



WAR

Written and Directed by **Lars Norén**

In January 2008, Swedish playwright Lars Norén will make a unique appearance in New York directing a new version of his internationally acclaimed play *War* at the Rattlestick Playwrights Theater. The play, performed throughout the world, will have its American premiere at the Rattlestick in February.

Lars Norén is Europe's most produced living playwright and the recipient of numerous awards including the Pilot Prize. Often the cause of controversy, his plays are nonetheless appreciated and respected by critics and audiences alike. Norén plays have been influenced by American writers such as Eugene O'Neill and Edward Albee, touching on themes that American writers have wrestled with. Although internationally acclaimed, Lars Norén is practically unknown in the United States, and until now, he has never ventured to America to work on one of his own plays.

War, in a translation by Marita Lindholm Gochman, is set in a year of ethnic cleansing. A mother and her two daughters, their father missing and presumed dead, think only of survival. When the father returns unexpectedly, they must confront a world gone completely wrong. Through this simple family tale, Norén creates a powerful human statement that becomes, through the use of multiple casts, a history of genocide in our century.

January 29 through March 2, 2008
Performances Tues-Sat @ 8pm & Sun @ 5.

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