

Theater

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The Price (Tsena): Arthur Miller's heart-wrenching drama about two brothers and the price they must pay for the choices they have made in life. Directed by Leonid Kheifets. Mayakovsky Theater Small Hall. Thursday, February 6, at 7 p.m. **Evgeny Lyulyukin**

Theater Addresses

Thursday The 6th

MT PICK **A Stalemate Lasts But a Moment** (Nichya Dlitsya Mgnoveniye): Mindaugas Karbauskis stages Icchokas Meras' novel based on his childhood experiences of the Holocaust. Moscow Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

Cupids in the Snow (Amury v Snegu): a musical comedy based on Fonvizin's 18th-century comedy about two sets of parents trying to marry off their two kids against their will. Mayakovsky Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Easy to Quit** (Brosit Legko): Ruslan Malikov stages Marina Krapivina's documentary play that centers on six young people undergoing treatment at a drug rehab center. Theater

of Nations small stage. 8 p.m.

Funds From Inheritance (Sredstva ot Nasledstva): Yury Ryashentsev and Galina Polidi's play on the themes of Jean-Francois Regnard's comedy "The Sole Heir" about a crafty servant. Satire Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **King Lear** (Korol Lir): Konstantin Raikin stars in Shakespeare's tragedy directed by Yury Butusov. Satirikon Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Marina:** Zhenya Berkovich stages Lyuba Strizhak's play on social and psychological themes. Gogol Center small hall. 8:30 p.m.

Mtsyri: Mikhail Lermontov's narrative poem about a young Caucasian who flees the monastery where he was baptized as a Christian. Adapted for stage by Konstantin Mishin in the style of physical theater. School of Dramatic Art. 7 p.m.

NEW **No. 13D:** Vladimir Mashkov renews his staging of Ray Cooney's popular comedy with a new cast. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

Odessa 913: Isaak Babel's Odessa Stories as staged by Rodion Ovchinnikov. Yermolova Theater. 7 p.m.

Tartuffe: Moliere's play about a pious hypocrite taking over a meek family. Directed by Yury Lyubimov. Taganka Theater. 7 p.m.

The Duel: Chekhov's story about people in a hot southern town who while away their time by engaging in verbal contests. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater small stage. 7 p.m.

The Egyptian Stamp (Yegipetskaya Marka): a staging based on Osip Mandelstam's story of the same name set in St. Petersburg in 1917. Fomenko Studio. 7 p.m.

The Elder Son. Version Three (Starshy Syn. Tretya Versia): Yury Pogrebnichko directs Alexander Vampilov's comic drama about an intruder who becomes part of the family. Okolo, the Theater Near the Stanislavsky House. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **The Gentleman:** Yevgeny Kamenkovich stages Alexander Sumbatov-Yuzhin's play about an ambitious, vain young man making his way in the world. Sovremennik Theater. 7 p.m.

The Madmen of Valencia (Valensianskiye Bezumtsy): Ruzanna Movsesyan stages Lope de Vega's romantic comedy about young people hiding in a madhouse. Et Cetera Theater Efros Hall. 7 p.m.

The Marriage of Figaro (Zhenitba Figaro): a musical version of Beaumarchais' witty play about a commoner who wants to marry his master's servant girl and encounters numerous adventures along the way. Lenkom Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **The Price** (Tsena): Arthur Miller's heart-wrenching drama about two brothers and the price they must pay for the choices they have made in life. Directed by Leonid Kheifets. Mayakovsky Theater Small Hall. 7 p.m.

The Talented and the Dead (Talanty i Pokoiniki): Yevgeny Pisarev directs David Ives' dramatization of Mark Twain's story "Is He Dead?" about French painter Jean-Francois Millet who stages his death in order to increase the value of his paintings. Pushkin Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK ENGLISH FRENCH GERMAN **Three Sisters** (Tri Sestry): Pyotr Fomenko's tragic rendition of Anton Chekhov's classic. English, German and French subtitles available. Fomenko Studio New Stage. 7 p.m.

We Cannot Choose the Time We Live In (Vremena Ne Vybirayut): The love story of an American jazz singer and a Russian musician, set in the mid-20th century in New York and Moscow. Moscow Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

Friday The 7th

NEW **Easy to Quit** (see Thurs. listing). Theater of Nations small stage. 8 p.m.

