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# *The Citadel*

presents

**Necessary Angel's production of**

# *Half Life*

By John Mighton  
Directed by Daniel Brooks  
March 8 - 30, 2008, Shoctor Theatre

## **CAN THE HEART REMEMBER WHAT THE MIND HAS FORGOTTEN?**

*"An unforgettable experience."* The Globe and Mail

*"A finely observed, heartfelt look at what makes us human."* The Ottawa Citizen

*"A stunning piece of writing."* The Glasgow Courier

**EDMONTON** – Award-winning Canadian playwright **John Mighton's *Half Life*** has been showered with accolades and rave reviews in Toronto, Quebec City, Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Australia and Scotland. Now the **Citadel Theatre** is pleased to welcome the return of Director **Daniel Brooks** and **Necessary Angel** theatre company, the talented creative team behind the 2006 Citadel presentation of the critically acclaimed *Bigger Than Jesus*.

Clara and Patrick meet and fall in love in a nursing home for veterans and their families. Although perhaps they are rekindling a passionate memory from the 1940s. Have they met before? She has Alzheimer's. He is guarded about his past as a military code-breaker. Clara's middle-aged son Donald, a scientist, and Patrick's 40-something daughter Anna, an artist, have differing opinions about their parents' emotionally-charged and physical relationship. ***Half Life*** is a poetic and moving story about rediscovering beauty and love.

"I am very excited to present this Canadian-created, internationally renowned production to Edmonton audiences," says Citadel Theatre Artistic Director **Bob Baker**.

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"This beautiful Governor-General Award-winning play explores identity, aging and memory and is sure to connect with theatre-goers of all ages."

Half Life stars **Carolyn Hetherington** (previously seen at the Citadel in *The Beauty Queen of Leenane*) as Clara and **Eric Peterson** (*Travels With My Aunt*, as well as a regular cast member on television's *Corner Gas*, *This is Wonderland* and *Street Legal*) as Patrick and features **Richard Clarkin** (Citadel debut) as Donald; **Laura De Carteret** (Citadel debut) as Anna; **Barbara Gordon** (*Suddenly Last Summer*) as Agnes/First Scientist/Diana; **Maggie Huculak** (Citadel debut) as Tammy/Second Scientist; **Robert Persichini** (*Amadeus*) as Reverend Hill.

Joining Director **Daniel Brooks** (*Bigger Than Jesus*) behind the scenes are Set and Costume Designer **Dany Lyne** (Citadel debut); Lighting Designer **Andrea Lundy** (Hana's Suitcase); Sound and Music by **Richard Feren** (*Frozen*); Assistant Director **Anthony Black** (Citadel debut) Technical Director Derek Bruce; Head of Wardrobe Jolene Antle; Stage Manager **Crystal Salverda** (Citadel debut); Assistant Stage Manager **Kate Porter** (Citadel debut).

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## Ticket Prices

Call 780.425.1820 or purchase online at [citadeltheatre.com](http://citadeltheatre.com)

	Adult Tickets	Senior/Student Tickets
Preview	\$48	\$38
Tues, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sun Evening	\$53	\$43
Thursday Matinee	\$68	\$58
Saturday Matinee	\$58	\$48
Saturday Evening	\$63	\$53
Sunday Matinee	\$58	\$48

Applicable fees and taxes will be added to each ticket purchase.

Tickets subject to availability. Prices subject to change.

### PREVIEWS:

Saturday, March 8; Sunday, March 9; Tuesday, March 11, Wednesday, March 12

**OPENING NIGHT:** Thursday, March 13

**CLOSING:** Sunday, Sunday March 30

All shows are 7:30 p.m., nightly, with 1:30 p.m. matinees on Sunday, March 16;

Sunday, Sunday, March 23; Saturday, March 29; Sunday, March 30.

There are no shows on Mondays.

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