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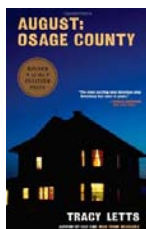
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About the play: In the spirit of William Faulkner and Eugene O'Neill, this grand, gripping play tells the story of the Westons, a large clan that comes together at their rural Oklahoma homestead when the alcoholic patriarch disappears. Forced to confront unspoken truths and astonishing secrets, the family must also contend with Violet, a pill-popping, deeply unsettled woman at the center of this storm. A rare theatrical event, this powerful work is filled with unforgettable characters and told with unflinching honesty.

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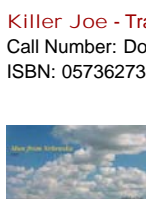
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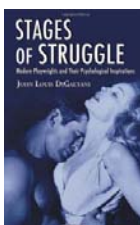
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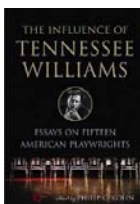
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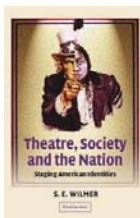
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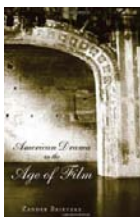
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- ["Oklahoma Gothic," article by Robert Cashill. Live Design](#)
 {excerpt} ...Fashioning a nest for these vipers is scenic designer Todd Rosenthal, who, like just about everyone involved, is a long-time member of the much more agreeable Steppenwolf ensemble. Rosenthal put an entire three-story-tall house on stage as the piece evolved, or, rather, the bones of one. The designer had worked with the playwright before, on a show that has yet to premiere in New York, The Man from Nebraska . "He likes his sets to be very replete," Rosenthal says.
- ["Domestic Disputes" article by Mollie Wilson O'Reilly. Commonweal](#)
 {excerpt} "...nothing that transpires among the Weston siblings and in-laws is quite as astonishing as the cruelty with which the ailing matriarch, Violet, eviscerates her children. Dramatic convention seems to dictate that the family, reuniting under tragic circumstances, should work through their pain and find some resolution and peace. But every attempt at reconciliation across the play's three acts withers in the face of another thrillingly nasty attack from Mom."
- [Big names show big commitment to keeping Steppenwolf on cutting edge](#)
 On Broadway last season, New Yorkers marveled at how the Chicago troupe had somehow managed to keep together a group that could do the heavy day-to-day lifting on such a show and yet also include celebrity names like Terry Kinney, Joan Allen, Gary Sinise and John Malkovich. Steppenwolf s secret is a loose-knit acting family that successfully walks the very fine line between keeping all its pivotal names engaged and involved and allowing them the freedom to do their own work across the globe.
- ["The new family on stage: broken and transient." Simi Horwitz, in Back Stage.](#)
 Abstract: A trend in theater is the presentation of family life that is far different from the traditional portrayals depicted by Eugene O'Neill and Tennessee Williams. Several plays...are examined, including William Nicholson's "The Retreat from Moscow," Peter Hedges's "Good as New," Paula Vogel's "The Long Christmas Ride Home," and Tristine Skyler's "The Moonlight Room."

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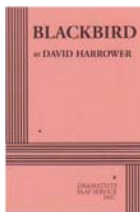
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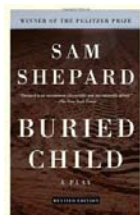
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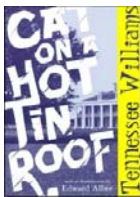
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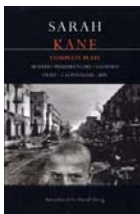
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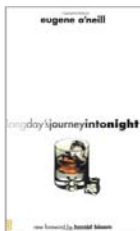
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