



## Press Release

**Civic Theatre Productions**  
in association with Gúna Nua Theatre Company  
presents

# **The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde**

A new production directed by David Parnell  
Design by Karen Weaver,  
Lighting by Mark Galione

**Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2001**  
**Previews: Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2001.**

If he were still around today, what would Oscar Wilde make of the city of his birth in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? With new trendy coffee shops, bars and clubs springing up everywhere, one gets the feeling that the post-boom Celtic Tiger Dublin is not a million miles away from the fashionable London society of the 1890's.

Past meets present in this fast, funny, sexy and above all trendy rendition of  
**The Importance of Being Earnest.**

Contemporised for a modern audience, this audacious production of Wilde's timeless classic aims to shake off those starched collars and constraining dresses and bring the play kicking and screaming into the new millennium.

As the man himself said "one has to be serious about something, if one wants to have any amusement in life" Right on, man!

Directed by Gúna Nua artistic director David Parnell the first rate cast includes Karen Ardiffe, Amelia Crowley, Laurence Lowry, Alan Smyth, Simon O'Gorman, Gene Rooney and Eithne Woodcock.

**Main Auditorium  
Civic Theatre  
Tallaght  
Dublin 24**

**Booking: 01 462 7477**  
Admission: £12 & £10 concessions  
Previews: All tickets £7

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