

For Immediate Release**SNAP! Productions to mount the play *Compleat Female Stage Beauty***

This is the perfect play for uncertain times. Many people today are finding it necessary to rethink their careers and reinvent themselves—the same position in which the protagonist of Jeffrey Hatcher’s COM- PLEAT FEMALE STAGE BEAUTY finds himself.

Restoration actor, Edward Kynaston is the toast of 17th Century London, excelling in all female stage roles. In the course of just one day, however, he is left jobless, friendless and penniless when King Charles II decrees that henceforth, men will no longer be allowed to play women’s roles. Kynaston is forced to come to grips with his reversal of fortune and, with some help in high (and low) places, must turn it around. The audience becomes an integral part of the plot as they witness the “plays within plays” of this bawdy, funny, poignant and fast moving script.

M. Michele Phillips will direct this comedy/drama and is very fortunate to have assembled a cast that includes SNAP! veterans Matt Allen, Jennifer Gilg, Connie Lee, Thomas Lowe, Denny Maddux, David Mainelli, Colleen O’Doherty, Michal Simpson, Brain Callaghan and Randy Vest, as well as talented and professional newcomers to the SNAP! stage—Shannon Jaxies and Ashley Spessard. In a tribute to the gender-bending theme of the play, Colleen and Ashley will be playing a variety of male and female roles.

SNAP! is pleased to welcome back Costume Designer, Lindsay Pape—Theatre Professor and Designer at Creighton University. We’re also excited about the opportunity to work with internationally renown produc- tion and lighting designer, Mike Runice. Rounding out the production staff are SNAP! stalwarts Mark Cramer (Producer), Rhonda Hall (Props) and Jeff Nelson (Set Crew Chief).

Buy your tickets now for this historically riveting comedy/drama. *Compleat Female Stage Beauty*, will run from March 5 – 29, 2009 at 3225 California Street. Curtain times are 8:00 pm, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 6:00 pm on Sundays. The Sunday, March 29th show will start at 2:00 pm. The theater opens a half hour before cur- tain time.

Reservations may be made by calling 402-341-2757 or on the **SNAP!** Productions website: www.snapproductions.com. Tickets are \$15.00, general admission; \$12.00, students, senior citizens, and TAG members. Groups of 5 or more need to pay in advance. The performances on March 12, 19 and 26 will have our *New Thursday Special Pricing* of only \$10.00.

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

CONTACTS: M. Michele Phillips, *Director* (402) 934-9695, mPhillips@andersonpartners.com or mmichelephillips@cox.net

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PRODUCTION DATES: March 5 - 29, 2009

March 5 will be a TAG Night Out Scholarship Fundraiser.

VENUE: 3225 California Street

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PHOTOS: Available to download from our web site: www.snapproductions.com

CAST MEMBERS INCLUDE:

<u>ROLE</u>	<u>ACTOR</u>
Lord Sedley	Matt Allen
Nell Gwynn	Jennifer Gilg
Maria	Shannon Jaxies
Mrs. Hughes	Connie Lee
Samuel Pepys	Thomas Lowe
King Charles II	Denny Maddux
George Villiers, Duke of Buckingham	David Mainelli
Miss. Frayne (and additional)	Collen O'Doherty
Edward Kynaston	Michal Simpson
Miss Meresvale (and additional)	Ashley Spessard
Thomas Betterton	Randy Vest
Ruffian	Brian Callaghan

PRODUCTION STAFF:

Director	M. Michele Phillips	Stage Manager	Brian Callaghan
Producer	Mark Cramer	Set Design	M. Michele Phillips
Light Designer	Mike Runice	Properties	Rhonda Hall
Costume Designer	Lindsay Pape	Set Chief Crew	Jeff Nelson
Box Office	Liz Heim	Publicity	Todd Brooks
Marketing/Advertising	Mark Cramer	Dressers	Liz Heim, Pat Thomas
Sound Designers	M. Michele Phillips, Mark Cramer		

MISSION: SNAP! Productions is a nonprofit theatre organization with the mission to provide Educational and Humanistic Support of AIDS-Related Programs and to Promote Understanding and Acceptance of All Members of the Community Through Artistic Expression.