

# Arturo UI

By: Bertolt Brecht

Play no. 248

Opening show: 01/03/1970

Hebrew version by: David Avidan

Directed by: Michael Blakemore

Designed by : Annena Stubbs

Music by : Hans-Dieter Hosalla

Lightning by : Natan Panturin

The Cast

**The Barker:** Nissim Azikri

**Dogsborough:** Aharon Meskin

**Clark:** Baruch David

**Giolva:** Dorian Aroyo

**Giri:** Avraham Ronai

**Arturo Uigh:** Misha Asheroff

**Bowl:** Eli Young

**Sheet:** Israel Rubinchik

**Roma:** Shmuel Atzmon

**Butcher:** Rolf Brin

**Young Dogsborough:** Pinchas Goldberg

**Dockdaisy:** Tova Pardo

**Ragg:** Asher Tsarfati

**Dogsborough's Butler:** Shai Danon

**O'Casey:** Zvi Yaron

**Actor:** Israel Becker

**Ui Bodyguards Shorty Slugs:** Michael Warsaviak, George Hashaviah

**1<sup>st</sup> Grocer:** Asher Tsarfati

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grocer:** Leo Young

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grocer:** Yechiel Amir

**Woman:** Shoshana Duer

**Fish:** Shai Danon

**Court Physician:** Yechiel Amir

**Betty Dullfeet:** Pnina Perach

**Dullfeet:** Shmuel Segal

**Inna:** Israel Biderman

**Roma Bodyguards:** Yitzchak Kluger, Moshe Yanai

**Priest:** Ari Kutai

The Play

The man who control the wholesale greengrocery trade in Chicago face an economic crisis. The bribe Dogsborough, their respected Mayor, to grant a loan. The Press get wind of this, but Ui the gang leader, who wants to "protect" the wholesalers and is blackmailing Dogsborough, murders the one witness. With his lieutenants Giri, Givola and Roma, Ui then establishes a system of "protection", and sets fire to one of the wholesalers' warehouses. For

this crime a half-wit picked up by Giri is tried and, with the judge's connivance, found guilty. The gangsters fall out over Dogsborough's testament, which names Ui as a successor and when Roma opposes Ui's plan for extending operations to the suburb of Evanstone, Ui has him treacherously shot down by the others. The Dullfeet of Evanstone, whose newspaper has criticized the lawlessness in Chicago is likewise murdered after every appearance of friendship. So the wholesalers of Evanstone, too, are scared into asking (unanimously) for Ui's protection, and Ui concludes by sketching sweeping plans for the future.