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## Little Theatre presents David Mamet's gripping drama, *Oleanna*

The Little Theatre of Fall River proudly presents its winter Firebarn production, *Oleanna*, by David Mamet, starring Robert Duquette and Rachael Tondreault. Described as a piece of "theater ice" by playwright Harold Pinter, *Oleanna* is seen as an impassioned response to the Clarence Thomas Supreme Court hearings in the early 1990s. The audience may remember the accusation by a young female law clerk in Thomas' office, Anita Hill, who claimed that Thomas had sexually harassed her. It proved a riveting bit of television for several weeks, but in the end, Thomas won his seat on the Court, albeit under a shadow. *Oleanna* explores some of these timely themes, turning them into riveting drama.

In talking about her cast, director Linda Monchik describes them as having "...enough courage to tackle not only the thorny issues of *Oleanna* but also Mamet's rapid-fire dialogue. Both Rachael and Bob, who are playing the student Carol and the professor John, are accomplished and come equipped with the necessary acting training needed. In addition they are passionate and care deeply about the truth and honesty of the play. We are very fortunate to have them."

*Oleanna* opens at the Firebarn on January 22 and runs through February 1. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday performances are at 7:30, and Sunday matinees are at 2. *Oleanna* is an adult-themed show. Single tickets are \$16, with discounts available for seniors and students. \$10 Student Rush tickets will be available 1/2 hour before the production on Opening Night. For reservations and information, please call the Little Theatre Box Office at 508 677-0590. Credit cards are accepted for on-line purchase @ [littletheatre.net](http://littletheatre.net). Check the web site for information on upcoming productions.