



ANNOUNCING OPEN AUDITIONS

for a February production of

Lifespan of a Fact

By Jeremy Kareken, David Murrell and Gordon Farrell

Directed by Laurie Larson

October 18th & 19th at 6:30PM

(callbacks, if necessary, October 20th at 6:30)

At Home Made Theater's Wilton Mall headquarters, near JCPenney

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Synopsis

Lifespan of a Fact (play) is based on a real-life essay, *What Happens There*, written by John D'Agata, that took seven years to be fact checked. This piece was commissioned for and rejected by *Harper's Magazine* but later picked up by *Believer Magazine* with the condition that Jim Fingal complete a fact check of D'Agata's essay. The thrust of the play is the summary of discussions, arguments, negotiations, and revisions that took place over this seven year period. *Lifespan of a Fact* invites audiences to consider the deadly serious but briskly entertaining debate of the ethics of factual truth vs. the beauty of literary dishonesty.

For the Audition

Please bring a current photo (cannot be returned) and a resume. Auditions will be from the script (sides will be provided). No appointment necessary. Please bring a list of all conflicts from the first rehearsal through performances. With the exception of tech week and performances, conflicts can be worked around *if known about in advance*.

Rehearsal Schedule

Rehearsals will be Sundays from 2:00-5:00PM and Mondays through Thursdays from 6:30-9:30PM, starting on Tuesday, January 3rd. Tech week begins on Sunday, February 5th.

Performances

February 10th -12th and 17th-19th. Performances are 7:30 on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:00 on Saturdays and Sundays (Saturday is a two show day). Performances will be at the Dee Sarno Theater, in Saratoga Arts (320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs).

Character Breakdown – *All age ranges are approximate. This is a general guideline.*

Roles are open to all ethnicities and gender identities.

Jim Fingal — Age range 25-35. A determined young employee of a prestigious magazine tasked with the small jobs of fact checking articles before publishing. His editor Emily gives him the job of fact-checking a ground breaking piece by the unorthodox and legendary author John D Agata.

John D Agata – Age range 35+. A talented writer of a profound essay about the suicide of a teenage boy. John s brilliantly written essay is meant to save the magazine from collapse yet is riddled with literary dishonesty.

Emily Penrose – Age range 35+. A no-nonsense and demanding editor trying to save her magazine from collapse. She struggles with trying to maintain her magazine s reputation and artistic freedom.

For further information visit Home Made Theater's website, www.HomeMadeTheater.org, or call (518)-587-4427.