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Crazy And A Half

LIZ IVERSEN, Derek Anderson, Treena Neil and Nicholas D'Angelo are all students of acclaimed acting coach Warren Robertson and have come together through Liz Iversen's dream of creating her own ensemble theatre company, "like the famous Steppenwolf in Chicago." With that said, the cast is enthused to have such a talented and experienced team of guest artists on board including director Lynna Goldhar, lighting designer Michael Schaldemose, sound designer Bill Moysey, set designers Lance Cardinal & Jeff Cox and stage manager Kirsti Mikoda. Liz, who is not only acting in the show but also producing it, says, "We've got heart! And I believe that the heart is going to connect." Crazy? They hope not.

Divided into East and West Coast sensibilities, the first half collectively called "New York Crazy," involves two therapists competing for their shrink's last appointment, a divorced couple in a custody battle and a shy-but-gun-toting Mafia wife demanding that her therapist make her happy. "California Crazy" shifts to the West, where an

annoyed psychiatrist tries to end therapy with a burnt-out rock star, a quirky young woman shares her insights about love and a married couple with intergalactic problems seek treatment with a husband and wife team who are on the verge of divorce themselves.

The playwright D. R. Andersen is the recipient of the Jane Chambers Playwriting Award for his play *O Promise Me!* and the Cummings/Taylor Playwriting Award and the Theater-of-the-Arts Playwriting Prize for *Funny Valentines* produced in Canada as *DROLE DE VALENTIN*. *Crazy And A Half* is D. R. Andersen's most recent work and our Crazy And A Half team is wildly insane about working on it!

*We are excited to announce a talk back session with the playwright, D. (Dennis) R. Andersen & Company after our Friday, June 10 performance.



**Six therapists.
Six patients.
Six insane one act plays.
A sly look at the way
love drives everyone
just a little 'crazy.'**

Performances are June 1 to 12 at Studio 16, 1545 West 7th Avenue, Vancouver, on Tuesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. - \$15; Saturday Matinees at 2:00 p.m. - \$10; Sunday matinees at 2:00 p.m. - pay what you can. For information, check out our website www.aumentare.com or call 604.813.9409.



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