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New from TCG Books:
Pantheon (and School) by David Mamet

NEW YORK, NY – Theatre Communications Group (TCG) is pleased to announce the publication of David Mamet’s Keep Your Pantheon (and School), a pairing of two unrelated, short plays by one of our most compelling writers. Keep Your Pantheon received its world premiere at Center Theater Group in Los Angeles, while the two comic plays received their New York City premiere as a double bill at Atlantic Theater Company. David Mamet’s newest play, The Anarchist, is slated for a Broadway premiere in fall 2012, starring Patti Lupone and Laurie Metcalf.

“One of the undeniably great playwrights of the baby boomer generation...His zany recent lampoon Keep Your Pantheon…showcase[s] what is perhaps Mamet’s most underrated gift: his Houdini-like ability to slip out of pigeonholes.” — Los Angeles Times

Best known for his precision-blade language and hot-button subject matter, David Mamet shows off a lighter side with his equally dexterous screwball comedy Keep Your Pantheon. Featuring an over-the-hill acting guru who lusts after both his toga-clad protégé Philius and a spot in the Sicilian Cork Festival, Mamet’s play returns to the roots of comedy, paying homage to the Roman playwright Plautus, whose works also inspired Shakespeare’s The Comedy of Errors and the musical A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. This volume also contains School: a crackling curtain-raiser in which two teachers shoot back-and-forth on topics ranging from pedophilia to recycling.

“School offers a textbook example of the style that made its author famous…This is verbal vaudeville as only Mr. Mamet can deliver it.” — New York Times

David Mamet is a playwright, director, author, essayist, screenwriter and film director. His plays include the Pulitzer Prize-winning Glengarry Glen Ross, Speed-the-Plow, American Buffalo, Oleanna, The Cryptogram, Race and the upcoming The Anarchist.
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