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EYES CATCH FIRE

by Jason Hall. Directed by Daniel Nyman. Designed by Kathryn Nicholson.

Cast includes: Kate Burdette . Maria Corcobado. Carla DuBois. Diana Larsen. Alex Lanipekun . Ursula

Mohan. Atesh Salih. Naomi Taylor.

THE WORLD PREMIERE OF THE AWARD-WINNING NEW CANADIAN PLAY

"Evil happens in the human heart. Deepest jungle or biggest city...the place don't matter. It's in the heart of a person where the wickedness burns."

On the day of her son's baptism, Mary Caldiera receives the one guest she least wants to see. Herself. Forced to revisit the past by a vision of herself at fifteen, Mary is vividly transported back to her youth. But as the events of an unimaginable tragedy begin to unfold all over again, will she be able to keep her memories repressed? Or will the Caldiera Family discover the truth about the desires and betrayalss that tore their family apart over a decade ago...

Eyes Catch Fire is a daring new drama that fragments time and shifts reality to tell the highly personal story of a family's destruction - while also exposing the larger, political implications of immigration and post-colonial life. The play spans two decades, transporting the audience from the freezing suburbs of Canada to the scorching wilderness of British Guyana.

London-based playwright Jason Hall won Canada's prestigious Herman Voaden Playwriting Award with *Eyes Catch Fire* - awarded biennially to a Canadian playwright for a single outstanding work. The play has subsequently been workshopped on both sides of the Atlantic. His latest play, *GBS*, is currently being produced in Toronto.

PRESS NIGHT: THURSDAY, JUNE 3RD 2004 AT 8.30PM PHOTOCALL: TUESDAY, JUNE 1ST 2004 AT 1.00PM-1.30PM

Finborough Theatre, The Finborough, 118 Finborough Road, London SW10 9ED (Five minutes from Earl's Court Underground and West Brompton Underground and National Rail) Box Office 020 7373 3842 www.finboroughtheatre.co.uk

Tuesday, June 1st-Saturday, June 26th 2004

Tuesday to Saturday Evenings at 8.30pm. Sunday Matinees at 4.30pm.

Tickets £10, £8 concessions. Tuesday Evenings £8 all seats. Saturday evenings £10 all seats.

Previews (June 1st and 2nd) £8 all seats.

Performance Length: Approximately 2 hours.

Europe plays concurrently with Eyes Catch Fire – see both plays for £15, £13 concessions.

For more information, interviews and images, please contact

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