NEW **Filumena Marturano:** Eduardo de Filippo's tale of a resourceful ex-prostitute who induces her common-law husband to marry her. Directed by Stefano de Luca, stars Yury Solomin and Irina Muravyova. Maly Theater. 7 p.m.

Flights With an Angel (Polyoty s Angelom): the story of artist Marc Chagall staged by and starring Sergei Yursky. Yermolova Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Hamlet:** David Bobee's contemporary adaptation of Shakespeare. Gogol Center. 8 p.m.

La Grande Magia (Velikaya Magiya): Yevgeny Pisarev directs and stars in Eduardo de Filippo's play about theatrical illusion and obsessional delusion. Pushkin Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **London Show:** Konstantin Raikin stages a comedy based on George Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion." Satirikon Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Love as Militarism** (Lyubov kak Militarizm): Pyotr Gladilin's philosophical comedy. Drugoi Theater production. DK Imeni Zuyeva. 7 p.m.

NEW Marina (see Thurs. listing). Gogol Center small hall. 8:30 p.m.

NEW **Moliere. Tartuffe:** Alexei Levinsky's production of Moliere's play. Hermitage Theater. 7 p.m.

Mourning Becomes Electra (Uchast Elektry): Alexei Borodin stages Eugene O'Neill's exploration of a family after the American Civil War. National Youth Theater. 7 p.m.

Mtsyri: (see Thurs. listing). School of Dramatic Art. 7 p.m.

NEW **No Years** (Net Let): a poetic staging based on Yevgeny Yevtushenko's verses. Taganka Theater. 7 p.m.

Pelleas and Melisande: Vladimir Ageyev stages Maurice Maeterlinck's symbolist masterpiece about love, jealousy and death. Vakhtangov Theater small stage. 7:30 p.m.

MT PICK **Repress and Excite** (Podavlyat i Vozbuzhdat): Alexander Kalyagin directs Maksym

Kurochkin's play, an eccentric mix of boulevard melodrama, backstage intrigues and social satire. Et Cetera Theater. 7 p.m.

Tartuffe: Pavel Safonov's staging of Moliere's play stars Viktor Sukhorukov. Theater Na Maloi Bronnoi. 7 p.m.

The Aliens (Chuzhaki): Romanian-American director Adrian Giurgia stages the hit play by Annie Baker about two losers in a back lot and their teenage protege. Pushkin Theater affiliate. 7 p.m.

The Banquet: Sergei Artsibashev's one-act staging based on a romantic comedy by Neil Simon. Mayakovsky Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **The Marriage** (Zhenitba): Mark Zakharov stages an all-star version of Nikolai Gogol's classic comedy. Lenkom Theater. 7 p.m.

The Master and Margarita: Mikhail Bulgakov's satirical fantasy about Satan's visit to Moscow. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

The Tale of Arden Forest (Skazka Ardenskogo Lesa): Yuly Kim's adaptation of Shakespeare's "As You Like It," written by Yuly Kim and directed by Pyotr Fomenko. Fomenko Studio. 7 p.m.

NEW **Unforgettable Meetings** (Nezabyvayemiye Znakomstva): Sergei Nadtochiyev's staging based on Nina Sadur and Edward Albee's one-act plays. Satire Theater. 7 p.m.

We Cannot Choose the Time We Live In (see Thurs. listing). Moscow Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

We're Awaited Far Away From Here (Nas Zhdut Daleko-Daleko, Ne Zdes): Yury Klepikov directs a love story on the themes of Isaac Bashevis Singer. Dzhigarkhanyan Theater. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

ENGLISH FRENCH **Without a Dowry** (Bespridannitsa): Pyotr Fomenko's production of Alexander Ostrovsky's play about a young woman's struggle for happiness in 19th-century Russia. English and French subtitles available. Fomenko Studio New Stage. 7 p.m.

Saturday The 8th

A Perfect Murder (Idealnoye Ubiistvo): a contemporary detective comedy directed by Andrei Zhitinkin. Satire Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **A Streetcar Named Desire** (Tramvai "Zhelaniye"): Mark Rozovsky stages Tennessee Williams. Theater U Nikitskikh Vorot. 7 p.m.

An Enemy of the People (Vrag Naroda): Sasha Denisova's version of Henrik Ibsen's play staged by Nikita Kobelev. Mayakovsky Theater. 6 p.m.

