

***Press Release***

**To News Room:**

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**PLAYERS OF UTICA ANNOUNCES OPEN AUDITIONS FOR  
Neil Simon's  
THE ODD COUPLE (female version)**

directed for Players of Utica by Win Haslam

February 23 & 24, 2010 at 7:00 PM  
Players of Utica Theatre  
1108 State Street, Utica, NY

**UTICA, NY** – Players of Utica is holding open auditions for Neil Simon's THE ODD COUPLE (female version). Performance dates are April 15, 16, 17, 18, 2010 at The Kirkland Art Center.

Casting needs are:

2 Men (30 - 40 years old) Hispanic or Hispanic accent

2 women (30 - 40 years old)

4 women (20 years old and up)

Production assistance is also needed. If you are interested in assisting with props, costumes, makeup, rehearsal prompting, set design/construction/decoration, lighting and sound, please plan to attend and sign up during the open auditions.

Rehearsals will begin in late February or early March. The director plans to rehearse three nights per week at the Kirkland Art Center. A schedule will be set during the auditions.

**SHOW SYNOPSIS:**

Unger and Madison are at it again! Florence Unger and Olive Madison, that is, in Neil Simon's hilarious contemporary comic classic: the female version of *The Odd Couple*. Instead of the poker party that begins the original version, Ms. Madison has invited the girls over for an evening of Trivial Pursuit. The two Constanzuela brothers have replaced the Pidgeon sisters from the original version. But the hilarity remains the same.

"Very funny indeed."-*New York Post*

"Endearing."-*USA Today*

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**About Players of Utica:** Players of Utica, a non-profit community theatre, has been continuously producing shows in Central NY since 1913. We have entertained more than 1 million individuals with first-class community theatre. Players of Utica is an equal opportunity community theatre organization.

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