

# City Centre Theatre Productions Inc.

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## New Theatre Company on the Block!

### City Centre Theatre Productions announces 2001-2002 Season

**Toronto, Ontario...** Artistic Director **Randy Leslie** unveiled the details of *City Centre Theatre Productions Inc.*, a new company **bridging the gap between theatre and the community**, at affordable prices in the 'centre' of the city.

Randy Leslie  
Artistic Director

"City Centre will provide challenging theatre to audiences and turn it into a real and tangible experience," ventured **Randy Leslie**. "We will provide opportunities for actors, writers, directors, technicians and designers to help them in their future careers. At least one evening per production will be offered to a charitable organization and it is the company's intent to dedicate annually at least one bursary to a student in a Secondary School theatre discipline. We believe theatre should bring people together from all backgrounds, experiences and cultures, developing and exploring theatrical events that will challenge conventional perceptions and boundaries."

Jan Francies  
Associate Artistic  
Director

Leslie envisioned the 2001-2002 season as an adventure of the human spirit, where each character has a story to tell and where we, the audience, will see a little of ourselves in all they do.

Lee Trian  
Production Manager

The Season opens with **Shirley Valentine**, a hilarious, moving and honest play that hit London and New York by storm. A thrilling cheer raging piece of theatre. In April, the explosive and exciting **Equus** takes centre stage. The season closes with **The Elephant Man**, a purely theatrical beast with a passionate vitality — a drama of soaring beauty.

Paddy Cardarelli  
Sponsorship Manager

**Shirley Valentine** by Willy Russell  
Directed by Jan Francies

October 4 - **SOLD OUT**  
October 5 - 13, 2001  
George Ignatieff Theatre

A witty and poignantly hilarious mid-life journey, starring Malorie Mandolidis who has portrayed many lead roles from her professional debut as Anne Shirley in Charlottetown's Anne of Green Gables to her numerous professional credits throughout Canada.

Mike Scott  
Publicity/Marketing

**Equus** by Peter Shaffer  
Directed by Jan Francies

April 4 - 13, 2002  
George Ignatieff Theatre

A disturbed young man and a court appointed psychiatrist battling demons of his own.

Lois Stephenson  
Administrator

**The Elephant Man** by Bernard Pomerance  
Directed by Randy Leslie

June 13 - 22, 2002  
George Ignatieff Theatre

A powerful and uplifting statement on the strength of the human spirit.

Meg Wilkie  
Fundraising and  
Special Events

The George Ignatieff Theatre is located at 15 Devonshire Place just south of Varsity Stadium (St. George/Museum Subway).

A **Season Package** of three shows for City Centre's 2001-2002 Season may be purchased for \$50/Adults or \$40/Students & Seniors by calling **416-265-3824**.

Single tickets for each production are \$20/Adults & \$16/Students & Seniors.

**For further information on Group Bookings, fund raising evenings and sponsorship (individual or corporate) please call the number below.**

**Randy Leslie**  
Artistic Director  
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