



## ABOUT TOWN

### MADLAB ANNOUNCES THE 9TH ANNUAL THEATRE ROULETTE 2008

MadLab presents the ninth annual Theatre Roulette 2008 A Festival of New Plays. Theatre Roulette is the annual festival of new works MadLab produces and promotes each spring. Based upon a model developed in 2000, Roulette consists of three nights of distinct programming that feature original work by playwrights, directors, technical crew, and actors.

Script submission for this year's festival was completed in December 2007 and the final choices were juried and announced later that month. From an amazing 999 submissions in this, Roulette's 9th year, MadLab ultimately selected 9 works from 9 different writers in 6 different states including 2 from Ohio. After auditions, 18 actors will take on 28 roles. Two actors will be appearing on MadLab's stage for the first time, while 16 returning actors have accepted roles. For 6 actors, this will be their first Roulette. 11 of MadLab's 26 Ensemble members accepted roles; many of them appear in multiple productions.

Theatre Roulette offers three distinct nights of programming. Each night of programming

plays every weekend on a different night (see schedule below).

Thursday	May 1	8p	Schisms
Friday	May 2	8p	Shylocks
Saturday	May 3	8p	Shenanigans
Thursday	May 8	8p	Shenanigans
Friday	May 9	8p	Schisms
Saturday	May 10	8p	Shylocks
Thursday	May 15	8p	Shylocks
Friday	May 16	8p	Shenanigans
Saturday	May 17	8p	Schisms
Thursday	May 22	8p	Schisms
Friday	May 23	8p	Shylocks
Saturday	May 24	2p	Schisms
Saturday	May 24	4p	Shylocks
Saturday	May 24	8p	Shenanigans

**SCHISMS** — *Dead dogs, prostitutes, and sharks. Kinda like my old neighborhood.*

**"Schisms"** featuring *Postcards From A Dead Dog* by F. J. Hartland, directed by Michelle Batt *This Bird* by Paul North, directed by Chris Lane *The Raft* by Kristyn Leigh Robinson, directed by Peter Graybeal

**SHYLOCKS** — *A TV psychic, a creepy family and a wisecracking detective. This could get a little weird. Make that a lot weird.*

**"Shylocks"** featuring *Dark North* by David Skeeel, directed by Andy Batt. *Noir Lite* by Richard Martin Hirsch, directed by Linda O'Donnell

**Shenanigans** — *What we got here is... failure to communicate. "Shenanigans"* featuring *Duet for Virtual Particles* by William Borden, directed by Jim Azelvandre; *The Rental* by Mark Harvey Levine, directed by Sarah Brunet; *The Memo* by Greg Vovos, directed by Ric Shoemaker; *Dr. Wu Has Been Eliminated* by John Busser, directed by Josh Kessler, Ric Shoemaker, David Thonnings and Stephen Woosley

All performances are at MadLab (105 N Grant Ave), [www.madlab.net](http://www.madlab.net). Ticket prices are \$10-15 (sliding scale), \$8 for students, and seniors, \$6 for MadLab members. For reservations or questions call 614.221.5418 or email [publicity@madlab.net](mailto:publicity@madlab.net).



Echoes in Time Theatre at the Ohio Historical Center will be presenting "Pull Up a Step and Have a Cup of Joe" of May 1, 8, 22 and 29.

The year is 1933: the stock market is down; prices are up; the housing market has gone south; and Mildred Wagoner's husband is out

Robin Schurict of Buckeye Lake, Ohio, portrays Mildred. The 30-minute, solo performance takes place twice each evening at 7p and 8p.

The performance is free with admission to

### HISTORY COMES ALIVE WITH ECHOES IN TIME THEATRE OHIO HISTORICAL CENTER PRESENTS *PULL UP A STEP AND HAVE A CUP OF JOE*

of job. Pull up a step in front of the row house apartment where Mildred lives with her husband and newly moved-in, brother-in-law and his wife. Listen to Mildred as she drinks her coffee and catches you up on the latest news and gossip of the neighborhood.

the Ohio Historical Center, which is \$7/adults, \$3/students and free for OHS members and children 5 years old and under. Parking is \$4 for nonmembers. For more information, visit [www.ohiohistory.org](http://www.ohiohistory.org) or call 614.297.2300 or 800.686.6124.

*The Ohio Historical Center is located on I-71 and 17th Avenue. It is one of 59 historic museums and sites operated by the Ohio Historical Society, a nonprofit organization that serves as the state's partner in preserving and interpreting Ohio's history, archaeology and natural history.*

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