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What's going on in YOUR waiter's mind?

**COFFEE CUP THEATRE COMPANY'S
ORIGINAL COMEDY ABOUT
LIFE IN THE RESTAURANT INDUSTRY
TURNING TABLES
OPENS OCTOBER 1, 2006
PREVIEWS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 28
AT COLLECTIVE: UNCONSCIOUS (279 CHURCH ST.)**

Coffee Cup (a Theatre Co.) will present the world premiere of **TURNING TABLES**, an original ensemble comedy about first impressions told through the eyes of waiters beginning Thursday, September 28, opening on Sunday, October 1st with Performances continuing through October 15th at Collective: Unconscious (279 Church St.). Gita Reddy directs.

Written and acted by the members of Coffee Cup (a theatre co.), **TURNING TABLES** draws on real life experiences and explores how our first impressions color our interaction with other people. This fast paced comedy uses only five actors to tell the story of life in the restaurant business, filled with illicit hook-ups, warring co-workers, and outrageous customers all the while shedding a hilarious and humane light on the basic interactions between server and served.

Gita Reddy's recent directing credits include productions and readings for Ma-Yi ("Boom" at LabFest, "Performing/Ethnicity" at the Ohio), Lark (Playwrights' Week), Second Generation ("Boom"), Lady Cavaliers ("Fighting the Clock", "Catalina de Erauso") and the sold-out run of "7Eleven: Franchised" for Desipina & Co. Her service in the Restaurant industry began as a 19 year-old hostess at The Source on Sunset in LA, famous for scene in Annie Hall when Woody orders a plate of mashed yeast.

The cast of **TURNING TABLES** includes Mike Ferrell (playwright and actor of the Fringe '06 and Fringe '06 Encore hit, THE BLUE MARTINI), Ishah Janssen-Faith, Jack McGowan (recently from the Northeast Shakespeare Ensemble), Hemmendy Nelson, Phil Vos.

Shaun Fillion is the Set and Lighting Designer, M'arion Talan is the Costume Designer, Diego Diaz is the Stage Manager.

Coffee Cup is a theatre collective that develops, writes and performs original, actor-driven theatre. The Company provides its members with a flexible forum within which they can experiment freely. Taking liberties with genre, mood and form while staying accessible, Coffee Cup aims to shine a humane and humorous light on the small, everyday relationships and interactions which define so much of our lives, and yet are so often taken for granted.

Performances of **TURNING TABLES** are Thurs-Sat 7:30 pm, and Sat-Sun 3:00 pm at Collective Unconscious (279 Church St.)

Tickets are \$15 and are available at www.theatermania.com. For more information, see www.coffeecuptheatre.org