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Elizabeth Kenny's Sick adds additional performances

Show touches nerve with local audiences, adds two additional performances

Sick, written and performed by Elizabeth Kenny Collaboratively created with John Kazanjian Directed by John Kazanjian

Produced by Shady Lane Productions at New City Theater Additional Scheduled Performances: June 3, 4, 17 & 18

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(Seattle) – Due to unrelenting demand, Elizabeth Kenny's *Sick*—originally scheduled to close April 30—has once again extended its run at New City Theater. Audiences have flocked to Kenny's startling tale of pharmaceutically-induced psychosis, many of them with similar stories to tell. "I knew that psychotropic drugs were playing a big part in people's lives," says Kenny, "but I am overwhelmed each night by the number of people for whom this story is their story to one degree or another." The *Seattle Times* says that *Sick* is "prosecuted with a gut-wrenching immediacy one won't soon forget." *SeattleActor.com* calls it "the healthiest and most genuine kind of theatre." *The Stranger* notes that "Kenny talks about her experience with a wryness and conviction that you don't often hear from people who've done time in psych wards," and *Seattle Weekly* says *Sick* "should be seen by psychotherapists, the pharmaceutical industry, and you."

The show has also drawn the attention of the medical community. Kenny was recently invited to perform for the students and faculty at Seattle University's College of Nursing, and she will perform at The National Empowerment Center and the National Coalition for Mental Health Recovery's *Creating Connections Through Dialogue* conference, June 11 at Endicott College in Beverly, Massachusetts.

Currently scheduled performances for *Sick* are Fridays and Saturdays, June 3, 4, 17, and 18. Please update calendar listings, and check the Shady Lane Productions website (www.shadylaneproductions.org) for updates as additional June dates are added.

Tickets for Sick: http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/164372

\$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, group discounts available

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