



Here's what the critics are saying about STAIN ... & **JOANNA BAYLESS**



"There is lovely material for the maternal granny [Joanna Bayless], including a quiet showpiece of a monologue that could become an audition staple. Bayless' well-timed performance penetrates to the character's core ..." **-Backstage**

One of the most intriguing actors on the stage is the just out of retirement Joanna Bayless as Theresa, Thomas's grandmother. Throughout the play, Bayless remained riveting in a strange way. White blonde hair pulled back by a colorful scarf, she delivered her lines with the gusto that was reminiscent of a fading B-film actress touring in stock. [However], when Bayless leeched the coyness from her tone, a portrait of a woman devastated by life and coping only on the surface begins to appear. Bayless is well on her way to offering the evening's most interesting and multi-layered performance." **- NY Press**

"Talented actors -- stomach-turning plot" **-Time Out New York**

"Director Scott C. Embler has several fine actors to work with ..." **-Variety**

"Compared to August: Osage County, Tony Glazer's new play Stain is a younger, hungrier cousin." **-Backstage**

"Joanna Bayless, Summer Crockett Moore and Jim O'Connor deliver believable multilayered performances as Thomas's disjointed family ..." **-OffOffOnline**

"The two most engaging characters are Thomas's obnoxious father (Jim O'Connor), whose open racism and sexism are refreshingly and hilariously not politically correct; and his grandmother (Joanna Bayless) a feisty lady who takes Botox injections and does funny things to herself in the shower. Kudos to O'Connor and Bayless." **-Curtain Up**

"Glazer's drama offers a beautifully paced, convincingly performed stage experience." **-Offoffonline.com**

"Multi-layered characters that get your attention" **-Variety**

"Scott C. Embler has directed his company into giving good, even excellent performances." **-TheaterScene**

Choice Theatricals Presents  
the world premiere of

# STAIN

Written By Tony Glazer  
Directed by Scott C. Embler

***What doesn't kill you leaves a mark***

The Kirk Theatre  
Theatre Row, NYC  
410 West 42nd Street  
July 11th to August 23rd, 2008

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**STAIN** follows 15-year-old Thomas through his quickly-crumbling life and the secrets his family tries to keep at bay. In this darkly comic piece about the complexities of family, Thomas is confronted with a choice that will either save or mark him forever.

**Featuring:**

Karina Arroyave, Joanna Bayless, Peter Brensinger,  
Summer Crockett Moore, Jim O'Connor, Tobias Segal

**Scenic Design:** Eddy Trotter

**Costume Design:** Cully Long

**Lighting Design:** Nick Kolin

**Sound Design & Original Music:** Andrew Eisele

**Casting Director:** Judy Bowman Casting

**Fight Director:** B.H. Barry

**Assistant Director:** Jennifer Ganske

**General Manager:** Cheryl Dennis

**Press:** Joe Trentacosta, Springer Associates PR

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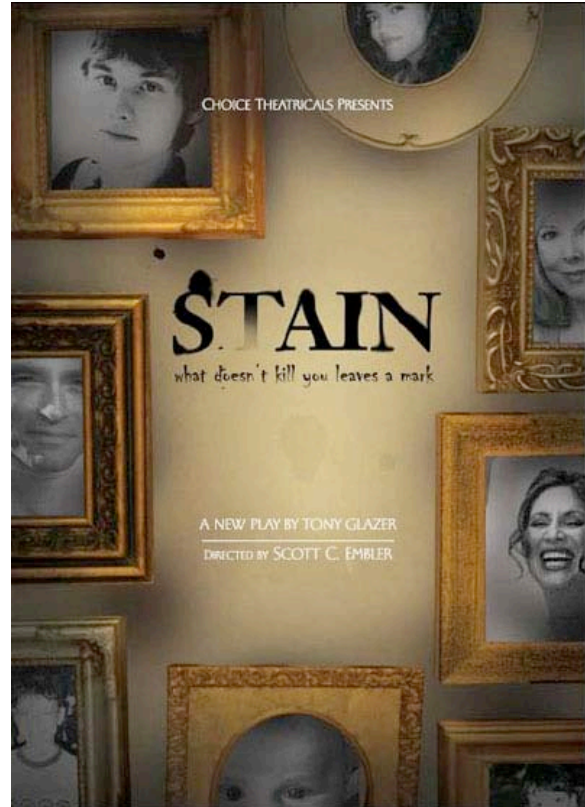
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**Production Stage Manager:** Barbara Janice Kielhofer

**Assistant Stage Manager:** Andrea Jess Berkey

**Website Design:** Dave T. Koenig

**Production Photos:** Orlando Behar



Summer Crockett Moore, Karina Arroyave, Joanna Bayless & Tobias Segal. Photo credit: Orlando Behar



Joanna Bayless (as Theresa). Photo credit: Orlando Behar