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## LITTLE FISH THEATRE'S 2013 "PICK OF THE VINE" OPENS JANUARY 11 Eleventh Annual Offering of the Country's Best Shorts Sure to Draw Sold-Out Crowds

San Pedro, California -- December 18, 2012 -- Little Fish Theatre today announced the plays that will constitute the 11th Season of **Pick of the Vine**, an evening of original one-act plays that has become the signature production of this local arts landmark.

The 2013 **Pick of the Vine** will consist of:

**One for the Chipper** by Adam Seidel  
**A Name**, by Mark Cornell  
**The Kiss**, by Mark Harvey Levine  
**A Fine Romance**, by Ben Jolivet  
**Disconnections**, by Peter Kennedy  
**The Eiffel Truth**, by Susan Apker  
**The Divine Visitation of Joe Pickelsimer**, by Micah McCoy  
**The True Cost of Heavenly Birth Insurance**, by Bill Johnson

Ranging from five to fifteen minutes in length, these eight plays are the theatrical equivalent of Spanish tapas -- delightful bites of comedy and drama that, taken together, provide an eminently satisfying evening's entertainment. Most have never been performed before an audience. For dramatic variety and robust enjoyment, the collection of one-act plays Little Fish selects as "Pick of the Vine" is unique. This production will run from January 11 through February 16, 2013.

Over the years, "Pick of the Vine" has accumulated a loyal following, evident in the growing audiences. Last year, the count was over 1,050 -- remarkable since the Little Fish Theatre seats only 65 at a time. As in the past two seasons, this production is expected to sell out most performances.

The artistic team at Little Fish Theatre undertakes an arduous process making each year's selection from submitted manuscripts -- 592 this year -- carefully culling through to identify the choice moments of dramatic and comedic impact that make a mini-play ripe for the "Pick of the Vine" lineup. This year, script submissions came from Canada, Taiwan, Wales, England, Australia, Brazil, Macedonia, Korea, and Uzbekistan; but the final 2013 selections were all submitted by US writers. Likewise, the drama of the selected plays is built on the full range of human experience -- casual indifference, missed opportunity, comic ignorance, brave defiance -- through birth and death and everything in between.

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Cast members include many that Little Fish patrons will recognize, plus a few new faces: Holly Baker-Kreiswirth, Rachel Levy, Susie McCarthy, Rodney Rincon, Don Schlossman, Craig Shields and Bill Wolski. Heading the plays are directors Bill Wolski (POV 2012's *Au Naturel*), James Rice (*Present Laughter*), Holly Baker-Kreiswirth (*Tryst*) and Stephanie Coltrin (*The Love List, Bach at Leipzig*).

Founded in 2002, Little Fish Theatre presents classic and contemporary plays in an intimate setting on Centre Street in downtown San Pedro. Producing eleven plays each year for a one-room 60-seat venue, Little Fish delivers the quintessential close-up theatrical experience, where audience and performers share space and sight-lines, making for eruptive laughter, highly-charged action and palpable emotion.

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