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**Oberon Theatre Ensemble**  
**Brad Fryman, Artistic Director**  
Presents

## **WINTER REP 08**

**MACBETH by William Shakespeare + GHOST ON FIRE by Michael Weller**

**Performances begin Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**The Lion Theatre on Theatre Row, 410 West 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (between 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Aves.)**

January 22, 2008 – Oberon Theatre Ensemble will present their annual winter show: **WINTER REP 08**. This year the company presents Shakespeare's classic tragedy **MACBETH** in rep with Michael Weller's **GHOST ON FIRE**. Performances begin on February 14<sup>th</sup> at Theatre Row (410 West 42<sup>nd</sup> Street); see below for the complete schedule.

The first show, **MACBETH**, begins on February 14<sup>th</sup>. A lean, taut, vibrant **MACBETH** that aims to break through four centuries of silly superstitions and conventional heaviness surrounding the play and reclaim the original story for today's audiences. The director will be Philip Atlakson, a screenwriter (and Writers Guild of America member) who has written for Paramount Pictures, Robert Redford, and 20th Century Fox Studios. His theater credits include directing his own plays in Seattle and New York, including the well-received *Leapfrog Through Time And Space* ("Atlakson is an adept playwright and director." – The New York Times). The cast for **MACBETH** will be Claire Anderson, Gabe Bettio, Mac Brydon, Devon Butler, Brian D. Coats, Sarah Ecton-Luttrell, John Gardner, Allison Goldberg, James Holloway, William Laney, Jonathan Pereira, David McLellan, Cliff Jewell, Grace Pettijohn, Eden Teagle, Laura Siner, and Paula Wilson.

**GHOST ON FIRE** by Michael Weller begins February 21<sup>st</sup>. It tells the story of a trio of friends who worked together in their student days making films they hoped would change the world; now, fifteen years later, they are nostalgic for their lost idealism and unhappy with the choices they have made in the "real world." As the events of the play unfold, they are each, in their different ways, forced to confront their compromise, their failed aspirations, and their mortality, and challenged to reclaim what is best in themselves. The director for **GHOST ON FIRE** will be Eric Parness, whose previous work for Oberon includes *Finding Louise*, *The Winter's Tale*, and *Of Mice and Men* (named "One of the Top Ten Shows in New York of 2003" by Theatermania.com). Other New York directing credits include Jean Cocteau Rep, Boomerang Theatre Company and Ensemble Studio Theatre. The cast will be Brianne Berkson, Brian D. Coats, Jane Courtney, Jarel Davidow, Craig Fitzpatrick, Brad Fryman, Don Harvey, Angus Hepburn, and Linda Larkin.

Each season Oberon Theatre Ensemble combines classic, contemporary, and new works in a format that allows each to highlight and enhance the other. The company juxtaposes new against old in a single evening or in a repertory schedule, with an ensemble of actors and directors nimbly jumping from one world to another to draw the audience fully into the experience. Since they began in 1998, the company previously paired Shakespeare, Chekhov and Ibsen with plays by Ryan J-W Smith, Christopher Durang and Cindy Lou Johnson, among others.

The complete schedule for **WINTER REP 08** is below. Performances begin on February 14<sup>th</sup> and continue through March 9<sup>th</sup>. The schedule will be Thursdays through Saturdays at 8PM, and Sundays at 3PM, with Wednesdays and Saturdays at 2PM beginning on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$20, \$13.75 for students and seniors. Tickets may be purchased by calling TicketCentral at 212-279-4200, or online at [www.ticketcentral.com](http://www.ticketcentral.com). For more about the company visit [www.oberontheatre.org](http://www.oberontheatre.org).

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February/March 2008						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
				14 MACBETH 8pm	15 MACBETH 8pm	16 MACBETH 8pm
17 MACBETH 3pm	18	19	20	21 GHOST ON FIRE 8pm	22 GHOST ON FIRE 8pm	23 GHOST ON FIRE 8pm
24 GHOST ON FIRE 3pm	25	26 MACBETH 8pm	27 MACBETH 2pm & 8pm	28 GHOST ON FIRE 8pm	29 GHOST ON FIRE 8pm	1 GHOST ON FIRE 2pm MACBETH 8pm
2 MACBETH 3pm	3	4 GHOST ON FIRE 8pm	5 GHOST ON FIRE 2pm & 8pm	6 MACBETH 8pm	7 MACBETH 8pm	8 MACBETH 2pm GHOST ON FIRE 8pm
9 GHOST ON FIRE 3pm						

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