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Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

New translation

THE PIT

●ADVANCETICKETS: 2010.9/12 (Sun)

Written by Tennessee Williams

Translated by Tsuneda Keiko

Directed by Matsumoto Yuko

Cast: Terajima Shinobu, Kitamura Yukiya, Hirooka Yuriko, Ginpuncho, Kiba Katsumi, Ichikawa Isamu, Mikami Ichiro

The second production in the "Japan Meets" series is Cat on a Hot Tin Roof by American playwright Tennessee Williams. Williams has said this was his favorite of all his plays, and it won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1955. It became a Broadway hit, with direction by Elia Kazan, and a film version was released in 1958 starring Elizabeth Taylor and Paul Newman. The NNTT version will feature an impressive cast which includes Terashima Shinobu, Kitamura Yukiya and Kiba Katsumi.

SYNOPSIS

A wealthy home in the American South. Big Daddy, head of the family, has built a plantation during his lifetime. When he falls ill, his doctor determines he has cancer and has a short time to live. But Big Daddy is not told the truth about his condition. His second son, Brick, has started drinking heavily following the death of his best friend. A certain incident has caused a rift between Brick and his wife, Maggie, who is desperate to win back his love. Meanwhile, his older brother Gooper and wife Mae have learned the truth about Big Daddy's illness, and are maneuvering to take over the estate. As the whole family gathers for Big Daddy's birthday party, the truths and lies between parent and child, sibling and sibling, and husband and wife are brought startlingly to light.