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**RLTP Kicks off 2009-10 Season with World Premiere
of International Award-Winning Debut by WNY Playwright**
Edward Albee selected Neil Wechsler's "Grenadine" to win 2008 Yale Drama Prize

*Road Less Traveled
Productions
2009 – 2010 Season:*

GRENADINE
World premiere by
Neil Wechsler
Directed by Scott
Behrend
Sept. 11 (Curtain Up)
– Oct. 11

AMERICAN DEAL
World premiere by
Tom Naples & Jon
Elston
Directed by Kyle
LoConti Oct. 30 –
Nov. 22

A LIGHT LUNCH
By A.R. Gurney
Directed by Scott
Behrend Jan. 29 –
Feb. 21

**THE GOAT or WHO
IS SYLVIA?**
By Edward Albee
Directed by Derek
Campbell
American Theatre
Masters Series
Selection April 16 -
May 16

INSIDIOUS
By Ibn Shabazz
Directed by Doug
Zschiegner
New Play Workshop
Selection July 17 –
Aug. 1

August 5th, 2009 Buffalo, NY - Road Less Traveled Productions (RLTP) will launch its 2009-2010 season with a world premiere production of Western New York playwright Neil Wechsler's **Grenadine**. Master playwright Edward Albee (*Who's Afraid Of Virginia Woolf?*) hand-selected the play in 2008 to win the Yale Drama Award, an international prize for emerging playwrights. RLTP will give the play its first staged production which will open at *Curtain Up!* Friday, September 11th, 2009 at the Road Less Traveled Theatre. RLTP Artistic Director Scott Behrend will direct.

A comedy about love and friendship, **Grenadine** tells the story of four friends who embark on a fantastical journey to win the heart of the fabled Grenadine. Through their journey the bonds of friendship are challenged and ultimately reaffirmed by the quartet's escapades through an unfamiliar landscape. **Grenadine** stars Gerry Maher and a magnificent ensemble supporting cast including David Oliver, Jay Pichardo, Luke Wager, Peter Jaskowiak, Bonnie Jean Taylor, Lisa Vitrano and Chris Corporandy. The production also features a set designed by Ron Schwartz and original score by composer and musician Alan Kryszak.

The Yale Drama Award is an international prize for emerging playwrights. In 2008 the competition was judged by Edward Albee. Upon selecting **Grenadine** as the winner, Mr. Albee presented playwright Neil Wechsler with the award at a ceremony at the Ritz Carlton in Battery Park, New York City in September 2008, and attended a reading of the play at the Yale Repertory Theatre. Mr. Albee also plans to attend the world premiere production at the Road Less Traveled Theater.

The Yale Drama Award is sponsored by the David C. Horn Foundation and includes \$10,000 and publication by Yale University Press. The published version of **Grenadine** will be released in September 2009 with a foreword by Mr. Albee.

Road Less Traveled Productions (RLTP) is a professional theatre company dedicated to the development and production of new theatrical works by Western New York playwrights, as well as presentations of esteemed modern dramas of outstanding literary merit. Performances are Thursdays—Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.; Special time for the Curtain Up! show is Friday, September 11, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. There will be no show on Sunday, September 13.

RLTP is located in the Market Arcade Film & Arts Center in the theater district of downtown Buffalo. Ticketing information at www.RoadLessTraveledProductions.org, or 1-800-745-3000.

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