Department of Theatre
2008-2009 Season

**The House of Blue Leaves, by John Guare**
Directed by Dennis McLemon
October 15-18 7:30pm
October 19 2:00pm
The Sirote Theatre

**Scenes From An Execution, by Howard Barker**
Directed by Karla Koskinen
November 14-15 & 19-22 7:30pm
November 23 2:00pm
The Odess Theatre

**The Rivals, by Richard Brinsley Sheridan**
Directed by Guest Director Jason Jones
February 25-28, 2009 7:30pm
March 1, 2009 2:00pm
The Sirote Theatre

**The Beauty Queen of Leenane, by Martin McDonagh**
Directed by Jack Cannon
March 21 & 24-28, 2009 7:30pm
March 29, 2009 2:00pm
The Odess Theatre

**Rhinoceros, by Eugene Ionesco. Translated by Derek Prouse**
Directed by Will York
April 22-25, 2009 7:30pm
April 26, 2009 2:00pm
The Sirote Theatre

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The House of Blue Leaves

By John Guare

CAST

Artie Shaughnessy ......................... Jon Prensner
Bananas Shaughnessy ..................... Sarah C. Hereford*
Ronnie Shaughnessy ....................... Matthew Sanford
Bunny Flingus .............................. Emily Parks
Corinna Stroller ............................ Whitney Rooks
Head Nun ................................. Amanda Murrah
Second Nun ............................... Sarah-Elizabeth Gallion
Little Nun ................................. Trista Baker
Military Policeman ........................ Jordan Reeves
Asylum Attendant ........................ Taylor Campbell
Billy Einhorn ............................... Jereme Lewis

SETTING
Sunnyside Queens, New York City
October 4, 1965

The play will be performed with one ten minute intermission.

Director's Note:
Playwright John Guare's artistic sensibilities were fashioned in the wrenching revolutions of the 1960's-religious,cultural,sexual. No greater validation can be found for proof of this than his raucous and tender work "The House of Blue Leaves." Hamlet exhorts the actor to "hold a mirror up to nature." "The House of Blue Leaves" throws us, confused and trembling, before a fun-house distortion of what our nature is, was, could be, can be, never was, never should be. Garish illusion, crushing reality, tender haven, ecclesiastical mayhem, nothing is exactly as it seems. And we are left alone to make our way through our own cycle of life's cruelly repetitive farce. As flies to little boys, are we to the gods. It has been said that comedy is tragedy happening to someone else.

Dennis McLernon

Opening Night: Wednesday, October 15, 2008, 7:30 p.m.

*Member of Psi Beta Cast, Alpha Psi Omega National Theatre Honorary.

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