Anarchy: Garik Sukachyov stages Mike Packer's play "The Dysfunckshonalz" about middleaged men attempting to reunite their punk rock band and recapture their glory days. Sovremennik Theater production. Yauza Palace. 7 p.m.

Berlusputin: Varvara Faer adapts Dario Fo's play "L'Anomalo Bicefalo" in which half of Silvio

Berlusconi's brain is seemingly transplanted into Vladimir Putin's head. Stars Yevdokia Germanova and Sergei Yepishev. Teatr.doc. 8 p.m.

NEW **Dial M for Murder** (V Sluchaye Ubiistva Nabiraite M): Yury Yeryomin stages Frederick Knott's detective thriller. Mossoviet Theater. 7 p.m.

Five Evenings (Pyat Vecherov): Alexander Ogaryov's production of Alexander Volodin's Thaw-era play about two former lovers who meet again (Sergei Garmash and Yelena Yakovleva). Sovremennik Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW Hamlet (see Fri. listing). Gogol Center. 8 p.m.

ENGLISH FRENCH **Heartbreak House** (Dom, Gde Razbivayutsya Serdtsa): Yevgeny Kamenkovich's staging of George Bernard Shaw's "fantasy in the Russian manner." English and French subtitles available. Fomenko Studio New Stage. 7 p.m.

NEW **Herbivores** (Travoyadniye): Talgat Batalov directs Maksym Kurochkin's phantasmagorical play about the mysteries of human nature. Meyerhold Center. 7 p.m.

How I Became an Idiot (Kak Ya Stal Idiotom): A young man is miserable due to the tragic empathy his profound intelligence causes him to feel. Vladimir Bogatyryov's adaptation of Martin Page's novel raises the question: what is the source of happiness — truth and individuality, or ignorance and conformity? National Youth Theater. 7 p.m.

Life Is Wonderful (Zhizn Prekrasna): a musical revue. Moscow Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Mashenka:** Ivan Orlov's adaptation of Vladimir Nabokov's story. Mossoviet Theater Stage Pod Kryshei. 7 p.m.

NEW **Measure for Measure** (Mera za Meru): Declan Donnellan' stages Shakespeare's play that deals with issues of mercy, justice, and truth. Pushkin Theater. 7 p.m.

Pagans (Yazychniki): Yevgeny Kamenkovich stages Anna Yablonskaya's family drama. Yermolova Theater. 7 p.m.

Russian Beauty (Russkaya Krasavitsa): Zhenya Berkovich's adaptation of Viktor Yerofeyev's novel about a young provincial woman trying to make it in Moscow. Gogol Center small stage. 8:30 p.m.

Sneakers (Kedy): Ruslan Malikov stages Lyubov Strizhak's play about a 26-year-old loafer. Praktika. 7 and 9 p.m.

Tartuffe (see Fri. listing). Theater Na Maloi Bronnoi. 7 p.m.

The Blue Monster (Sineye Chudovishche): Konstantin Raikin directs a commedia dell'arte based on a play by Carlo Gozzi. Satirikon Theater. 7 p.m.

The Jester Balakirev (Shut Balakirev): Grigory Gorin's tragicomedy based on the real story of nobleman Sergei Frolov. Lenkom Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW The Karamazovs: (Karamazovy): Kirill Bogomolov's politically satirical production based

on Fyodor Dostoyevsky's "The Brothers Karamazov." Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane** (Udivitelnoye Puteshestviye Krolika Edvarda): Gleb Cherepanov's adaptation of Kate DiCamillo's tale. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater small stage. 7 p.m.

The Stone (Kamen): Marius von Mayenburg's play directed by Filipp Grigoryan. A Dresden house passes from owner to owner, from generation to generation, gradually revealing awkward truths. Theater of Nations small stage. 8 p.m.

NEW **Wedding in Malinovka** (Svadba v Malinovke): Boris Alexandrov's musical comedy set in the 1920s. Satire Theater. Noon.

Sunday The 9th

NEW **A Streetcar Named Desire** (see Sat. listing). Theater U Nikitskikh Vorot. 7 p.m.

NEW **Aesthetes** (Estety): Sergei Aronin stages a comedy about contemporary art based on works by Yasmina Reza and Andrei Bitov. Mossoviet Theater Stage Pod Kryshei. 7 p.m.

