

Private **LIVES**

By **NOËL COWARD**
January 29 – February 14 | Preview January 28
Tom Hendry Warehouse

“Eternally chic, eternally funny” – New York Times

WINNIPEG, January 20, 2015 – Somehow, it never goes out of style to watch beautiful people behaving badly. In Noël Coward’s **PRIVATE LIVES**, we learn that some relationships are never really over when this comedic lovers’ quarrel hits the Tom Hendry Warehouse stage from **January 28 to February 14**.

Elyot Chase is happily divorced, but his newfound marital bliss is thrown for a loop when he and his new bride inadvertently find themselves spending their honeymoon in the suite adjoining his ex-wife Amanda and her new husband. As the old flame is rekindled, so is the venom that extinguished it in the first place. As only he can, Noël Coward creates characters whose sophistication, style and wit mask a delicious wickedness.

PRIVATE LIVES is Royal MTC’s contribution to the 2015 Master Playwright Festival, **CowardFest**, which brings professional and independent theatre companies, artists and organizations together to celebrate Coward’s vast body of work. CowardFest runs from January 28 to February 15.

PRIVATE LIVES stars **Graham Ashmore** as Victor Payne, **Eric Blais** as Elyot Chase, **Laura Olafson** as Amanda Payne, **Tracy Penner** as Sybil Chase and **Jane Testar** as Louise.

The creative team behind the production includes Director **Krista Jackson**, Apprentice Director **Rod Beilfuss**, Set & Costume Designer **Sue LePage**, Lighting Designer **Bill Williams**, Sound Designer **Mike Wright**, Fight Director **Jacquie Loewen**, Dialect & Text Coach **Shannon Vickers**, Stage Manager **Lisa Nelson** and Apprentice Stage Manager **Ali Fulmyk**.

Tickets for **PRIVATE LIVES** start at \$20.48 plus GST, For showtimes and ticket information, contact the Royal MTC Box Office at 204 942 6537, toll-free at 1 877 446 4500 or visit www.royalmtc.ca. Are you 25 or under? A limited number of \$15 rush tickets are available at noon on the day of the performance, unless the performance is sold out. For more information, visit www.royalmtc.ca/rush.

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***“Selfishness, cruelty, hatred, possessiveness, petty jealousy.
All those qualities came out in us just because we loved each other.” – Amanda***

MEDIA CALL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27 at 2 pm

Tom Hendry Warehouse
140 Rupert Ave at Lily

A scene from **PRIVATE LIVES** will be performed onstage at the Tom Hendry Warehouse with interviews immediately following.

PLEASE RSVP BY NOON, TUESDAY, JANUARY 27 to:

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PRODUCTION PHOTOS:

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