

Worth the Trip

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The bedtime Boogies

We all know how hard it is to go back to sleep after waking in the middle of the night. It is even harder when five swinging, scat-singing Boogies keep you awake, as they do in "4 a.m. Boogie Blues." This a cappella be-bop group won't let Diana sleep until she decides to get her life together. Until then she'll be tossing and turning all night long.

"4 a.m. Boogie Blues" begins previews at 8:15 p.m. today at The Theatre Building, 1225 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago. The show opens May 3. Tickets are \$15-22. Call (773) 327-5252.

Diary of a mad dictator

Peace, prosperity and serious weaponry are at stake in "The Waltz Invention," written by "Lolita" author Vladimir Nabokov. Inventor and poet Salvator Waltz has created a weapon of unparalleled power and offers to share it with his country - for a price, of course. Waltz is power-hungry and wants to be in charge of everything. After an interview with The Minister of War, he just may get what he wants.

"The Waltz Invention" begins previews at 8 p.m. today at Strawdog Theatre, 3829 N. Broadway, Chicago. Performances continue through June 13. Tickets are \$8-\$15. Call (773) 528-9696.

Female bonding

The lives of four women, all friends and co-workers, intertwine in "Deeper Shade of Blue," a new comedy-drama by Jean Adamak. Claire runs a greeting card company from her home, employing her friend Jesse, Jesse's ex-lover Cassandra, and Rebecca, a woman with a secret past. The bonds that hold them together are tested as they face personal changes and everyday disasters.

"Deeper Shade of Blue" begins previews at 7 p.m. Saturday at Footsteps Theatre, 5230 N. Clark St., Chicago. Tickets are \$7-\$14. (773) 878-4840.

- Stacey Cara Cohen

What's New

- "Leonard Eto and Guests," featuring the Jellyeye Drum Performance Troupe, Tatsu Aoki, Mwata Bowden and more, perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Saint Scholastica High School, 7416 N. Ridge, Chicago. Tickets are \$25. Proceeds benefit The Actors Gymnasium. (847) 328-2795

- "Anastasia Krupnik" opens Saturday at Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood, Chicago. (773) 761-4477

Closings

- "Cats" closes Sunday at Shubert Theatre, 22 W. Monroe, Chicago. (312) 902-1500

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