



Press Release

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***Take Me Out* by Richard Greenberg has a 2 week run in Redwood City**

Darren has it all. He's one of the biggest baseball stars on the planet. Millions of adoring fans. Endorsements. And then he decides to come out of the closet. This winner of the 2003 Tony Award for Best New Play and Pulitzer Prize finalist tackles homophobia and racism amidst America's most traditional pastime. Though it was first produced over a decade ago, in the current era of Michael Sam and Jason Collins *Take Me Out* is just as powerful, moving and relevant it was when it originally premiered.

This show contains partial nudity and adult language and situations. This show is a part of the Dragon Theatre 2nd Stages series.

WHO: Written by Richard Greenberg, produced by Dale Albright, and directed by Ken Sonkin

Ken Sonkin (*Director*) is an actor/director whose work has been seen at American Conservatory Theater, Berkeley Rep, SF Playhouse, Marin Shakespeare Company, Broadway by the Bay, The Denver Center, Grove Shakespeare Festival (LA), Seacoast Rep (NH), and Pennsylvania Centre Stage. He holds an MFA from A.C.T. where he was a member of the acting company and core conservatory faculty. Ken has taught and directed for The National Theatre Conservatory, Stanford University, Northwestern University, and Solano College. He was the founding director for the professional actor-training program of American Musical Theater of San Jose, and served as artistic director for The Regency Center in San Francisco. Ken currently teaches acting at the USF and The San Francisco Ballet School.

Featuring: Brandon Jackson as Darren Lemming, Ryan O'Donnell as Kippy Sundstrom, Dale Albright as Mason Marzac, Rory Strahan-Mauk as Shane Mungitt, Russell Johnson as Davey Battle, Jon Deline as Toddy Koovitz, Tony Ortega as Rodriguez, Bobby Lopez as Martinez, Ric Forrester as Skippy/William R. Danziger, Drew Reitz as Jason Chenier, and Andrew Chung as Takeshi Kawabata

Designers: Dale Albright (Producer), Jeff Hamby (Costume Design), Kimberly Johnson (Assistant Directors/Stage Manager), Jesse Ploog (Assistant Stage Manager), Ken Sonkin (Director/Sound Design), Jennifer Varat (Properties/Set Design), Selina Young (Lighting Design), Maggie Ziomek (Graphic Design)

WHEN: July 11 – July 20, 2014

Fridays and Saturdays at 8p; Saturdays and Sundays at 2p

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SOLD OUT Saturday evening, July 19th.

Opening night reception July 11th after the show

Post-show discussion July 13th

WHERE: The Dragon Theatre in downtown Redwood City
2120 Broadway Street at the intersection of Broadway and Theatre Way

HOW MUCH: \$15 for all general admission seats.
\$100 for the VIP box (seats 4 people and includes champagne and chocolates.)

TIX & MORE INFO: <http://dragonproductions.net/>

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