



*Actors Ensemble of Berkeley*  
*At Live Oak Theatre*  
**2011 Winter Staged Reading Series**

**Dear Liar**  
**by Jerome Kilty**

-- a staged reading --  
Directed by Alan Barkan

With: Alan Barkan and Helen Slomowitz

**ONE NIGHT ONLY**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 15th, 8 p.m.**

This epistolary drama features selections from correspondence between George Bernard Shaw and Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the great actress and muse, for whom he wrote the part of Eliza Doolittle in *Pygmalion*, and with whom he had a 40-year unconsummated love affair.

**Alan Barkan** (George Bernard Shaw) Alan directed Neil Simon's *Barefoot in the Park* and Murray Shisgall's *LUV* for Actors Ensemble of Berkeley at Live Oak Theatre, and has also acted as producer, stage manager, and/or graphic designer for a number of our productions. Most recently he directed a staged reading of "Short Works Referencing Shakespeare" for us in the summer of 2010. Alan moved back to the Bay Area from the East Coast, like many of us, to realize his dreams, which include producing live theatre, and lounging on the beach with a bevy of lovelies. Fortunately for us he has been able to realize at least a few of his dreams.

**Helen Slomowitz** (Mrs. Patrick Campbell) Helen has been the costume designer for numerous Actors Ensemble of Berkeley productions at Live Oak Theatre, including *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead*, *Hedda Gabler*, *Exit the King*, and most recently *Blithe Spirit*. Originally from Rhode Island, she made her way to Berkeley after a stint as a radio DJ in Indiana. Among other interesting jobs she has worked for a Tree-Trimming Company and a world-renowned Philosopher. She also dreams of lounging on the beach with a bevy of lovelies, though in her case of the male persuasion.

*Our Spring 2010 Program:*

**Passion Play** by Sarah Ruhl (West Coast Premiere!) opening **April 21<sup>st</sup>**

Spring Staged Reading Series:

April 26<sup>th</sup>: **Sea of Tranquility** by Kenneth Lonergan dir. by Bruce Coughran

May 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Short Works Referencing Baseball** dir. by Martha Luehrmann

May 17<sup>th</sup>: **Lobby Hero** by Kenneth Longergan dir. by Robert Estes

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