NEW **Cancun:** Alexei Frolenkov directs Jordi Galceran's comedy about two married couples on vacation. Theater Na Maloi Bronnoi. 7 p.m.

NEW **Dangerous Liaisons** (Opasniye Svyazi): Pavel Khomsky's staging of Christopher Hampton's play based on Choderlos de Laclos' 18th-century novel about the Marquise de Meurteil and the Vicomte de Valmont who test the limits of their will in a conspiracy of sexual seductions. Mossoviet Theater. 7 p.m.

Eclipse (Zatmeniye): a fantasy on the themes of Ken Kesey's novel "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." Lenkom Theater. 7 p.m.

Guppy (Gupyoshka): Anton Yakovlev directs Vasily Sigarev's play about a provincial girl alone in the big city. National Youth Theater small stage. 7:30 p.m.

NEW Hamlet (see Fri. listing). Gogol Center. 8 p.m.

NEW **Hamlet:** Valery Sarkisov stages Shakespeare with young actor Alexander Petrov in the lead. Yermolova Theater. 7 p.m.

Life Is Wonderful (Zhizn Prekrasna): a musical revue. Moscow Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW No. 13D (see Thurs. listing). Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Notes of a Deadman** (Zapiski Pokoinika): Sergei Zhenovach stages a composition based on Bulgakov's works. Studio of Theatrical Art. 7 p.m.

Ornifle: Jean Anouilh's dark comedy about a poet who squanders his talent stars Alexander Shirvindt, Mikhail Derzhavin and Vera Vasilyeva. Satire Theater. 7 p.m.

Russian Beauty (see Sat. listing). Gogol Center small stage. 8:30 p.m.

Savannah Bay: Marguerite Duras' impressionistic play in which a girl draws her aged grandmother into a game of memories. Staged by French actor and director Christian Benedetti. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater Novaya Stage. 7 p.m.

The Blue Monster (see Sat. listing). Satirikon Theater. 7 p.m.

The Good Person of Setzuan (Dobry Chelovek iz Sezuana): Yury Lyubimov directs this revival of his theater's first production, Bertolt Brecht's play about three disillusioned gods who come to earth in search of a "good human being." Taganka Theater. 7 p.m.

The Hare. A Love Story (Zayats. Love Story): Valentin Gaft and Nina Doroshina co-star in Nikolai Kolyada's play directed by Galina Volchek. Sovremennik Theater production. Yauza Palace. 7 p.m.

The Madmen of Valencia (see Thurs. listing). Et Cetera Theater Efros Hall. 7 p.m.

The Masquerade: Rimas Tuminas directs Mikhail Lermontov's play about a husband's fatal jealousy of his younger wife. Vakhtangov Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane** (see Sat. listing). Chekhov Moscow Art Theater small stage. 7 p.m.

The Mother Cat (Mama-Kot): a family musical based on Luis Sepulveda's story about a cat who taught a baby seagull to fly. Mayakovsky Theater. Noon and 6 p.m.

The Office: Roman Kozak's production of Ingrid Lausund's comedy "Slipped Disc. A Study of the Upright Walk." Five young office workers struggle to cope with a tyrannical, unseen boss. Pushkin Theater affiliate. 7 p.m.

The Taming of the Shrew (Ukroshcheniye Stroptivoi): Shakespeare's comedy as staged by Roman Feodori stars Chulpan Khamatova and Olga Volkova. Theater of Nations. 7 p.m.

ENGLISH FRENCH **Theatrical Novel** (Teatralny Roman): Kirill Pirogov and Pyotr Fomenko stage an adaptation of Mikhail Bulgakov's novel. English and French subtitles available. Fomenko Studio New Stage. 7 p.m.

NEW **Three Floors Above** (Tremya Etazhami Vyshe): Rodion Ovchinnikov's tragicomedy about contemporary life. Satire Theater. Noon.

Monday The 10th

Beast on the Moon (Lunnoye Chudovishche): Richard Kalinoski's poignant drama, set in Milwaukee in the 1920s, about two young Armenian immigrants struggling to rebuild their lives. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater Novaya Stage. 7 p.m.

Bridegrooms (Zhenikhi): Nikita Grinshpun stages Issak Dunayevsky's 1926 musical comedy set in the NEP era. Theater of Nations. 7 p.m.

