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LOUISVILLE, Ky. – Classic tragedy, comedy and historical drama are featured during the 2011-12 season for the University of Louisville's Department of Theatre Arts.

Here's an overview of the upcoming season productions:

- “Richard III,” a modern mind wreaks havoc in a medieval setting in William Shakespeare's historical tragedy. Director Rinda Frye, theater department chair, stages the “winter of discontent” of the charismatic trickster as he rises and falls through megalomania, paranoia and corruption at the Thrust Theatre, Oct. 5-9.
- “The Flu Season,” Will Eno's provocative dark comedy is a love story set in a hospital where the care givers are every bit as odd as the patients. Directed by James Tompkins, associate theater professor, the play will be presented at the Thrust Theatre, Nov. 16-20.
- “Mad at Miles: A Black Woman's Guide to Truth,” by Pearl Cleage, evokes the indignation, love, happiness and suffering of domestic abuse with singing, dancing, humor and dialogue. The production, directed by Lundean Thomas, theater professor and director of the African American Theatre Program (AATP), will be held at the Thrust Theatre, Nov. 30-Dec. 4.
- “Blues for an Alabama Sky,” a poignant drama by Pearl Cleage, examines the struggles of friends to achieve their dreams amidst the harsh realities of Harlem during the Great Depression. Directed by Nefertiti Burton, associate theater professor, the AATP production will be presented at the Thrust Theatre, Feb. 1-5, 2012.
- “Atomic Bombers,” written and directed by Russell Vandenbroucke, theater professor, dramatizes the story of an extraordinary group of international scientists racing the Nazis to make an atomic bomb. Told through the wry perspective of wisecracking physicist Richard Feynman at the Thrust Theatre, Feb. 28-March 4, 2012.

An additional play is planned for April 18-22.

All plays begin at 8 p.m. with additional 3 p.m. Sunday matinees. The Playhouse is at 1911 S. Third St., and Thrust is at 2314 S. Floyd St. Season tickets are \$60 for the general public, \$50 for UofL employees and those age 65 and older and \$40 for students. Individual show tickets are \$12 for the general public, \$10 for faculty and staff, or \$8 for students and senior citizens. For tickets and information, call 502-852-6814 or visit <http://louisville.edu/theatrearts>.

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