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## Good Boys and True

**Written By:** Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa*A mother's love like no other...but how far will one go...?*

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**Vancouver, British Columbia, August 8, 2009:** Jeff Hyslop is back. Born in Vancouver, he's an actor, singer, dancer, choreographer, and director. His most famous roles were as Jeff the mannequin in the children's show *Today's Special* and as the title role (975 performances) in the Canadian travelling production of *The Phantom of the Opera*. After a six year absence, he'll direct Eye Heart's second production, a Canadian première, 'Good Boys and True' running September 9 - 19 at the Firehall Arts Centre. Starring Teryl Rothery, as the mother who will go to great lengths to protect her son.... from film to stage prevents no obstacles for this very celebrated local actor.

*Good Boys and True* received its world premiere at The Steppenwolf Theatre, December 21, 2007, and then travelled to New York opening on May 19, 2008. Sacasa's drama is a thoughtful take on American class privilege, a popular young 80s prep school student, who seemed to have it all including good looks, excellent grades and athletic prowess – but needs to deal with his fears over being gay. Brandon is compelled to hide who he truly is from everyone else until a video tape surfaces that threatens to destroy his future. Hyslop stated, "Youth's 'new culture' has seemingly already taken hold (1989)...and the pressure from the 'old-guard', the 'establishment', are in conflict with that...who will win? Ultimately the youth of today, with their reckless invincibility, strike out without a doubt, of anything but victory in their sights - but the slow, powerful girth of academia and 'class', slowly and insidiously overpowers their naive short-sightedness! It is the ultimate expulsion, from their over-protected world of smugness. It is truly tragic!" The play reveals the crumbling of the façade.

Hyslop has received numerous awards including, 3 Jessie Awards(Vancouver) - 2 for Best Choreography, the other for Best Director; 5 nominations for the ACTRA Award for Best Variety Performer and a Dora Mavor Moore Award in 1984 for "On Tap". He'll be directing an all local cast; Greg Bishop, Taylor Bishop, Steve Love, Claire Robertson, Tara Fynn, and starring [Teryl Rothery](#) as Elizabeth Hardy. Rothery has appeared on stage, film and TV. She's best known for her recurring role on Stargate SG-1 as Dr. Janet Frasier. The creative team that brought you *Ashes* is again working behind the scenes; Greg Bishop, producer, director, set/lighting designer; Taylor Bishop, co-producer, sound designer; Hilary Marsh, costume designer; Jelena Ikonovic, stage manager; Jen O'Rourke, asst stage manager and Melanie Bishop, graphic artist.

*Good Boys and True* opens September 9, 2009 and runs until Sept 19, 2009 at the Firehall Arts Centre located at 280 E Cordova Street, Vancouver, B.C. Performances Monday to Saturday at 8:00 pm with matinees on Saturdays at 2:00 pm. Ticket prices for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday evening performances and Saturday matinees are \$24.00 to \$27.00. Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings are \$29.50 to \$27.00. Coarse Language – Strong Adult Themes. Tickets are available through Firehall Box Office at 604.689-0926 or online at [www.eyehartproductions.com](http://www.eyehartproductions.com).

The members of Eye Heart Productions have been involved in theatre across Canada for more than a decade and are members of Theatre BC and the GVPTA. They partner with local artists in order to produce intelligent, emotionally challenging, and hard-hitting works of theatre, film, music and visual arts with a focus on independent Canadian artists. To offer innovative and emotional art in multiple forms, envisioned, created, and produced locally.

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