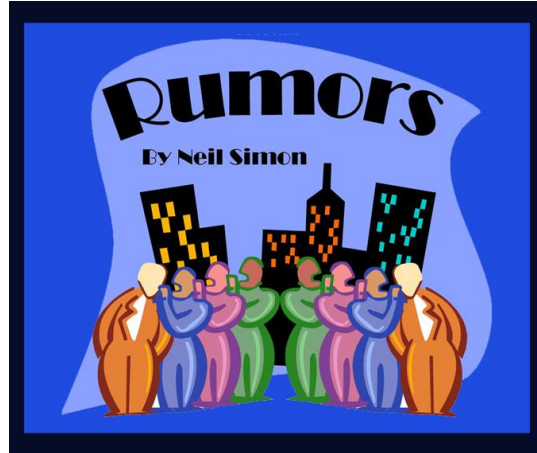


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The Gossip Stops Here at the Covina Center for the Performing Arts as Neil Simon's *RUMORS* Plays May 13 thru June 12, 2011

(Covina, CA ...April 28, 2011) –Neil Simon's *RUMORS* opens at the Covina Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) May 13 and plays through June 12. Performance times are 8 PM Friday and Saturday with 2 PM matinees on Sundays.

Neil Simon, America's premiere comic playwright, brings his ability to take a serious situation and turn it into a comical one with the play *RUMORS*.

RUMORS centers around four affluent couples invited to a tenth wedding anniversary celebration. The couples arrive only to find their host injured from a gun shot wound and the hostess missing. What develops is a hysterical cover up by all the guests to try frantically to protect their host (who is deputy mayor of New York), and themselves, by hiding the evening's events from the outside world.

The cast of *RUMORS* includes: **Chuck Franklin*** (Ken Gorman), **Tannis Hanson** (Chris Gorman), **Candida Orosco** (Claire Ganz), **Christopher Violette**(Lenny Ganz), **Steve Julian** (Ernie Cusak), **Rosemary Gore*** (Cookie Cusak), **Hisato Masuyama*** (Glenn Cooper), **Jill Gerber** (Cassie Cooper), **Tony Colangelo** (Officer Welch) and **Jennifer Rubino** (Officer Pudney).

The creative team includes: Producer/Set designer **Angelo Collado***, Director **Frank Minano**, and Set Designer **Guy Carbajal**.

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Tickets are available by calling the ticket office at (626) 331-8133 or by visiting www.covinacenter.com. Tickets are priced at \$28, with a limited number of VIP tickets at \$38. Group rates are available at \$20 per ticket for groups of 20 or more. Special rates are also available for senior citizens (65 or older).

The Covina Center is located at 104 N. Citrus Ave, Covina, CA 91723. Plenty of parking is available. For information call (626) 331- 8133.

RUMORS is produced by the Covina Center for the Performing Arts and sponsored by Champion Consulting Company and the Covina Redevelopment Agency. This production is produced by special arrangement with Samuel French Inc. *RUMORS* contains some adult material and not suggested for children.

Upcoming CCPA productions include John Livingston in Concert, Sunday, June 26, 25th Annual Putnam County SPELLING BEE July 8 – August 14 and PETER PAN The Musical (Cresendo/CCPA Production), August 25 -September 4.

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About Covina Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA)

CCPA is dedicated to presenting quality theater productions in their state-of-the-art facility. CCPA strives to nurture appreciation and enjoyment of the creative arts in the San Gabriel Valley, leading the continuing cultural revitalization and preservation of Covina's historic downtown. The 2011 season features 14 events including five main stage productions.

*Please note: Angelo Collado, Chuck Franklin, Rosemary Gore and Hisato Masuyama are members of Actors Equity Association (AEA)

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