Direction and

Sound Operation

- Annie Wallace

Lighting Operator Stage Manager

- Carl Dexter - Lise Hubble

Stage hands

- Jamie Laidler, Nigel Penn and

James

Front of house

- Helen Bowyer

Poster design

- Jim Temple

Posters supplied by - Gavin Paul

FOH assistants

- Andy O'Brien, Michael Clark

Mick Bowden

Set construction

- Lise Hubble and Martyn Bryan

Design assistants

- Gavin Paul, Martyn Bryan

Lise Hubble

Lighting, Sound and Production Design - Annie Wallace

Extra lighting supplied by Playlight (UK)

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DANCING AT LUGHNASA By Brian Friel

CHARACTERS

| MICHAEL | - | MARTYN | BRYAN |
|----------------|---|-------------------|----------|
| KATE | - | CAROL | STEWART |
| MAGGIE | - | JOSEPHINE | CONNOLLY |
| AGNES | - | HEIDI | KNIGHT |
| ROSE | - | JENNY | CROMPTON |
| CHRIS | _ | LOUISE | SAUNDERS |
| GERRY | - | JIM | TEMPLE |
| JACK | _ | GAVIN PAUL | |

ACT I

A warm day in early August 1936

ACT 2

Three weeks later

SETTING

The house and garden of the Mundy family, two miles outside the village of Ballybeg, County Donegal, Ireland

Bringing Lughnasa to Chorlton......

I first came across this play a few years during a workshop session at Rose Bruford Drama College and fell in love with it there and then.

Brian Friel based this fictional play around his own aunts, living in a farmhouse near the Donegal town of Glenties. The world he creates is a very real place that we long to go, to experience a time gone by; where frugality is mixed with an innocence we can no longer recapture.

Having seen this play presented in the standard proscenium arch, I longed for the chance to bring that world even closer to the audience, and thanks to the faith and dedication of the Chorlton Players, I hope I have been able to do just that, by designing the production for a thrust stage.

I hope you will enjoy this very unusual production, and enjoy your journey into a world where "...atmosphere is more real than incident and everything is simultaneously actual and illusory......"

Annie Wallace