

Invasions of the Home and Heart in a Tour-de-Force Performance: Captivating and Amusing Love Story

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February 4th – March 8th, 2009 – Alberta Theatre Projects proudly presents *Another Home Invasion* in co-production with Tarragon Theatre, as part of the **23rd Annual Enbridge playRites Festival**, a moving story of love and dignity by celebrated Governor General's Award winning Canadian playwright, Joan MacLeod, starring Nicola Lipman.

Ms. MacLeod, the same playwright who penned *The Shape of a Girl* and whose plays have been produced across Canada, and in England, the United States and Europe, is premiering a captivating and endearing play, *Another Home Invasion*, at Alberta Theatre Projects. Following in Ms. MacLeod's tradition of writing plays with political overtones, *Another Home Invasion* explores the unacknowledged tensions and conflicts in what appears to be a peaceful Canadian society. In this new play, the playwright turns her focus onto the home and the universal narrative of growing older.

Another Home Invasion is a dynamic one-woman tour-de-force production, with an exemplary performance by Canada's beloved Nicola Lipman. In the house they have lived in for years, an 80-year-old woman takes care of her ailing husband while trying to maintain some control in her life. When an unwelcome visitor turns everything upside down, she is forced to face the reality that she is no longer sheltered from the volatile world outside. In an era of deep cuts to health care for seniors, this woman must face not only the invasion of her home but also the invasion of her heart as she is forgotten by a system that does not provide for her. *Another Home Invasion* is a profoundly heart wrenching, gripping emotional narrative.

Starring in *Another Home Invasion* is Nicola Lipman recognizable to Alberta Theatre Projects audiences from *Rabbit Hole* by David Lindsay-Abaire (2007). Under the direction of Richard Rose from Tarragon Theatre, Ms. Lipman gives a virtuoso performance and takes the audience on a captivating, comical and devastatingly true journey.

"(MacLeod is)...one of the most important playwrights working in Canada today." — *The Toronto Star*

Another Home Invasion runs from **February 4th – March 8th, 2009**, with shows Tuesdays through Saturdays at 7:30 PM and Saturdays and Sundays at 2:00 PM. All performances are on the ConocoPhillips STAGE in the Martha Cohen Theatre, 215 – 8 Ave SE. For tickets, please call our **Ticket Office at (403) 294-7402**, Ticketmaster at (403) 299-8888 or visit www.ATPLive.com.

CAST

Jean: Nicola Lipman

COMPANY

Director: **Richard Rose**
Set Design: **Scott Reid**
Costume Design: **Jenifer Darbellay**
Lighting Design: **David Fraser**
Assistant Lighting Designer: **Daniel McIlmoyl**
Dramaturg: **Vicki Stroich**
Stage Manager: **Emma Laird**
Apprentice Stage Manager: **Carla Ritchie**

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