"Marigolds was written when I was twenty-five years old. One morning I awoke and discovered the manuscript next to my typewriter. I suspect it is autobiographical, because whenever I see a production of it I laugh and cry harder than anyone else in the audience. I laugh because the play always reminds me of still another charmingly frantic scheme of my mother's to get rich quick—a profusion of schemes all of which couldn't possibly appear in the play: It might be the time my mother decided to make a fortune as a dog breeder but ended up with twenty-six collies when no buyers appeared; or perhaps I'll recall her hot dog emporium at a small airport; or her Phone-A-Gift Service. I remember an endless series of preposterous undertakings—hatcheck girl, PT boat riveter, unlicensed real estate broker.

But my tears come from a time several years after the play was written, when I returned to my mother's house knowing she had only a few months to live; she was unaware of the fact that she was dying... During that privileged time just before she died, we enjoyed each other as friends... Always we talked of the past—of her father, of his vegetable wagon in old Stapleton, of a man who rented a room in her father's house in which to store thousands of Christmas toys. There was always the unusual, the hilarity, the sadness. In her own way she told me of her secret dreams and fears—so many of which somehow I had sensed, and discovered written into that manuscript next to my typewriter, many years before."—Paul Zindel
The Division of Theater Arts
The Department of Fine Arts—Baylor University presents

THE EFFECT OF GAMMA RAYS ON MAN-IN-THE-MOON MARIGOLDS
by PAUL ZINDEL
Directed by NANCY PARRISH

Costumes Designed by KASS PRINCE
Lighting Designed by PAUL RICHARDSON
Original Music Composed by RANDY BROWN
Setting Designed by WILLIAM SHERRY

CAST
Tillie Karen Fuller
Beatrice Peggy Pharr
Ruth Lise Brown
Nanny Lisa Moody
Janice Vickery Barbara Spottswood

The setting: The splintered nest of the family Hunsdorfer, carved from a room of wood, and haunted by the ghost of the vegetable store it once was . . .

There will be one 15-minute intermission.
Performances on November 13, 15, 17, 20, 30 and December 1*.  
*Matriee performance at 1:30 p.m.

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Prop—Bill Barto, Ted Doolittle, Kathy Grimes, Kate Riddle, Carol Small, Dustye Winniford

Costume—Cheryl Allen, Tina Hightower, Susan Moore, Sherri Scanlon, Cathy White

Light—Chris Coleman, Douglas Duncan, Mark Gale, Ada Gregory, Amy Scott, Kathryn Shelley, Scott Thompson

House—Andrea Bush, Suzanne Hardee

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