Celestial Pilgrims (Nebesniye Stranniki): Mark Zakharov's staging on the themes of Aristophanes and Chekhov. Lenkom Theater. 7 p.m.

Crime and Punishment (Prestupleniye i Nakazaniye): Lev Erenburg stages Dostoevsky. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater small stage. 7 p.m.

Enemies, A Love Story (Vragi: Istoriya Lyubvi): An adaptation of Isaac Bashevis Singer's novel, set in New York in 1949, about a Holocaust survivor who finds himself involved with two wives and a fiancee. Sovremennik Theater. 7 p.m.

The Madwoman of Chaillot (Bezumnaya iz Chaillot): Nikolai Druchek's updated version of Pyotr Fomenko's staging of Jean Giraudoux's play about an old woman no one takes seriously. Fomenko Studio New Stage. 7 p.m.

The Marriage (Zhenitba): Igor Zolotovitsky's production of Gogol's play about a man narrowly escaping marriage. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

The Maternal Field (Materinskoye Pole): a movement staging based on Chingiz Aitmatov's story. Pushkin Theater affiliate. 7 p.m.

The Night of the Phoenix (Noch Feniksa): Viktoria Zvyagina stages a play by Tatyana Tolstaya and Yury Buida. Playwright and Director Center. 8 p.m.

The School for Wives (Shkola Zhyon): Dmitry Bykov and Vasily Gippius' new translation of Moliere's comedy about a middle-aged man who battles a young rival for the attentions of his pretty ward. Tabakov Theater. 7 p.m.

The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (Strannaya Istoriya Doktora Dzhekila i Mistera Khaida): Pavel Khomsky stages a musical based on Robert Louis Stevenson's story. Mossoviet Theater. 7 p.m.

What a Pity (Kak Zhal): Pyotr Fomenko's staging on the themes of Gabriel Garcia Marquez's play "Diatribe of Love Against a Seated Man." Stars Lyudmila Maksakova. Fomenko Studio. 7 p.m.

Tuesday The 11th

ENGLISH FRENCH **A Russian on a Rendezvous** (Russky Chelovek na Rendezvous): a romantic musical staging based on Ivan Turgenev's story "Spring Freshets." French and English subtitles available. Fomenko Studio New Stage. 7 p.m.

Bridegrooms (see Mon. listing). Theater of Nations. 7 p.m.

Commonplace (Obychnoye Delo): Vladimir Ivanov stages a comedy by Ray Cooney. Vakhtangov Theater. 7 p.m.

Crime and Punishment (see Mon. listing). Chekhov Moscow Art Theater small stage. 7 p.m.

Enemies, A Love Story (see Mon. listing). Sovremennik Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **Faryatyev's Fantasies** (Fantazii Faryatyeva): Vera Kamyshnikova directs Alla Sokolova's melodrama. Fomenko Studio. 7 p.m.

NEW Notes of a Deadman (see Sun. listing). Studio of Theatrical Art. 7 p.m.

Old-World Landowners (Starosvetskiye Pomeshchiki): Mindaugas Karbauskis' sometimes precious, sometimes moving staging based on Gogol's tale about an old Ukrainian couple. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater Novaya Stage. 7 p.m.

Romeo and Juliet: Konstantin Raikin renews his grand, energetic version of Shakespeare's tragedy with a new, young cast. Satirikon Theater. 7 p.m.

Shipov's Travels (Pokhozhdeniya Shipova): A vaudeville based on Bulat Okudzhava's phantasmagoric story. Et Cetera Theater. 7 p.m.

The Final Sacrifice (Poslednyaya Zhertva): Alexander Ostrovsky's comedy features Oleg Tabakov and Marina Zudina in the leading parts. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

The Portrait: Alexei Borodin's staging based on Gogol's story of the same name features live music performed by Alexei Utkin (oboe) and the Hermitage Ensemble. National Youth Theater. 8 p.m.

NEW **The Rose and the Cross** (Roza i Krest): Alexander Ponomaryov stages Alexander Blok's 1913 play about a poor knight's struggle to find the source of a mystical song that disturbs the dreams of the lady he serves. School of Dramatic Art. 7 p.m.

The Talented and the Dead (see Thurs. listing). Pushkin Theater. 7 p.m.

