

Press Release

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WALKING SHADOW PRESENTS WORLD PREMIERE SCIENCE FICTION TIME TRAVEL LOVE STORY

May 7 – 29, 2010 at the People's Center Theater (425 20th Ave. S., Minneapolis)

Walking Shadow presents the world premiere of *The Transdimensional Couriers Union* by local playwright and company member John Heimbuch. This complex and fun epic – a love story wrapped in science fiction – is a different kind of time travel adventure.

When a secret message from the future accidentally reaches her, Sophie and her boyfriend get caught up in a dangerous world of corporate espionage, instant travel, and infinite possibility. After barely escaping the collapse of society as they know it, they navigate a new reality in which time travel has become commonplace. From the ashes of the modern world emerges the Transdimensional Couriers Union, a band of dedicated travelers committed to creating order from the chaos, but Duinn Tech's Enforcement Team has other ideas. Can Sophie and Peter rediscover what they once had? This original science fiction epic examines love, opportunity, and longing by using a uniquely layered non-linear narrative to follow the ambitions and machinations of six individuals who each carve their own path through time.

The Transdimensional Couriers Union is Heimbuch's fifth script for Walking Shadow, and his first to be produced in the mainstage season. His other scripts for Walking Shadow are *The Lives of the Most Notorious Highwaymen*, *10-Speed Revolution*, *William Shakespeare's Land of the Dead*, and *SQUAWK*. Heimbuch also wrote *Or The White Whale* and *S. Gunter Klaus and the Story Before*, both directed by Jon Ferguson at the Southern Theatre, and co-wrote the *London After Midnight* penny dreadful series for Hardcover Theater.

The Transdimensional Couriers Union features a talented cast of local actors, including Melissa Anne Murphy (Walking Shadow: *Robots vs. Fake Robots*, *SQUAWK*), Randy Schmeling (Latte Da: *Violet*; Ordway: *The Rocky Horror Show*; Torch Theatre: *Dancing at Lughnasa*), Sid Solomon (Walking Shadow: *Caligula*; Mixed Blood: *1001*; Children's Theatre: *Cinderella*), Alan Sorenson (Latte Da: *Violet*, *All is Calm*), Anna Sundberg (Walking Shadow: *Some Girl(s)*; Joking Envelope: *Safe as Houses*), and Jean (Salo) Wolff (Walking Shadow: *Some Girl(s)*; Workhaus Collective: *Music Lovers*).

EVENT *The Transdimensional Couriers Union*
WRITTEN BY: John Heimbuch
DIRECTED BY: John Heimbuch
NOTE: world premiere

DATES: May 7 – 29, 2010
VENUE: People's Center Theater
425 20th Ave. S., Minneapolis

TICKETS: \$18/\$15
RESERVATIONS: 612-375-0300
MORE INFORMATION: www.walkingshadowcompany.org

SUMMARY: When a visit from her future self sends Sophie on a journey to the ends of reality, she must choose whether to repair her relationship or time itself. A science fiction adventure of love, technology, and betrayal. How far will you go to get back what you once had?

SPECIFICS DATES/TIMES:

Friday	May 7	7:30pm	Opening night reception
Saturday	May 8	7:30pm	
Monday	May 10	7:30pm	Pay what you can
Thursday	May 13	7:30pm	Post-show discussion
Friday	May 14	7:30pm	
Saturday	May 15	7:30pm	audio described
Sunday	May 16	3:00pm	
Thursday	May 20	7:30pm	Post-show discussion
Friday	May 21	7:30pm	ASL interpreted
Saturday	May 22	7:30pm	
Sunday	May 23	3:00pm	
Thursday	May 27	7:30pm	Post-show discussion
Friday	May 28	7:30pm	
Saturday	May 29	7:30pm	

About Walking Shadow Theatre Company:

Since 2004, Walking Shadow Theatre has gained a reputation for creating well-staged and carefully researched independent theater. Past productions include *Robots vs. Fake Robots* by David Largman Murray, Neil LaBute's *Some Girl(s)* and *Fat Pig*, and David Greig's *The American Pilot*, as well as notable Fringe Festival successes including *1926 Pleasant*, *William Shakespeare's Land of the Dead*, and *SQUAWK*. *The Transdimensional Couriers Union* is their 17th production.

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