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TONGUE IN CHEEK THEATER GETS *PSYCH*-ED FOR ITS FALL PRODUCTION

Tongue in Cheek Theater Productions (Jake Lipman, Artistic Director and Producer) is pleased to announce its fall 2009 production of *Psych* by Evan Smith. Jason Bohon directs the first revival of *Psych* since its premiere at Playwrights Horizons in November 2001. *Psych* marks Tongue in Cheek Theater's seventh production.

A dark comedy about two reunited friends from college, *Psych* chronicles their first six months of living together in New York City. Law student Molly (Brynne Kraynak) soon learns that her sweet friend Sunny (Jake Lipman) is a clinical psychology student and a part-time dominatrix. When a female classmate accuses Sunny of harassment, she is pulled into a psychological power play rife with contradictions. Molly must ask herself whether there are three sides to every story: hers, Sunny's, and the truth.

Psych also features Brian W. Seibert, Susanne Nelson, David Lanson, Mary Ruth Baggott, Bill Bria, Kerri Ford, Ambien Mitchell, Maryll Botula and Tele Durham. Set and lighting design by Kacie Hultgren, Robin Rothman assistant directs, and Margaret Reed stage manages. Evan Smith's other plays include *The Uneasy Chair*, *Servicemen*, *Daughters of Genius* and *The Savannah Disputation*. He is a graduate of the Yale School of Drama and the recipient of a Whiting Award.

During the dark nights of *Psych*, Tongue in Cheek Theater Productions is pleased to feature the first ever Plus 1 Solo Show Festival, featuring four original solo shows on both nights, on topics as diverse as corporal punishment (*The Enforcer* by Glynn Borders), driving the Oscar Meyer Weinermobile (*My Salvation Has a First Name* by Robin Gelfenbien), and the secret longing for strangers (*Maybe Later* by Sarah Kauffman).

Tongue in Cheek Theater is an independent theater company dedicated to producing seriously funny theater. Its mission is to tell stories which resonate with universal truth and which make its audiences laugh in recognition of those truths.

Psych runs for eight performances, September 9-19, 2009, Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. at Theatre 54 @ Shetler Studios. The Plus 1 Solo Show Festival runs Sunday and Monday, September 13 and 14, 2009 at 8 p.m.

Theatre 54 @ Shetler Studios at 244 West 54th Street, 12th Floor, between 7th and 8th Avenues in New York City, is accessible from the B, D, E train to 7th Avenue, N, Q, R, W to 57th Street, and the A, C, 1 to 59th Street/Columbus Circle. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors online (\$25 at the door) at www.tictheater.com or by telephoning 212-868-4444.

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