

Romance

By David Mamet

Play: 603

Opening: 10/02/2007

Translated by Yosef El-Dror

Directed by Moni Moshonov

Designed by Alexandra Nardi

Music by Ran Bagno

Lighting by Meir Alon

CAST

Judge Moni Moshonov

Prosecutor Michael Koresh

Defendant Ami Smolarchik

Defense Attorney Uri Hochman

Doctor Robert Hoenig

Bernard, the prosecutors lover Yonatan Rozen

Bailiff Rudi Seada/Uri Avrahami

The new David Mamet play is a dazed courthouse comedy mocking everybody: lawyers and judges, Arabs and Jews, gays and chiropractors. Its fall, hay fever runs rampant and the Judge is crazily gulping pills which render him nearly senile. The Jewish chiropractor has an anti-Semitic defense attorney; the prosecutor has a hysteric lover who hounds him up to the courthouse. Everybody hates the Jews and fears the Arabs, is apoplectic of gays and is eaten up by guilt. At the same time, a few blocks from there, another Israeli-Palestine Peace convention is taking place and it seems these two events are connected. With a stroke of a master artist David Mamet, 'Pulitzer' prize winner, paints a microcosm in which shameless grovelling, petty prejudice and simple whims set the agenda, and the justice system deteriorates to a self righteous sacrilege.