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The Clean House and Other Plays

This volume is the first publication of Sarah Ruhl, "a playwright with a unique comic voice, perspective and sense of theater," (Variety) who is fast leaving her mark on the American stage. In the award-winning Clean House-a play of uncommon romance and uncommon comedy-a maid who hates cleaning dreams about creating the perfect joke, while a doctor who treats cancer leaves his heart inside one of his patients. This volume also includes Eurydice, Ruhl's reinvention of the tragic Greek tale of love and loss; Late, a cowboy song and Melancholy Play

The Clean House

Typescript, dated opening night Oct. 30, 2006. Used by The New York Public Library's Theatre on Film and Tape Archive on Jan. 25, 2007, when videotaping the stage production by Lincoln Center Theater at Mitzi E. Newhouse, New York, N.Y. The production was directed by Bill Rauch.

A Study Guide for Sarah Ruhl's The Clean House

A Study Guide for Sarah Ruhl's "The Clean House"

The Verbal Arts Workbook

Actors need to learn not only how to use their voice, but to use voice and language together. This book is about the expressive potential of language, and how actors can develop the verbal skills to release that potential. Written by tutors at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) and authors of the successful companion title, The Vocal Arts Workbook + DVD, this book provides practical approaches to each aspect of verbal expression: Sound: speech sounds and how to use them more expressively Image: bring life and specificity to images when you speak Sense: focus on the most significant words and phrases in a speech or scene Rhythm: how rhythm is created and used in both verse and prose Argument: the structure or logic of language Putting it all together using one classical and one modern scene Each of the chapters consists of several sections: Framework; Exploration; Exercises; Follow-up;

Suggested Texts; and Further Reading, addressing the learner throughout, but also providing Teaching Tips which give specific notes for teachers.

Sarah Ruhl

Although not yet 40, two-time Pulitzer finalist Sarah Ruhl has established herself as one of America's most innovative and productive playwrights. She is known for charting complex currents of desire and broaching weighty topics such as bereavement with a light, whimsical touch. This critical volume represents the first full-length, comprehensive study of her work. The text tracks the evolution of her style and aesthetic, situates her body of work within the American theatre scene, investigates her influences, and analyzes her plays in depth, including *Eurydice*, *The Clean House*, *Passion Play*, and *In the Next Room or the vibrator play*.

The Facts on File Companion to American Drama

Features a comprehensive guide to American dramatic literature, from its origins in the early days of the nation to the groundbreaking works of today's best writers.

The Methuen Drama Guide to Contemporary American Playwrights

Unrivalled in its coverage of recent work and writers, *The Methuen Drama Guide to Contemporary American Playwrights* surveys and analyses the breadth, vitality and development of theatrical work to emerge from America over the last fifty years. This authoritative guide leads you through the work of 25 major contemporary American playwrights, discussing more than 140 plays in detail. Written by a team of 25 eminent international scholars, each chapter provides: · a biographical introduction to the playwright's work; · a survey and concise analysis of the writer's most important plays; · a discussion of their style, dramaturgical concerns and critical reception; · a bibliography of published plays and a select list of critical works. Among the many Tony, Obie and Pulitzer prize-winning playwrights included are Sam Shepard, Tony Kushner, Suzan-Lori Parks, August Wilson, Paula Vogel and Neil LaBute. The abundance of work analysed enables fresh, illuminating conclusions to be drawn about the development of contemporary American playwriting.

Nick Hern Books

Historical Dictionary of Contemporary American Theater presents the plays and personages, movements and institutions, and cultural developments of the American stage from 1930 to 2010, a period of vast and almost continuous change. It covers the ever-changing history of the American theater with emphasis on major movements, persons, plays, and events. This is done through a chronology, an introductory essay, an extensive bibliography, and over 1,500 cross-referenced dictionary entries. This book is an excellent access point for students, researchers, and anyone wanting to know more about the history of American theater.

