

## **THEATRE RHINOCEROS**

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## DAVID MAMET'S THE SHAWL

| Theatre – One-Act, Drama     |   |
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| <b>Production Company:</b>   | Theatre Rhinoceros  |
| Title:                       | The Shawl   |
|                              | By David Mamet  |
|                              | Directed by Libby O'Connell   |
|                              | With Will Brown, Jeanette Harrison and Matt Weimer  |
| Venue:                       | Theatre Rhinoceros, Studio  |
|                              | 2926 16 <sup>th</sup> Street (at South Van Ness; BART)  |
|                              | San Francisco, CA 94103   |
| Performances:                | February 21 - March 1, 2008   |
|                              | Thurs Sat. @ 8:00 PM (Six shows only)   |
| Preview:                     | 2/21 (No Press at the Preview Please)   |
| Press Performances:          | 2/22 - 2/23   |
| <b>RhinoCurious Nights</b> : | (See Reverse for Special Events and Discounts)  |
| Box Office:                  | (415) 861-5079  |
| TIX:                         | \$10 - \$12   |
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In conjunction with our Mainstage production of David Mamet's *Boston Marriage*, we present Mamet's other queer play *The Shawl* about a hustler, a medium and the woman they scam, or try to. It's a mini-Mamet festival, with the emphasis definitely on queer. It's the lesbians upstairs and the gay men downstairs as The Rhino does the highlights of the LGBT Mamet canon. Don't miss *The Shawl*, for two weeks only, opening February 21 in The Studio at Theatre Rhinoceros. David Mamet as you've never seen him before. Queer David Mamet!

Plot: A medium with a talent for hucksterism and his ruthless student meet with a woman who wants advice about her deceased mother's will. They plot to relieve her of the entire estate, but she tricks the medium into revealing what a charlatan he is. During the shock and pain of this moment, the medium experiences a revelation so profound that it changes the course of each character's life.

## RhinoCurious Nights Discounts and Special Events for "The Shawl"

Student Nights - Thursday 2/21 and Thursday 2/28: Students (of any age) with valid ID get in for \$5.00

Pre-Beat Night - Saturday 3/1: Introduction to the Play and Playwright @7:00 PM, with Executive Director John Fisher

Meet the Performers Night - Friday 2/29: Immediately Following the Show (Discussion Only is Free and Open to the Public – starts at about 9:00 PM)

**Theatre Rhinoceros**, America's longest running professional queer theatre, develops and produces works of theatre that enlighten, enrich, and explore both the ordinary and extraordinary aspects of our queer community.