

IMPACT THEATRE PRESENTS THE WORLD PREMIERE OF PETER SINN NACHTRIEB'S *COLORADO*, DIRECTED BY ELKHANAH PULTZER

BERKELEY, CA, SEPTEMBER 1, 2006—Impact Theatre continues its 2006-07 “Season of Sin” with the world premiere of *Colorado*, written by fast-rising Bay Area playwright Peter Sinn Nachtrieb (member of renowned Bay Area comedy troupe Killing My Lobster and writer of this summer’s hit play *Hunter Gatherers*) and directed by Elkhanah Pulitzer. *Colorado* opens **September 21, 2006** and plays **Thursday through Saturday at 8pm until October 28, 2006** at La Val’s Subterranean in Berkeley.

On the surface *Colorado* is a wickedly funny dark comedy, but at its heart is an examination of celebrity worship within one family. When 17-year-old Tracey Ackhart (**Adrienne Papp**) is crowned Miss Late Teen Colorado and then mysteriously vanishes one day before the national pageant, her entire family is thrown into a state of distress and turmoil. Her jealous stage mother (**Klahr Thorsen**), her doting father (**Jon Nagel**), and her Maury Povich-obsessed little brother (**Joshua Huston**) all have reasons to want her dead—if they weren’t so dependent on her success for their own misguided dreams of happiness.

Paul Walsh (former dramaturg and director of humanities at American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco) says of Nachtrieb, “It may be a coincidence that Peter’s middle name is sin, but certainly his dramatic vision is wickedly idiosyncratic... Peter writes with scandalous panache about the American family in crisis and the results are surprising, unnerving and hilarious, making him a writer to watch.”

Tickets for *Colorado* are \$15 general, \$10 student/senior/TBA members. For more information or reservations, please call 510-464-4468 or visit impacttheatre.com. Press photos in a variety of formats and PR archives can be found at impacttheatre.com/press.



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WHAT THE PRESS SAYS ABOUT PETER SINN NACHTRIEB:

“Nachtrieb is one of the freshest new voices going”—*Contra Costa Times*

“Nachtrieb possesses a savage wit while embracing the outrageous”—*Bay Area Reporter*

ABOUT IMPACT THEATRE

Impact Theatre’s mission is to fill an unmet need for community, storytelling, and direct experience for younger, underserved audiences in the San Francisco Bay Area. Over 80% of Impact’s audience is under 40 years old. Since 1996, Impact Theatre has been producing new plays by emerging playwrights that are relevant, interesting, and provocative.

FOR CALENDAR EDITORS

- PRODUCTION:** *Colorado*
Written by Peter Sinn Nachtrieb
Directed by Elkhanah Pulitzer
- WHEN:** September 21–October 28, 2006
Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays at 8pm
- WHERE:** Impact Theatre
La Val’s Subterranean
1834 Euclid Ave, Berkeley, CA 94709
- ADMISSION:** \$15 general / \$10 students/seniors/TBA
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