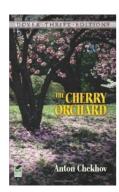
THE CHERRY ORCHARD

Chekov's great tragicomic eulogy for a passing way of life is superbly adapted to make a powerful and beautifully playable drama. Plays for Performance Series About The Author: Contributor Bio: Anton Pavlovich Chekhov Chekhov was a playwright and master of the short story. He studied medicine at Moscow, and began to write while a student. His first book of stories in 1886 was successful, and gradually adopted writing as a profession. Contributor Bio: David Mamet Mamet is...



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I should think I'm going to be a perpetual student. Anton Chekhov, The Cherry Orchard //

We just philosophize, complain of boredom, or drink vodka. It's so clear, you see, that if we're to begin living in the present, we must first of all redeem our past and then be done with it forever. And the only way we can redeem our past is by suffering and by giving ourselves over to exceptional...

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This play is one of the most desperately sad things I have ever seen. It is a portrait of a family struggling in a period where old and new russia are scraping up against each other in a way that is physically painful to watch. I saw a performance...

Its true what they say. Chekhovs got guns! This is a great play about the decline of the Russian aristocracy, its implications for the working class rising to fill the vacancies left by those cash-stricken families, and the complications propagated by these changes, namely the social inadequacies of those who get sucked into this newfound.