Historical Dictionary of Contemporary American Theater

How stage directions convey not what a given moment looks like--but how it feels

The Lines Between the Lines

In this unprecedented, fascinating book which covers women in theatre from the 1910s to the 2010s, author Lynne Greeley notes that, for the purposes of this study, "feminism" is defined as the political impulse toward economic and social empowerment for females or the female-identified, a position perceived by many feminists as oppositional to ideas of femininity that they see as personally and politically constraining and that "femininity" comprises social behaviors and practices that mean as "many different things as there are women," some of which are empowering and others of which are not. This book illuminates how throughout the twentieth century and into the twenty-first, playwrights and artists in American theatre both embodied and disrupted the feminine of their times. Through approaches as wide ranging as performing their own recipes, energizing silences, raging against war and rape, and inviting the public to inscribe their naked bodies, theatre artists have used performance as a site to insert themselves between the physicality of their female presence and the liminality of their disrupting the role of the feminine. Capturing that place of liminality, a neither-here-nor-there place that is often unsafe, where the established order is overturned by acts as banal as raising a plant, women have written and performed and disrupted their way through one hundred years of theatre history, even

within the constraints of a variably rigid and usually unsympathetic social order. Creating a feminist femininity, they have reinscribed their place in the culture and provided models for their audiences to do the same. This comprehensive tome, part of the Cambria Contemporary Global Performing Arts headed by John Clum (Duke University) is an essential addition for theater studies and women's studies.

Fearless Femininity by Women in American Theatre, 1910s to 2010s

Sarah Ruhl is one of the most highly-acclaimed and frequently-produced American playwrights of the 21st century. Author of eighteen plays and the essay collection *100 Essays I Don't Have Time to Write*, she has won a MacArthur "Genius" Grant and the Steinberg Distinguished Playwright Award, been nominated for a Tony Award for *In the Next Room* or the vibrator play and twice been a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for *The Clean House* and *In the Next Room*. Ruhl is a writer unafraid of the soul. She writes not about "this or that issue," but "about being," creating plays that ask "big questions about death, love, and how we should treat each other in this lifetime." In this volume, Amy Muse situates Ruhl as an artist-thinker and organizes her work around its artistic and ethical concerns. Through a finely-grained account of each play, readers are guided through Ruhl's early influences, the themes of intimacy, transcendence, and communion, and her inventive stagecraft to dramatize "moments of being" onstage. Enriched by essays from scholars Jill Stevenson, Thomas Butler, and Christina Dokou, an interview with directors Sarah Rasmussen and Hayley Finn, and a chronology of Ruhl's life and work, this is a companionable guide for students of American drama and theatre studies. Amy Muse specializes in dramatic literature and performance studies at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota, where she is Associate Professor and Chair of the English Department. She is the author of "Sarah Ruhl's Sex Ed for Grownups" (Text & Presentation 2013) and essays on Romantic drama, intimate theatre, female Hamlets, and travel in Romantic Circles, *Romanticism: The Journal of Romantic Culture & Criticism*, *Frontiers*, and other journals. METHUEN DRAMA CRITICAL COMPANIONS Series Editors: Patrick Lonergan (National University of Ireland, Galway) and Kevin J. Wetmore, Jr. (Loyola Marymount University, USA)

The Drama and Theatre of Sarah Ruhl

Cleanliness is next to enlightenment. In this Japanese bestseller a Buddhist monk explains the traditional cleaning techniques that will help cleanse not only your house - but your soul. 'We remove dust to sweep away our worldly desires. We scrub dirt to free ourselves of attachments. We live simply and take time to contemplate the self, mindfully living each moment. It's not just monks that need to live this way. Everyone in today's busy world today needs it. The Zen sect of Buddhism is renowned for the cleanliness of its monks, but cleaning is greatly valued in Japanese Buddhism in general as a way to cultivate the mind. In this book, I introduce everyday cleaning methods typically employed in temples, while sharing what it's like to be a monk in training. This book will improve the condition not just of your own mind, but also the people around you. I hope readers will discover that cleanliness is an opportunity to contemplate oneself.'