Wednesday The 12th

A Hunting Drama (Drama na Okhote): Anton Yakovlev stages this piece based on the themes of an early Chekhov play. Et Cetera Theater. 7 p.m.

Alice and The State (Alisa i Gosudarstvo): Sasha Denisova's play on social themes directed by Alexei Zherebtsov. Meyerhold Center and Liquid Theater joint production. Meyerhold Center. 7 p.m.

An Ideal Husband. A Comedy (Idealny Muzh. Komediya): Konstantin Bogomolov's staging on the themes of Oscar Wilde, set in contemporary Moscow. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

Autumn Sonata (Osennyaya Sonata): Yekaterina Polovtseva stages Ingmar Bergman with Marina Neyolova and Alyona Babenko in the leads. A celebrated classical pianist is confronted by her neglected daughter. Sovremennik Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **Eugene Onegin:** Rimas Tuminas stages a bold remake of, and commentary on, Pushkin's classic verse novel. Vakhtangov Theater. 7 p.m.

Juno and Avos (Yunona i Avos): a musical by Alexei Rybnikov. Lenkom Theater. 7 p.m.

MT PICK **Killer Joe:** Javor Gardev's staging of Tracy Letts' black comedy about a highly dysfunctional family and a corrupt policeman who enters their midst. Theater of Nations small stage. 8 p.m.

MT PICK Konstantin Raikin: An Evening With Dostoevsky (Konstantin Raikin: Vecher s

Dostoyevskim): Director Valery Fokin and composer Alexander Bakshi create a stage version of Fyodor Dostoevsky's existentialist novel "Notes From Underground" especially for Raikin. Satirikon Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW Moliere. Tartuffe (see Fri. listing). Hermitage Theater. 7 p.m.

The Egyptian Stamp (see Thurs. listing). Fomenko Studio. 7 p.m.

The Four-Legged Crow (Chetveronogaya Vorona): Pavel Artemyev's staging based on texts by Daniil Kharms. Theater Yunogo Zritelya. 7 p.m.

NEW The Rose and the Cross (see Tues. listing). School of Dramatic Art. 7 p.m.

The Talented and the Dead (see Thurs. listing). Pushkin Theater. 7 p.m.

The Taming of the Shrew (see Sun. listing). Theater of Nations. 7 p.m.

Thugs (Otmorozki): Kirill Serebrennikov's observation of hatred and violence in contemporary Russian society focuses on an angry young man. Sedmaya Studio production. Gogol Center. 8 p.m.

and Beyond...

Flowers for Algernon (Tsvety Dlya Elzhernona): Yury Grymov's adaptation of Daniel Keyes' sci-fi novel. National Youth Theater. Feb. 13 and 14, 7 p.m.

Grace and Grit (Blagodat i Stoikost): Ivan Vyrypayev's staging based on the book that philosopher Ken Wilber wrote after his wife died of cancer. Praktika. Feb. 13 and 14, 8 p.m.

Happy New Year! (S Nastupayushchim!): Sergei Garmash and Leonid Yarmolnik co-star as two friends in Rodion Ovchinnikov's New Year story. Sovremennik Theater production. Yauza Palace. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

Juno and Avos (see Wed. listing). Lenkom Theater. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

NEW **Lady Macbeth of Our District** (Ledi Makbet Nashego Uyezda): Kama Ginkas' stage version of a classic story by Nikolai Leskov is a withering portrait of lives on a slippery slope leading to sin and death. Theater Yunogo Zritelya. Feb. 13 and 14, 7 p.m.

MT PICK **Papa Leaves, Mama Lies, Grandma Dies** (Papa Ukhodit, Mama Vryot, Babushka Umirayet): Yury Muravitsky's inventive dramatization of Fabienne Yvert's book about a dysfunctional family. Meyerhold Center. Feb. 13 and 14, 7 p.m.

Pelleas and Melisande (see Fri. listing). Vakhtangov Theater small stage. Feb. 13, 7:30 p.m.

NEW **Summer Wasps Bite Us Even in November** (Letniye Osy Kusayut Nas Dazhe v Noyabre): Ivan Vyrypayev's new one-act comedy directed by Sigrid Strom Reibo. Fomenko Studio. Feb. 13, 8 p.m.

