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## **COMING THIS SEASON...**

A Psychological Thriller of Shakespearean Proportions

### **OTHELLO**

**Sept. 24 – Oct. 21, 2010**

**Hanna Theatre, PlayhouseSquare**

Shakespeare's supreme villain meets literature's most tragic hero in one of the greatest dramas of all time. After being passed over for a military promotion and suspecting his wife's infidelity with the man responsible for his slight, vengeance drives the duplicitous Iago to plant potent seeds of doubt in the mind of the Moor. Will Othello fall into Iago's evil trap and forsake his wife, the innocent Desdemona? Culminating in Shakespeare's most powerful scene, Othello weaves a tragic tapestry of jealousy, trust and betrayal.

*Wilde's Wittiest Comic Ride*

### **AN IDEAL HUSBAND**

**Sept. 24 – Oct. 31, 2010**

**Hanna Theatre, PlayhouseSquare**

Romantic, clever and marvelously convoluted, this Oscar Wilde comedy of manners insightfully examines the crossroads where money, power and ethics collide. Sir Robert Chiltern, a rising political star and a pillar of virtue, is an ideal husband for the charming Lady Chiltern. But when the enchanting and conniving Mrs. Cheveley returns from abroad threatening to reveal a dark secret from Sir Chiltern's past, a brewing scandal impends to destroy both his career and marriage. Wilde's wit takes center stage, rambunctiously holding a mirror up to nature while wreaking havoc on its occupants, in a deliciously decadent comedy that disarms and delights.

*Northeast Ohio's Favorite Holiday Tradition*

### **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

**December 3-23, 2010**

**Ohio Theatre, PlayhouseSquare**

Open your heart to Charles Dickens' classic tale of one man's ultimate redemption. One of northeast Ohio's favorite holiday traditions, A Christmas Carol is a perfect gift of theater for children and adults of all ages. Celebrate the season with the ones you love.

*A Riotously Irreverent Romp*

**THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)**

**march 11 - 27, 2011**

**Hanna Theatre, PlayhouseSquare**

Three ambitious actors, clad in classic Converse tennis shoes and armed with an outrageous assortment of outerwear and props, cram the Bard's entire canon of plays (and sonnets!) into two hours of sheer Elizabethan-esque ecstasy. Need we say more? Buckle your seatbelts. It's going to be a bumpy ride. One of London's longest running comedies, this endearingly irreverent and lightning-paced romp through the greatest plays of all time will have you rolling with laughter and jumping in the aisles. Perhaps *The Today Show* captured its spirit best when they said, "If you like Shakespeare, you'll like this show. If you hate Shakespeare, you'll *love* this show!"

*Shakespeare's Doubly-Delightful Romantic Comedy*

**THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA**

**april 8 - 23, 2011**

**Hanna Theatre, PlayhouseSquare**

Bosom buddies Valentine and Proteus are Verona's closest comrades, but their friendship is put to the ultimate test when Proteus forsakes his beloved Julia and competes for the affections of Valentine's newfound love, the strong-willed Silvia. Teeming with high comic scenes and rich, romantic language, *Two Gents* displays Shakespeare's copious comic powers at their hilarious height. And in Proteus, the role for which Tom Hanks won the Cleveland Critics' Circle Award for Best Actor, the Bard gives us one of his most memorable theatrical creations.