

# new THEATRE

*New Voices – New Work*

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*At the Burstein Family Stage*

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**Editor's Note:**

**Theatre critics are invited to attend Opening Night performances, Saturday, November 15 at 8 pm.**

***Photo Attached:*** Valentina Izarra; Photo by Ricky J. Martinez

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

## ***“THE GATES OF CHOICE” GETS ITS WORLD PREMIERE AT NEW THEATRE***

New Theatre continues with its second World Premiere of the season with Michelle Rosenfarb's coming of age drama, *The Gates of Choice* making its World debut on November 13, 2008. Set in Israel's Ultra Orthodox quarter of Mea Shearim, a Hasidic young woman facing an arranged marriage finds refuge and answers in a taboo relationship to the secular world. Fueled by her curious nature and longing for identity, she delves further to find "the truth" forming the foundation of her religion, her community, and her family.

Ms. Rosenfarb is a recipient of the Emerging Artist Foster Fellowship granted by the Broward County Cultural Arts Foundation and winner of the 17th Annual Florida Playwright Competition. Ms. Rosenfarb is a local playwright and will be present on the opening weekend and will be available for interviews.

Under the direction of New Theatre's Artistic Director, Ricky J. Martinez, New Theatre veterans, Bill Schwartz (known to many as retired City of Miami Police Lieutenant William Schwartz), Kim Ehly and recent Shakespeare's *As You Like It* apprentice, David Sirois and return to form part of an outstanding cast with Valentina Izarra and Laura Turnbull, both making their New Theatre debut. Returning to New Theatre will be Production Stage Manager Clint Hooper, Costume Designer K. Blair Brown and making his New Theatre debut, Scenic & Lighting Designer Dudley Pinder.

# November 13 - December 14, 2008

(Press Opening- Saturday, November 15)

Performances Thursday through Saturdays at 8 pm  
Sunday at 1 pm. Additional Sunday 5:30 pm on November 23, 30 and December 7.

## **Ticket & Subscription information:**

Preview- Thursday, November 13 at 8 pm: \$ 20  
Thursdays & Sunday evenings \$ 35, All other performances: \$ 40

4 play Flexible Season pass: \$ 120  
A SAVINGS of 25% off the regular ticket price.

Student Rush tickets available for students (under 25 with valid I.D.) for \$ 15, at the door no earlier than 1 hour prior to curtain. Subject to availability.

## **Location:**

New Theatre is located in Coral Gables, just one block from Village of Merrick Park at  
4120 Laguna Street, Coral Gables, Florida 33146

## **Contact:**

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Or visit [www.new-theatre.org](http://www.new-theatre.org)

## **About New Theatre**

**Ricky J. Martinez, Artistic Director**  
**Eileen Suarez, Managing Director**

New Theatre was founded in 1986 and is dedicated to the development and production of new works. The theatre has brought the national premieres of more than 30 plays by early- and mid-career American playwrights to South Florida, including New Theatre-commissioned *Anna in the Tropics*, winner of a Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

New Theatre receives major season support from the City of Coral Gables, the Miami Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, the Affairs Council, the Mayor, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and The Florida State Department's Division of Cultural Affairs of Florida. Additional project support is received from Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, Catering by Lovables, Florida Power and Light, The Melvin C. and Nancy Morgenstern and The Manny & Ruthy Cohen Foundation, The Roblee Foundation, The Audrey Love Charitable Trust Foundation, The Burstein Family Foundation, The William J. and Tina Rosenberg Foundation, The Max Minsky & Florence Goldstein Foundation, The Sitkin Family Foundation, BankAtlantic Foundation, American Express Foundation and The Blair H. & Lee D. Temkin Foundation.

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