A Monk's Guide to a Clean House and Mind

Named one of the "Ten Best Plays of 2008" by *The New Yorker* "Sarah Ruhl's bold, inventive, and ironic triptych [is] a meditation on devotion and its appropriation by the state. . . . Ruhl is an original; a storyteller with a fine mind evolving her own theatrical idiom."—John Lahr, *The New Yorker* "It's a different kind of morality play . . . an often wondrous work . . . with [Ruhl's] own special lyrical blend of poetry, humor and grace."—Frank Rizzo, *Variety* *Passion Play* is Sarah Ruhl's "biggest, most ambitious effort yet" (*The New York Times*), a three-and-a-half hour intimate epic, plunging the depths of the timely intersection of politics and religion. Ruhl dramatizes a community of players rehearsing their annual staging of the Easter Passion in three different eras: 1575 northern England, just before Queen Elizabeth outlaws the ritual; 1934 Oberammergau, Bavaria, as Hitler is rising to power; and Spearfish, South Dakota, from the time of Vietnam through Reagan's presidency. In each period, the players grapple in different ways with the transformative nature of art, and politics are never far in the background, as Queen Elizabeth, Hitler, and Reagan each appear, played by a single commanding actor. Sarah Ruhl's plays include *Dead Man's Cell Phone*, *Eurydice*, and *The Clean House*, which was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize. Her work has been widely produced both throughout the country and internationally, and she is the recipient of the MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship.

Passion Play (TCG Edition)

A new comedy by the author of *The Clean House*.

Dead Man's Cell Phone (TCG Edition)

The Decades of Modern American Drama series provides a comprehensive survey and study of the theatre produced in each decade from the 1930s to 2009 in eight volumes. Each volume equips readers with a detailed understanding of the context from which work emerged: an introduction considers life in the decade with a focus on domestic life and conditions, social changes, culture, media, technology, industry and political events; while a chapter on the theatre of the decade offers a wide-ranging and thorough survey of theatres, companies, dramatists, new movements and developments in response to the economic and political conditions of the day. The work of the four most prominent playwrights from the decade receives in-depth analysis and re-evaluation by a team of experts, together with commentary on their subsequent work and legacy. A final section brings together original documents such as interviews with the playwrights and with directors, drafts of play scenes, and other previously unpublished material. The major playwrights and their plays to receive in-depth coverage in this volume include: * Theresa Rebeck: *Omnium Gatherum* (2003), *Mauritius* (2007), and *The Understudy* (2008); * Sarah Ruhl: *Eurydice* (2003), *Clean House* (2004), and *In the Next Room (or the Vibrator Play)* (2009); * Lynn Nottage: *Intimate Apparel* (2003), *Fabulation or Re-Education of Undine* (2004), and *Ruined* (2008); * Charles Mee: *Big Love* (2000), *Wintertime* (2005), and *Hotel Cassiopeia* (2006).

Modern American Drama: Playwriting 2000-2009

The Dramatic Text Workbook and Video explores the expressive potential of language and how you, as an actor, director or teacher, can develop the skills to release that potential in rehearsal and performance. Written by acclaimed voice teachers David Carey and Rebecca Clark Carey, this practical textbook shows how to bring together the power of language with voice and provides practical approaches to each aspect of verbal expression with the aid of classical and modern scenes and speeches. Chapters consider: · Sound: speech sounds and how to use them more expressively · Image: bringing life and specificity to images when you speak · Sense: how to focus on the most significant words and phrases in a speech or scene · Rhythm: how rhythm is created and used in both verse and prose · Argument: the structure or logic of language The Dramatic Text Workbook and Video, a new edition of *The Verbal Arts Workbook*, includes a revised introduction, updated reading lists and access to over 90 minutes of online video workshops, exploring the key techniques and tactics discussed in the book.

The Dramatic Text Workbook and Video

An enchanting new comedy by Pulitzer Prize finalist Sarah Ruhl.

