

Actors' Theatre Presents THE REALISTIC JONESES

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Santa Cruz County Actors' Theatre, who brings the community the annual sold-out 8 Tens @ Eight Short Play Festival, presents a full-length staged production of **Will Eno's** renowned Broadway play, *The Realistic Joneses*, opening May 18 and playing through June 3, at the Center Stage Theater in downtown Santa Cruz.

In the comic drama *The Realistic Joneses*, we meet Bob and Jennifer and their new neighbors, John and Pony - two suburban couples who have even more in common than their identical homes and their shared last names. As their relationships begin to irrevocably intertwine, the Joneses must decide between their idyllic fantasies and their imperfect realities.?

The Realistic Joneses was nominated for three 2014 Drama League Awards, for Outstanding Production Of A Broadway or Off-Broadway Play, as well as Distinguished Performance Awards for **Michael C. Hall** and **Tracy Letts**. In addition, the production was recognized twice for the 2014 Drama Desk Special Awards, which recognize excellence and significant contributions to the theatre.

Actors' Theatre's production will feature local talent Avondina Wills (*The Mountaintop*), Tara McMilin (*Other Desert Cities*), Drew Crocker (*SC Fringe Festival*), and Sarah Marsh (*Noises Off*, 9-5).

"When I am reading plays, I am always drawn to those that have the ability to surprise," says director Gerry Gerringer. "Scripts that reveal the characters' flaws and pain through the powerful mixture of humor and dramatic tension, I find to be the most true to life. *The Realistic Joneses* is such a play. I'm sure that audiences will find this odd, quirky play as engaging, poignant, and thought-provoking as I do."

Actor's Theatre continues their 2018 season with a second full production this fall - the Tony-Winning drama *Red* by **John Logan**.

Tickets and information at www.sccat.org