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The Lie

By Florian Zeller

Directed by Ross Jolly

Translated by Christopher Hampton

Starring Gavin Rutherford, Andrew Foster,
Bronwyn Turei and Claire Dougan.

Circa One

17 April - 5 May

Tues - Thurs 6.30pm, Fri - Sat 8pm, Sun 4pm

\$25 - \$52

There is no doubt that the hot French author Florian Zeller is the playwright de jour. His astonishingly brilliant play *The Father*, a tragicomic take on dementia, was a highly acclaimed hit, both internationally and here in Wellington.

Fresh from its recent sold-out London run comes Zeller's latest play, *The Lie*. An intelligent comedy about truth, lies and infidelity Michel and Laurence are coming for dinner. But Alice has spotted Michel kissing another woman that very afternoon leaving her with the dilemma, should she tell her friend what she saw or not? Her husband Paul believes it is better to behave as if nothing has happened; Alice is far from sure. As their own relationship is held up to scrutiny ... it becomes clear that some truths are best left unsaid. In affairs of the heart, the line between truth and lie can be a dangerous one to cross.



The great success of Zeller's critically acclaimed plays owes much to the pitch-perfect translations by the highly successful Christopher Hampton (*Liaisons Dangereuses*). The pairing of these two extraordinary talents is devastatingly effective.

The Lie features Zeller's hallmarks of sharp writing, a flirtatious desire to provoke and tease audiences while moving with the fluency of a dance that keeps turning on its own heel. It's smart, surprising and painfully funny.

The Lie is indeed a 'devious must see'.

"Zeller, a clever and cunning craftsman, mines the comedy in the ever-shifting layers of infidelity and exposes some of the hypocrisies which sustain modern life." - Ross Jolly, Director

PLEASE NOTE: *The Lie* replaces the previously advertised *The Truth*

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That highly entertaining scenarios can be conjured out of thin air by people whose major skill is to listen to each other, accept what is offered and build on it with alacrity, still rates as small miracles to me. - Theatreview

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