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**Tacoma Arts Live's Professional Regional Theater  
Presents *Oleanna* by Pulitzer Prize Winner David Mamet  
For Eight Shows Feb. 6 - 23 at Tacoma's Theater on the Square**

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**TACOMA, WASH.—** Tacoma Arts Live's Professional Regional Theater presents David Mamet's play *Oleanna*. Originally produced in the early 1990s, the play illustrates controversial opposing views between a college professor and his young female student. The production opens with a preview night on Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at Theater on the Square, and then continues for seven performances February 7 -23. Tickets start at \$19 and are [on sale now](#).

Playwright David Mamet won a Pulitzer Prize for the 1983 Glengarry Glen Ross and has several Tony Award and Academy Award nominations for his plays, films, and other works. *Oleanna* is a two-person story that follows a sexual harassment investigation of a university professor and his student. Opposing portrayals and viewpoints of the pair's interactions will have the audience challenged by their own individual interpretations. The drama shines a spotlight on the rhetoric of modern day sexual harassment charges and the collision of sex, power, and perception.

This Professional Regional Theater production will be Joshua Knudson's directorial debut. Sean Neely plays the professor, John, and his female counterpart, Carol, will be played by Angelica Barksdale.

*Oleanna* is presented in special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc. New York. Also this 2019-20 season, Tacoma Arts Live's Professional Regional Theater presents *Tribes* by Nina Raine, and *Cowboy vs. Samurai* by Michael Golamco.

Tickets for *Oleanna* are \$19, \$29, and \$39 and are [on sale now](#). To purchase advance tickets, call Tacoma Arts Live Box Office at 253.591.5894, toll-free at 1.800.291.7593, visit in person at 901 Broadway in Tacoma's Theater District, or online at [TacomaArtsLive.org](http://TacomaArtsLive.org).

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