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## ARDEN PLAYHOUSE CONTINUES ITS SECOND SEASON WITH A COMEDY PREMIERE

*Mervin's Magic* is another comedy, by local playwright Michael Messmer, opening January 7, 2011.

Some people (including his sister, May) think wealthy Mervin Coleman can't run his company because he's staying away from the office. A psychiatrist has been retained to evaluate Mervin's competence. Meanwhile, Mervin's niece (Lisa) wants him to find out if her husband (David) is having an affair. When David shows up to talk about a problem he has with his new business and introduces a strange woman, Mervin thinks she's the "other woman" and does his best to scare her away. Which is not too hard, given Mervin's penchant for dueling with imaginary foes. May creates more complications, both for Mervin and her son's marriage. How he sorts out his problems, helps save a marriage, neutralizes his sister and manages to keep the psychiatrist from having him put away, makes for a fast-paced comedy with lots of twists, sword-fights and surprising warmth.

*Mervin's Magic* has its Arden Playhouse opening on January 7th and continues on Friday and Saturday nights at 8pm until February 19th. Sunday matinees are January 16th, & 30th, at 2pm. All tickets are \$18 general admission. Tickets can be reserved by calling (916) 332-2582.

Arden Playhouse is located at 5640 Roseville Road, Suite D, Sacramento, and seats 150.

Arden Playhouse is a community theater dedicated to continuing its tradition of presenting entertainment in a casual setting.

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