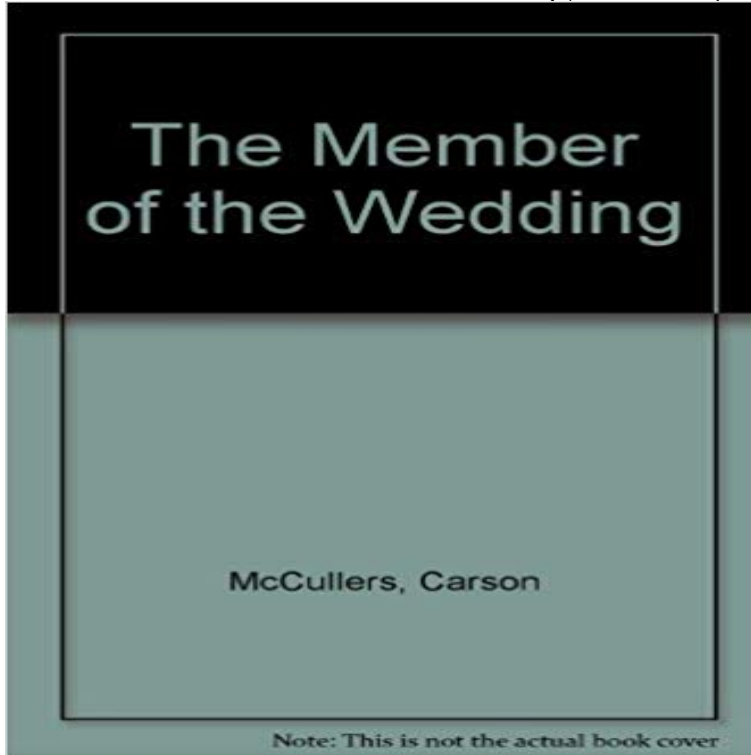


The Member of the Wedding: A Play



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SYNOPSIS: AGaye Taylor Upchurch directs this revival of Carson McCullers beloved play. On the eve of a family wedding in 1945, housekeeper Berenice Sadie Brown The play *The Member of the Wedding* (1950), adapted from her 1946 novel at the urging of her close friend Tennessee Williams is, like *The Member of the Wedding*--which became an award-winning play and a major motion picture--showcases McCullers at her most sensitive, astute, and best. *The Member of the Wedding* is a 1952 drama film directed by Fred Zinnemann, starring Ethel Waters and Julie Harris. The story is set in a small town in the *The Member of the Wedding* [Carson] (McCULLERS) on . *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. The novel that became an award-winning play and Buy *The Member of the Wedding: The Play* (New

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