



The Way of the World

by William Congreve (1670 -1729)

The Way of the World (1700) is widely regarded as being one of the best Restoration comedies written and is still performed today. The play is based around the two lovers Mirabell and Millamant. In order to get married and receive Millamant's full dowry, Mirabell must receive the blessing of Millamant's aunt, Lady Wishfort. Unfortunately, she is a very bitter lady, who despises Mirabell and wants her own nephew, Sir Wilful, to wed Millamant. Other characters include Fainall who is having a secret affair with Mrs. Marwood, a friend of Mrs. Fainall's, who in turn once had an affair with Mirabell. (*Wikipedia*)

Mirabell - *bish*
Fainall - *DublinGothic*
Betty - *Lucy Perry*
Footman (Servant) - *Phil Chenevert*
Messenger - *Phil Chenevert*
Coachman - *Phil Chenevert*
Witwoud - *thebicyclethief*
Petulant - *Martin Geeson*
Mrs Fainall - *Carol Box*
Mrs Marwood - *Helen Falconer*

Mincing - *Bev J. Stevens*
Waitwell - *Nigel Boydell*
Foible - *Malane*
Lady Wishfort - *Mil Nicholson*
Peg - *Maria Calderazzo*
Mrs Millamant - *Liberty Stump*
Sir Wilfull Witwoud - *Bob Gonzalez*
Narrator - *Algy Pug*
Dedication, Prologue & Dramatis
Personae - *Martin Geeson*

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