

Abandoned Property

By Shulamit Lapid

Play: 694

Opening: 16/03/2006

Directed by Itkiz Weingarten

Designed by Frida Shoham

Music by Eldad Lidor

Lighting by Meir Alon

CAST

Tony Bet-Arie Gila Almagor

Elinor, her firstborn daughter Hila Feldamn

Aliza, her young daughter Rotem Zisman

After the village council promised them a new house in the village, 17 year old Elinor and 15 year old Aliza are filled with hope for a new beginning. The hope to untangle themselves from the poverty and loneliness forced on them by their mother, Tony Beit-Arie, who, finding it difficult to relinquish the ruin she calls home, attempts to bodily stop the bulldozers from turning it into a new road. The mother is immersed in past memories, and illusions of turning the ruin into a palace for her husband and daughters and starting a wonderful and happy new life for them all. Yet, the husband is long gone and the ruin is left standing as 'abandoned property' to which she has enslaved her misery and daughters. Now, the struggle between mother and daughters raises yet again the old anxieties and hopes of those who throughout the years have themselves become 'abandoned property'