

Fighting Over Beverley

by

Israel Horovitz

Directed by Brendon Fox

Pacific Stages presents
The Salon Staged Readings

Producer
Jeryll W Adler

Associate Producer
Jelayne Miles

Cast of Characters in order of appearance

Beverley Shimma.....Salome Jens
Archie Bennett.....Peter Van Norden
Zelly Shimma.....John Getz
Cecily Shimma.....Jordan Baker
Stage DirectionsEmmelyn Thayer

Jordan Baker [Cecily Shimma] is best known for creating the role of "C" in the off-Broadway production of Edward Albee's Pulitzer Prize winning play *Three Tall Women*. She received a Theatre World Award for her Broadway debut opposite Elizabeth Ashley in Tennessee Williams' *Suddenly, Last Summer*. She is a company member of Pacific Resident Theatre in Venice, CA and Pacific Stages. On television she currently has recurring roles on *The O.C.* for FOX, *Still Standing* for CBS and the upcoming series with Julia Louis-Dreyfus, *Old Christine* for CBS.

John Getz [Zelly Shimma] has appeared in productions at Manhattan Theater Club, The Arena Stage, The New York Shakespeare Festival at Lincoln Center and at The Delacorte Theater, Baltimore's Center Stage, and many others. Most recently he was Trigorin in *The Seagull* at The Old Globe in San Diego and Orgon in *Tartuffe* at La Jolla Playhouse. He appeared on Broadway in *M. Butterfly*, in the movies *Blood Simple*, *The Fly*, *Born On The Fourth Of July* and many more film and television programs.

Salome Jens [Beverley Shimma] started her career on the New York stage and has appeared in many off-Broadway and on Broadway productions, as well as in television and movies. She is currently directing a new play, *Bad Hurt on Cedar Street* at the Tiffany Theater in Los Angeles and is an Assistant Associate Professor at UCLA. Salome is a company member of Pacific Stages.

Peter Van Norden [Archie Bennett] most recently appeared in *Major Barbara* at San Jose Rep. (Bay Area Theatre Critics Award for best performance), *Misalliance* at Center Stage, Baltimore and *King Lear* at San Diego Rep. Film credits include: *The Accused* (opposite Oscar winner, Jody Foster); *Police Academy 2*; and *Naked Gun 2 ½*. TV: Stephen King's mini-series, *The Stand*; and dozens of episodics, including recurring roles on *L.A. Law*, *Murder, She Wrote*, and *Life Goes On*. Peter is a company member of Pacific Stages, and makes his second appearance in the Salon Series.

Brendon Fox [Director] is currently the Associate Producer at LA Theatre Works, and formerly the Associate Director of The Old Globe Theatre in San Diego. He has also worked at Merrimack Repertory Theatre, L.A Shakespeare Festival, and the Juilliard School. He is very happy to be working with this group of artists. You can learn more about Brendon at www.foxdirector.com.

Pacific Stages
The Salon Series

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Our September Salon features Israel Horovitz' FIGHTING OVER BEVERLEY. The entire action of the play is contained in the living room of the home of Beverley and Zelly Shimma, overlooking the Inner Harbor, Gloucester, Massachusetts.

Israel Horovitz is the writer of over fifty produced plays, including THE INDIAN WANTS THE BRONX, PARK YOUR CAR IN HARVARD YARD and THE PRIMARY ENGLISH CLASS. His numerous awards include two OBIE's, an EMMY, the Prix du Jury of the Cannes Film Festival, the Drama Desk Award, an Award in Literature from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, and a Lifetime Achievement Award from B'nai Brith. Mr. Horovitz is founder and Artistic Director of Gloucester Stage Company, and the New York Playwrights Lab.

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We welcome you all.
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