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## COMPANY NEWSLETTER

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### OCTOBER DOUBLE-FEATURE

Merlyn Productions Theatre Company will open its 2010 Season with **"WOMAN'S HONOR and SUPPRESSED DESIRES"**, playing October 7 to 9 at the Ellice Theatre.



These classic works by American Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright SUSAN GLASPELL will be presented back-to-back as a double-feature evening of comedy on stage.

When a man falsely accused of murder won't reveal his alibi to protect a WOMAN'S HONOR, a long line-up of ladies begins arriving to save the noble youth – all claiming to be the "the one" he spent that night with! Then, neurotically funny Freudian comedy ensues in SUPPRESSED DESIRES, when one man's wife becomes obsessed with psycho-analysis!

Directing the programme is Merlyn Productions Artistic Director JOHN CHASE.

Featured in the overall cast of eleven local talents are LEILA MARSTON, KEVIN HAMILL, RACHELL HODGINS, TIM BEAUDRY, ERIC JOHANNSON, SAM KOWALUK, KRIS DIAZ, EV DARRACH, LAURA CHAN, NATALIE FITKOWSKY, and ANNA WOODWARD.

Show times are 7:30 PM nightly, with a 2:00 PM matinée on Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup>.

For further information and reservations, call (204) 415-2714 or visit our website at MERLYN.BIZ.



### AUTUMN IMPROV CLASSES

Local comedian / actor / writer RYAN MCMAHON (RyanMcMahonComedy.com) is a well-known producer of comedy shows in the local community, and we are pleased to welcome him as the company's first Improvisational Theatre Instructor!

Merlyn Productions has expanded its Albert Street studios to offer periodic courses in the performing arts – the first of which will be Ryan McMahon's improv training classes this Autumn.

Having studied Improvisational Theatre in many disciplines, he brings a "different" point of view to the art form. This course is not merely a "comedy class", but geared toward those wishing to be more creative onstage in an acting or comedy capacity.

For more information, visit our new "Training" page at: <http://www.merlyn.biz/training.htm>

Details and fee structure are to be announced in the coming weeks. Space in the course will be limited – be certain to get yours!



### MERLYN TALKS SHOP

Proudly display your support for community theatre with an expanded line of Merlyn Productions merchandise and apparel!

In addition to our unisex shirts, we now have orchid fitted t-shirts for the women, and grey-with-black ringers for the men. All t-shirts this season are priced at just \$15!

The ever-popular company buttons will also be back at the Box Office, for any donation of \$2 or more.

To peruse all the styles, visit our new "Shop" page at: <http://www.merlyn.biz/shop.htm>

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