage at the Cape Playhouse, appearing in several shows over the years. Huynh, in his Playhouse debut, absolutely shines in the role of Dr. Watson.

"Baskerville" also co-stars three other brilliant actors who manage to pull off the seemingly impossible task of playing dozens of different characters throughout the two hour show: Brian Owen, Jordan Coughtry and Nisi Sturgis. With dizzying and chaotic hilarity, slapstick dialects and physical humor, Owen, Coughtry and Sturgis steal nearly every scene with their character shifts: Barrymores, Stapletons, Baskervilles, couriers, townsfolk, hounds, hoteliers, and more. Bravo to these three

stellar actors! Equally impressive were the behind-the-scenes team of four wardrobe crew members who flawlessly make every character change magically happen.

Thank you to the Cape Playhouse for a marvelous 2023 season and especially for the laugh-out-loud moments in "Baskerville!" We can't wait to see what 2024 brings! For an adventurous night of pure fun, don't miss the chance to catch one of the few shows left of "Baskerville."

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