

AUDITION INFORMATION

YANKEE TAVERN

By Steve Dietz

Directed by Tom Amen

Audition Dates: December 3 and 4, 2014

Audition Time: 7:00 PM

**Audition Location: Mainstage Theater
Golden West College
15744 Goldenwest Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92647**

Roles Available: 3 Men, 1 Woman

Roles Open: ALL

Pay: None

**Suggested Audition Preparation: Read the play, which is available from
Dramatists Play Service, Inc.**

NOTE: Rehearsals begin January 26, 2015

**NOTE: All actors who are cast will be required to enroll in a 2 unit
Theater Production course**

About the Play:

This startling, thought-provoking drama by Steven Dietz is sure to leave audiences questioning everything they know, or *think* they know! When a mysterious stranger walks into a New York City tavern and orders two beers, one for himself and one for his absent friend, what seems like the beginning of a barroom joke quickly becomes a sobering descent into the dark corners of urban legend, and America's obsession with conspiracy theories. From Apollo 11 astronauts landing on the moon, to 9/11 hijacker's crashing into the World Trade Center, Dietz cunningly draws us into that vague middle ground between fact and fiction, weaving a tale that is at once chilling, disconcerting, and ultimately *mind-bending*. Taking a cue from John Patrick Shanley's play, *Doubt*, Dietz's *Yankee Tavern* is not a study of cold, hard fact, but a meditation on the agonizing nature of uncertainty. "*What you don't know can't hurt you.*" Really?

Please note that this production contains adult language and situations, and is intended for mature audiences.

Character Breakdown:

Unless otherwise indicated, all characters are in their late 20's to early 30's.

Adam (Male) 20s - A graduate student who owns Yankee Tavern, Adam inherited the bar from his deceased father. There is more to him than meets the eye; a keeper of secrets.

Janet (Female) 20s – Adam's fiancé. A smart and level-headed young woman. She is in love with Adam, but not entirely trusting of him.

Ray (Male) 60s - Ray was the best friend of Adam's deceased father. A curmudgeon and unabashed conspiracy theorist, Ray has a big mouth, a bigger heart, and an answer for everything.

Palmer (Male) 40's - A mysterious stranger; there are layers of potential menace beneath his cool, detached exterior.

Further questions regarding this audition should be directed to Tom Amen at tamen@gwc.cccd.edu or 714-892-7711, Ext. 55237