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RE: AUDITIONS at Gallery Theater

The Nerd

By Larry Shue

Directed by Deborah Johansen

- **Saturday, August 6, 2011, 1:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, August 7, 2011, 6:30 p.m.**

Gallery Theater, 210 N Ford Street, McMinnville

Now an aspiring young architect in Terre Haute, Indiana, Willum Cubbert has often told his friends about the debt he owes to Rick Steadman, a fellow ex-GI whom he has never met but who saved his life after he was seriously wounded in Vietnam. He has written to Rick to say that, as long as he is alive, "you will have somebody on Earth who will do anything for you" – so Willum is delighted when Rick shows up unexpectedly at his apartment on the night of his thirty-fourth birthday party. But his delight soon fades as it becomes apparent that Rick is a hopeless "nerd" – a bumbling oaf with no social sense, little intelligence and less tact. And Rick stays on and on, his continued presence among Willum and his friends leading to one uproarious incident after another, until the normally placid Willum finds himself contemplating violence – a dire development which, happily, is staved off by the surprising "twist" ending of the play. **Auditions will be cold readings from the script. Comedic timing is crucial. The first read through will be Monday, August 8.**

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Willum Cubbert	Male, play 30+, solid, attractive
Tansy McGinnis	Female, play 30+, attractive
Axel Hammond	Male, play 30+, sarcastic
Warnock Waldgrave	Male, play 30+, loud, aggressive
Clelia Waldgrave	Female, play 30+, nervous
Thor Waldgrave	Male, 6-10 years old
Rick Steadman	Male, play 30, nerdy

Eleven Performances: October 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, November 4 & 5 ~ 2011

Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m., Sunday performances at 3 p.m.

For more information regarding these auditions, please contact Gallery Theater at 503-472-2227 or go to www.gallerytheater.org.

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