

YOU ARE INVITED TO TAKE THE ROLE OF

HERMAN, 42,

*Gambling, Brooding, Butter-Fingered Trapeze Catcher*

### **BACKGROUND**

I am Herman, aged 42, and I am the catcher on the flying trapeze. I work with my fiancée, the dazzlingly beautiful Lulubelle. I am very strong and agile, and an excellent acrobat and gymnast. However a circus performer's career can only last so long, and I am entering my twilight years.

I have been with the circus all my life. My mother, also a circus performer, died at a young age, leaving me to be responsible for my younger brother, Coco the clown. I can have a considerable temper when roused.

### **ABOUT THE VICTIM - JACQUES, 28,**

Despite his French sounding name, the murdered man was a cockney lad from London. A pupil at the East End School of Performing Arts, he was at Slaughter's Circus for his summer placement. During this time he was to spend a week with each of the main circus acts, learning their arts. This week he had been learning clowning skills with Coco and Ermintrude. Each night he has been going into the circus ring acting as assistant to both knife thrower Jade Edge and Illusionist Madam Titian.