

Druid presents

My Brilliant Divorce

By Geraldine Aron

"...timed to perfection, delivered with gusto, and performed with real emotional understanding." **The Sunday Independent**

"...what's being offered here is an opportunity to spend 80 minutes in a roomful of people who sound like they haven't laughed so much in ages."
The Irish Times

"Deirdre and Druid a match made in heaven" **The Irish Independent**

Following the hugely successful and critically-acclaimed sell out tour of *My Brilliant Divorce* starring Deirdre O'Kane in the Autumn of 2007 – the hilarious but poignant story returns for a Spring Tour in 2008.

Angela who has recently been deserted by her accountant husband for a younger model finds herself adrift in a sea of weird sexual encounters, sneaky solicitors, phone-in counselors, a bad case of hypochondria and the spectre of poverty! Should she fight to keep her husband? Or should she sign the final papers and move on?

One of Ireland's best known stand up comedians, Deirdre began her career as an actress and has played every major theatre in Ireland as well as touring to Australia, Canada and the UK. Her most recent role was Jean in two sold-out runs of *Dandelions* at the Olympia in 2006. Acting credits on television include *The Whistleblowers* (ITV), *The Clinic* (RTE), *Fergus's Wedding* (RTE), *Paths To Freedom* (RTE/BBC), and *The Fitz* (BBC). She also hosted and co-wrote the 10-part series of stand-up and sketches *The Lounge* (RTE) which included guests such as Rich Hall, Phil Nichol, Adam Hills, and Dara O'Briain. Deirdre's feature film credits include: Frida in the BAFTA-nominated *Festival* (Film Four), Grace in *Boy Eats Girl* (Element Films) and Noeleen in *Intermission* (Company of Wolves). This is Deirdre's second production with Druid having previously played Miss Funny in *At the Black Pig's Dyke*.

Geraldine Aron was born in Galway, but spent most of her adult life in Zambia, Zimbabwe and South Africa. She now divides her time between Cape Town and London. Geraldine's association with Druid goes back to 1978 when Garry Hynes directed the Irish premiere of her first play, the multi-award winning *Bar and Ger*. Her plays, produced throughout the world, include *A Galway Girl*, *Same Old Moon*, *The Donahue Sisters* and *The Stanley Parkers*. She is the author of twelve plays produced for television and radio, and *Toscanini*, a screenplay directed by Franco Zeffirelli.

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Directed by Garry Hynes

Designed by Francis O'Connor

Lighting Design by Barry O'Brien

Starring Deirdre O'Kane

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Irish Tour Spring 2008

Mon 18 th Feb – Sat 23 rd Feb	Town Hall Theatre, Galway www.townhalltheatregalway.com Tel: 091 569 777
Mon 25 th Feb – Weds 27 th Feb	Cork Opera House, Cork www.corkoperahouse.ie Tel: 021 427 0022
Thurs 28 th Feb – Sat 1 st Mar	Dunamais Arts Centre, Portlaoise, Co. Laois www.dunamais.ie Tel: 057 866 3355
Mon 3 rd Mar – Tues 4 th Mar	Siamsa Tíre, Tralee, Co. Kerry www.siamsatire.com Tel: 066 712 3055
Thurs 6 th Mar – Sun 9 th Mar	LIT Millennium Theatre, Limerick www.litmt.ie Tel: 061 322 322

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