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***Stabat Mater* to be featured in Eastern Ontario's one-act play weekend**

KEMPTVILLE, ONT—October 23, 2006—Award-winning playwright Lauree Laing is thrilled to have her one-act play *Stabat Mater* featured in the 2006 Eastern Ontario Drama League's (EODL) one-act play festival, *A License to Act*. Hosted this year by Kemptville Players Inc, Laing and *Stabat Mater*'s publisher Dragonfly Media Publishing were only too happy to grant permission to the EODL's request of including the play.

"Some of the folks had seen it last year and really, really, really wanted to see it again," says Laing.

Stabat Mater is a full-length play of three waiting women, three epic ages, and one unimaginable purgatory: awaiting the return of a child gone off to war. Laing weaves insight, humour and depth into this one-act play, masterfully telling a story of opposing forces — love and hate, peace and anger. As quoted from the October 22, 2006 issue *Kemptonville Weekender*, *Stabat Mater* "is about the similarities in feelings between mothers of soldiers across time, geography and politics. This commonality is portrayed by three women who speak separately yet finish one another's thoughts and sentences."

The play, written and directed by Laing, will feature Colette Hutten as Petra, Brenda Mead as Roxanne, Andrea Maclellan as Crystal and Denise Lafortune as Victoria. Glenna Walkden will produce the play. The three-day festival kicks off Friday, November 3 at the North Grenville Municipal Centre theatre. *Stabat Mater* will play Saturday night, November 4 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, call Elaine at 613-258-5137, visit *Business Solutions* in the Kemptville Mall, or go online to www.kemptonvilleplayers.ca for more details.

To purchase your copy of *Stabat Mater*, go to www.dragonfly-publishing.com/bookstore.

ABOUT AUTHOR

Lauree Laing was born in London, Ontario, raised in Guelph, and educated in Toronto. Winchester, her home for the past several years, is the terminus of her eastward drift. She shares her life with a never-boring husband, two lovely daughters, a pair of delusional cats and a moose-sized mutt with a heart of gold but a very limited neural net. Her son is a member of The Royal Canadian Regiment.

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