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Gordon Pinsent's new play, Easy Down Easy, directed by Mary Walsh is the feature presentation for the Official Grand Re-Opening of the newly renovated LSPU Hall in St. John's Newfoundland on October 5, 2010

Resource Centre for the Arts (RCA) Theatre Company and The Grand Bank Regional Theatre Festival have come together to coproduce Gordon Pinsent's new play *Easy Down Easy*.

Directed by Mary Walsh, starring Aiden Flynn, Berni Stapleton, and Kevin Woolridge, this major co-production will be the feature play for the Official Grand Re-Opening of the newly renovated LSPU Hall, on Tuesday October 5th at 8pm. *Easy Down Easy* will continue for eleven nights through to October 17th. Mr. Pinsent will be in St. John's for the Grand Re-Opening, as well as the second night of the run, October 6th, for a talkback with the audience after the show.

Easy Down Easy is a haunting and compelling ghost story, a story that illuminates the fact that one never knows when the past will rise up, demanding justice. Every word and image is prime Gordon Pinsent. Fans will want to see this elemental production again and again. Gordon Pinsent is a Canadian star extraordinaire with the huge heart of a Newfoundlander and this project has brought him back to "the Rock." Berni Stapleton first read this play a year ago, and had been working with Gordon on developing his script. Amy House, Artistic Animateur of RCA Theatre Company came on board very quickly after hearing an initial reading in St. John's, recognizing the importance and relevance of producing this play. Then, just to align the stars for this project they brought in the singular tour-de-force Mary Walsh to direct it.

RCA is a 38 year old artist-run organization dedicated to the development, promotion and presentation of indigenous Newfoundland & Labrador performing arts and artists. RCA acts as an umbrella organization for two main divisions: [RCA Theatre Company](#) and [Hall Operations](#) and makes its home in the historic LSPU (Longshoremen's Protective Union) Hall in the heart of St. John's. The Resource Centre for the Arts is generously supported by The Government of Canada, through the Department of Canadian Heritage and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, and the City of St. John's. The essential restoration of this historic cultural icon would not have been possible without their contribution.

We are pleased to invite the public back to the LSPU Hall after being closed for over two years. Highlights of the new building include a bright and inviting main lobby complete with a wheelchair accessible lift. The Hall also now has air-conditioning for those two muggy Newfoundland summer days, and a cool breeze under hot theatre lights.

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