The Beauty Queen of Leenane (Koroleva Krasoty): Sergei Vinogradov directs Martin McDonagh's black comedy. Dzhigarkhanyan Theater. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

The Blue Monster (see Sat. listing). Satirikon Theater. Feb. 13 and 28, 7 p.m.

NEW **The Comedy of Errors** (Komediya Oshibok) Robert Sturua stages Shakespeare's early comedy about twins that were accidentally separated at birth. Music by Gia Kancheli. Et Cetera Theater. Feb. 13 and 23, 7 p.m.

The Forest (Les): Kirill Serebrennikov directs Ostrovsky's play about an itinerant tragedian and his comedian friend. Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. 7 p.m.

NEW **The Gin Game** (Igra v Dzhin): Donald L. Coburn's play about a couple that meets in an old folks home, and spars over heated card games. Directed by Galina Volchek, stars Lia Akhedzhakova and Valentin Gaft. Sovremennik Theater. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

MT PICK **The Gronholm Method** (Metod Gryonkholma): Jordi Galceran's play about job applicants forced to undergo strange tests to win a position. Directed by Javor Gardev. Theater of Nations. Feb. 13 and 14, 7 p.m.

The Maternal Field (see Mon. listing). Pushkin Theater affiliate. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

NEW **The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane** (see Sat. listing). Chekhov Moscow Art Theater small stage. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

NEW The Rose and the Cross (see Tues. listing). School of Dramatic Art. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

Thugs (see Wed. listing). Gogol Center. Feb. 13, 8 p.m.

Triptych: Pyotr Fomenko's three-part staging of Pushkin's "Count Nulin," "The Stone Guest," and "A Scene From 'Faust' by Goethe." Fomenko Studio New Stage. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

Uncle Vanya (Dyadya Vanya): Rimas Tuminas' often grotesque staging of Chekhov's play about people whose lives slip away in the Russian countryside. Stars Sergei Makovetsky. Vakhtangov Theater. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

NEW Unforgettable Meetings (see Fri. listing). Satire Theater. Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

NEW **Dona Flor and Her Two Husbands** (Dona Flor i Dva Yeyo Muzha): Andrei Prikotenko stages a romantic comedy based on Jorge Amadu's novel about a Brazilian woman's unlikely path to happiness. Lenkom Theater. Feb. 14 and 14, 7 p.m.

NEW No. 13D (see Thurs. listing). Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. Feb. 14 and 21,7 p.m.

Oddballs: (Chudaki): Maxim Gorky's lesser-known comedy about an acclaimed writer and his women. Mayakovsky Theater small stage. Feb. 14, 7 p.m.

Pagans (Yazychniki): Valeria Surkova stages Anna Yablonskaya's family drama. Teatr.doc. Feb. 14, 8 p.m.

Talents and Admirers (Talanty i Poklonniki): Alexander Ostrovsky's backstage play about a young actress trying to put up with jealous partners and pushy suitors. Directed by Mindaugas Karbauskis. Mayakovsky Theater. Feb. 14, 7 p.m. NEW Faryatyev's Fantasies (see Tues. Listing). Fomenko Studio. Feb. 15 and 24, 7 p.m.

NEW Notes of a Deadman (see Sun. listing). Studio of Theatrical Art. Feb. 15, 7 p.m.

MT PICK London Show (see Fri. listing). Satirikon Theater. Feb. 16, 20 and 25, 7 p.m.

MT PICK **The River Potudan** (Reka Potudan): Sergei Zhenovach's delicate dramatization of Andrei Platonov's story about fragile love. Studio of Theatrical Art. Feb. 18, 7 p.m.

NEW **Edge of the World** (Krai Sveta): Mikhail Palatnik's staging based on short stories by Vladimir Nabokov and Ivan Bunin. Okolo, the Theater Near the Stanislavsky House. Feb. 19, 7 p.m.

NEW Mashenka: (see Sat. listing). Mossoviet Theater Stage Pod Kryshei. Feb. 19, 7 p.m.

MT PICK King Lear (see Thurs. listing). Satirikon Theater. Feb. 21, 7 p.m.

NEW Moliere. Tartuffe (see Fri. listing). Hermitage Theater. Feb. 21 and 27, 7 p.m.

NEW Love as Militarism (see Fri. listing). DK Imeni Zuyeva. Feb. 28, 7 p.m.

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