

## GROVES CABIN THEATRE PRESENTS TONY AWARD-WINNING BLACK COMEDY *ART*

Groves Cabin Theatre in Morongo Valley will present *Art*, by **Yasmina Reza** and translated by **Christopher Hampton**, as the second show of its 2003-2004 season. The hilarious black comedy, winner of the Moliere award in France, the Olivier award in England, and the Tony Award in the U.S., comes to the Cabin under the direction of **Jim R. Warner**, director of the Cabin Theatre's acclaimed *Visiting Mr. Green* last year.

*Art* features actors **John Corley**, **Andrew Hamling** and **Timothy Kroe**. John Corley has been seen in productions at High Desert Playhouse, Palm Canyon Theatre, as well as Groves Cabin Theatre. Timothy Kroe teaches acting classes for teenagers and is a Palm Springs artist. In addition to appearing in the production, Kroe created the three paintings seen in the play.

The play asks the question: "Are you who you think you are or are you who your friends think you are?" Serge (Hamling) has bought a modern white, 4-foot by 5-foot painting he admires for a huge price. But where Serge finds beauty in the basically white-on-white canvas, his oldest friend Marc (Corley) dismisses the painting with contempt and sees its purchase as an affront to their friendship. Their close friend Yvan (Kroe) has problems of his own, but finds himself in the eye of a hurricane that could destroy the trio's long friendship and the pricey painting too.

"ART" runs Nov. 7 through Dec. 14, Friday and Saturday at 8 pm. and Sundays at 2:30 pm  
Tickets are \$10, \$8 for seniors; call 363-6126. Seating is limited, so make reservations early.

## JERE RING HOSTS THE ART OF ART FUNDRAISER

M Modern Art Gallery of Palm Springs and Groves Cabin Theatre will present The Art of *ART* Nov. 1 from 6 to 8 pm, celebrating modern art and the play *ART* (opening at Groves Cabin Theatre November 7). Palm Springs entertainer **Jere Ring** is hosting the fund-raiser. M Modern Gallery will showcase the three paintings used in the Groves production of *ART* The paintings are the work of Palm Springs artist **Timothy Kroe**, one of the cast members. New paintings by the artist will also be on display. Director **Jim R. Warner** and the *ART* cast - **John Corley**, **Andrew Hamling** and **Kroe** - will be present to discuss the play.

M Modern Art Gallery is owned and operated by **Jay and Mishell Nailor**. Founded in 2003, the gallery is dedicated to serving its artists, patrons and collectors. M Modern Gallery specializes in mid-century modernist art, design and objects.

All paintings shown at the reception will be for sale, and a percentage of the proceeds will go to the theater to maintain it and make needed improvements. M Modern Art Gallery is located at 400 N. Palm Canyon Drive. Free sports bottles from Desert Water Agency will be given out to guests (while supplies last). A \$5 donation (requested but not mandatory) goes to Groves to help maintain their theater and make needed improvements..