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“Road Less Traveled Productions Announces the 2008/2009 Emanuel Fried New Play Workshop Participants”

BUFFALO, NY – Road Less Traveled Productions announces the 2008/2009 Emanuel Fried New Play Workshop participants: **Tom Paul Fox, Donna Kahwaty, Aaron Krygier, Christopher LaBanca, Alex Livingston, Donald Richardson Jr., Gary Earl Ross, and returning to the workshop Melody Von Smith (*Bonegrinders*).**

Road Less Traveled Productions’ New Play Workshop is the development hub for Western New York playwrights and is the lifeblood of RLTP’s continued mission to develop and produce plays by Western New York writers.

Each playwright is developing a full-length comedy or drama, which will be reviewed and analyzed in roundtable discussions twice a month throughout the season. Readings of these new scripts are then presented to an audience of playwrights and the general public. These readings team the playwrights with some of WNY’s leading talent including prominent and up-and-coming WNY directors and performers.

The New Play Workshop runs under the supervision of Resident Playwright **Jon Elston** and New Play Workshop Director **Kyle LoConti**. Kyle LoConti is the Chair of the Division of Arts & Media at Niagara County Community College, where she teaches, directs, and choreographs in the Department of Theatre Arts. She directed Melody Von Smith’s *Bonegrinders* for Road Less Traveled Productions this season.

If you are a director or actor interested in contributing your time and abilities to the development of an exciting new play by a WNY playwright, please contact Jon Elston at genman@roadlesstraveledproductions.org. Schedule of development readings coming August 2008.

Scott Behrend and Jon Elston founded Road Less Traveled Productions in 2002. Its mission is to develop and produce original dramas by local playwrights.

The Road Less Traveled Theater, is located inside **the Market Arcade Film & Arts Centre, 639 Main Street**, in the heart of Buffalo’s theatre district, across from Shea’s.

For information and reservations, please visit www.roadlesstraveledproductions.org or **call the box office at (716) 629-3069.**

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