ASIAN AMERICAN THEATER COMPANY 25TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MARK TAPER FORUM'S ASIAN THEATER WORKSHOP

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DIRECTED BY CHAY YEW MAGIC THEATER MARCH 26-APRIL 12, 1998

performed and written by

**LEC MAPA** 

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directed by Chay Yew

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I Remember Mapa was originally produced by the Mark Taper Forum, Los Angeles, California (Gordon Davidson, Artistic Director/ Producer; for the Asian Theater Workshop, Chay Yew, Director).

### ALEC MAPA performer/writer

Alec Mapa is best known for playing the role of "Song Liling" in both the Broadway production and national touring companies of David Henry Hwang's M. Butterfly. Also, he recently performed in a new work about the press and the presidency by Anna Deavere Smith last fall at Arena Stage in Washington, D.C. Other Broadway credits include Timon of Athens and A Little Hotel on the Side, both with the National Actor's Theatre. Mapa has appeared off-Broadway in the New York Shakespeare Festival production of Chay Yew's A Language of Their Own. Film credits include Bright Lights Big City, A New Life and The Substance of Fire. Television credits

include The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles, Melrose Place, Hart to Hart, Hangin' with Mr. Cooper, The Jamie Foxx Show, Roseanne, Law & Order, Seinfeld, Spy Game, Murder One and NYPD Blue (where Alec appeared as the loveable transvestite prostitute "Angela"). Mapa's last stage appearances were in Porcelain and Half Lives, part of the East West Players production of Chay Yew's 'Whitelands" trilogy, for which he received the 1996 L.A. Ovation Award and Dramalogue Award for best actor. Alec recently performed with Bette Midler in the pilot presentation of The Harlettes, and will be a series regular on By Anne Nivel, a new CBS comedy starring Marcia Gay Harden.

#### **CHAY YEW** director

Chay Yew has directed at New York Theater Workshop, Mark Taper Forum, Highways Performance Space, New Dramatists, Playwrights Center and Audrey Skirball-Kenis Theater. His last production was an international collaboration performance work, *Home: Places Between Asia and America*, for Northwest

Produced in association with the Mark Taper Forum's Asian Theater Workshop, Los Angeles.

This production is generously supported in part by the Zellerbach Family Fund.

No food, drinks, photography or recording devices permitted in the house.

Asian American Theater in Seattle last January. Mr. Yew will direct the world premiere of Bay Area playwright Prince Gomolvilas's play, Big Hunk O' Burnin' Love, at East West Players. He is the Director of the Taper's Asian Theater Workshop and the Resident Director at East West Players.

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#### **ASIAN AMERICAN THEATER COMPANY**

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Asian American Theater Company, established in 1973, is dedicated to the development and presentation of original works of theater, by, for and about Americans of Asian Pacific Islander descent. For 25 years, the company has been a significant contributor to the artistic and cultural life of the Asian Pacific Islander American communities of the San Francisco Bay Area, as well as having a national impact through the artists who have gone from our stages to careers of national prominence.

As we look forward to the new millennium, we will continue to:

- chart new directions for Asian Pacific Islander American theater arts
- nourish the spirits of our diverse communities through art
- give Asian Pacific Islander Americans tools for living in a multicultural society
- promote the talents of established and emerging Asian Pacific Islander American artists
- and, inspire new generations of Asian Pacific Islander Americans to tell their stories.

As individual artists and as an organization, we seek to challenge our audiences artistically and politically. We believe in the power of live theater to explore the human condition from our unique perspective and to bridge diverse communities through the examination and articulation of shared experiences. In an era of increasing anti-Asian sentiment and outright violence, it is crucial that Asian Pacific Islander American artists be given opportunities to produce their responses to events and encourage dialogue and understanding between all of our ethnic communities.

Through our productions, training program and young artists' workshops, Asian American Theater Company continues to serve as a focal point for the talents of established and emerging Asian Pacific Islander American theater artists.

Producing Director

#### STAFF

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## **25TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON**

Frank Chin's The Chickencoop Chinaman

directed by Alberto Isaac

April 30-May 10, 1998 • Thursday-Saturday, 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. SOMAR Cultural Center, 934 Brannan Street, San Francisco

"The United States of Asian America" • Asian Pacific Islander American performance series The 18 Mighty Mountain Warriors' Hatest Grits

Thursday and Friday, May 21-22, 1998 • 8:00 p.m.

Canyon Sam, Capacity to Enter

Saturday and Sunday, May 23-24, 1998 • 8:00 p.m.

SOMAR Cultural Center, 934 Brannan Street, San Francisco

The Hapa Writers' Workshop, All of the Above Saturday and Sunday, May 16-17, 1998 • 8:00 p.m. La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley

Charlie Chin's Eat In, Take Out June 6, 1998 one night only!

Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Media Screening Room, 701 Mission Street, San Francisco

Dennis Dun, A Family of Men exact dates and location TBA

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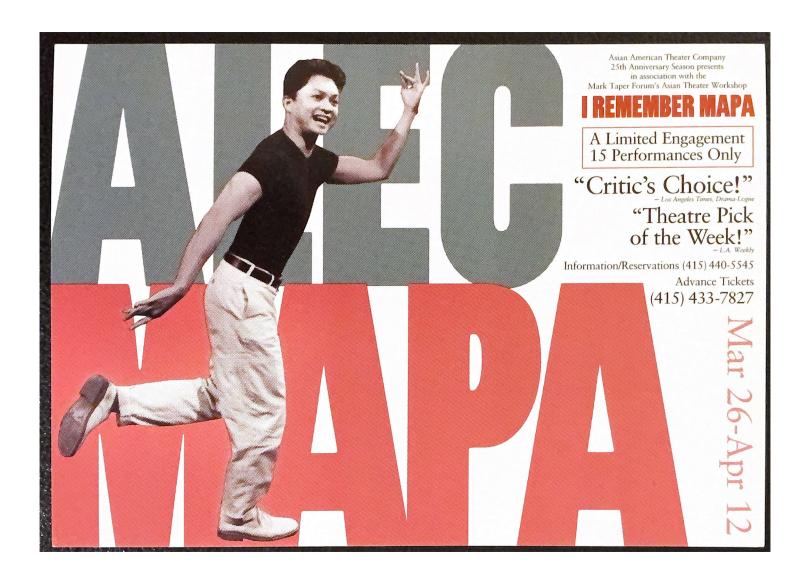
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and ... does anyone have storage space?



"Mapa is a born performer." - Daily Variety

"...his ability to hold a stage is undeniable."

- Los Angeles Times

This award-winning actor and comedian will once again perform his hilarious, wickedly funny one-man show which chronicles his true life experiences in the mainstream entertainment industry.

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# Alec Mapa in **I REMEMBER MAPA**Directed by Chay Yew March 26-April 12, 1998 at MAGIC THEATRE

Fort Mason Center, Building D, San Francisco

**PERFORMANCES:** Thurs-Sat at 8:30pm; Sun at 3pm & 7pm **PRICES:** Thurs \$16; Fri \$18; Sat \$21; Sun (3pm) \$18 & (7pm) \$16

Discounts for groups, students and seniors.

Information/Reservations (415) 440-5545

Advance Tickets (415) 433-7827

Originally presented at the Asian Theater Workshop, Los Angeles 1997. Alec Mapa photo by Craig Schwartz.

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"Mapa's flamboyant delivery and outrageous stories are side-splitting!"

- L.A. Weekly

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