Stage Kiss

From the gouging out of eyes in Shakespeare's *King Lear* or Sarah Kane's *Cleansed*, to the adaptation of Philip Pullman's *His Dark Materials* trilogy, theatre has long been intrigued by the staging of challenging plays and impossible texts, images or ideas. *Performing the Unstageable: Success, Imagination, Failure* examines this phenomenon of what the theatre cannot do or has not been able to do at various points in its history. The book explores four principal areas to which unstageability most frequently pertains: stage directions, adaptations, violence and ghosts. Karen Quigley incorporates a wide range of case studies of both historical and contemporary theatrical productions including the Wooster Group's exploration of *Hamlet* via the structural frame of John Gielgud's 1964 filmed production, Elevator Repair Service's eight-hour staging of Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* and a selection of impossible stage directions drawn from works by such playwrights as Eugene O'Neill, Philip Glass, Caryl Churchill, Sarah Kane and Alistair McDowall. Placing theatre history and performance analysis in such a context, *Performing the Unstageable* values what is not possible, and investigates the tricky underside of theatre's most fundamental function to bring things to the place of showing: the stage.

American Theatre

"*Eurydice* is a luminous retelling of the Orpheus myth from his beloved wife's point of view. Watching it, we enter a singular, surreal world, as lush and limpid as a dream—an anxiety dream of love and loss—where both author and audience swim in the magical, sometimes menacing, and always thrilling

flow of the unconscious... Ruhl's theatrical voice is reticent and daring, accurate and outlandish." —John Lahr, *New Yorker* A reimagining of the classic myth of Orpheus through the eyes of its heroine. Dying too young on her wedding day, Eurydice journeys to the underworld, where she reunites with her beloved father and struggles to recover lost memories of her husband and the world she left behind.

Journal of Dramatic Theory and Criticism

This highly readable book traces the history of tragedy and comedy from their earliest beginnings to the present. It argues that sacrifice, which in part expresses the human need to confront and overcome death, is central to both. It describes how the meanings of sacrifice change over time but never quite disappear. The book also explains why comedy but tragedy in particular decay and how some of their functions are taken over by reality TV and the blockbuster movie. The prime focus is on plays and how they reflect and respond to the great changes like the rise of Christianity, the Enlightenment and the coming of mass society. But a close study of these plays also reveals a number of continuities centred around sacrifice which illuminate aspects of human psychology and social organisation.

Performing the Unstageable

100 Essays I Don't Have Time to Write is an incisive, idiosyncratic collection on life and theater from major American playwright Sarah Ruhl. This is a book in which chimpanzees, Chekhov, and child care are equally at home. A vibrant, provocative examination of the possibilities of the theater, it is also a map to a very particular artistic sensibility, and an unexpected guide for anyone who has chosen an artist's life. Sarah Ruhl is a mother of three and one of America's best-known playwrights. She has written a stunningly original book of essays whose concerns range from the most minimal and personal subjects to the most encompassing matters of art and culture. The titles themselves speak to the volume's uniqueness: "On lice," "On sleeping in the theater," "On motherhood and stools (the furniture kind)," "Greek masks and Bell's palsy."

Eurydice

If you're tired of staring at the same mess every day, but struggling to find the time and willpower to clean it, you probably have a very good reason: anxiety, fatigue, depression, ADHD, or lack of support. Designed by therapist KC Davis, this revolutionary method of cleaning and organizing helps end the stress-mess cycle. After KC Davis gave birth to her second child, she didn't fold a single piece of laundry for seven months. Between postpartum depression and ADHD, she felt numb and overwhelmed. She regained her sanity--and the functionality of her home--after one life-changing realization: You don't work for your home; your home works for you. In other words, messiness is not a moral failing. A new sense of calm washed over her as she let go of the shame-based messaging that interpreted a pile of dirty laundry as "I can never keep up" and a chaotic kitchen as "I'm a bad mother." Instead, she looked at unwashed clothes and thought, "I am alive," and at stacks of dishes and thought, "I cooked my family dinner three nights in a row." Building on this foundation of self-compassion, KC devised the powerful practical approach that has exploded in popularity through her TikTok account, @domesticblisters. The secret is to stop following perfectionist rules that don't make sense for you--like folding clothes that don't wrinkle anyway, or thinking that every room has to be clean at the same time--and to find creative solutions that accommodate your needs, pet peeves, daily rhythms, and attention span. Inside, you'll learn exactly how to customize your approach and rebuild your relationship with your home, including: -How to stop seeing care tasks as a reflection of your worth, but rather as kindnesses to your future self -How to use calming rituals to keep you from feeling overwhelmed when you look at a big mess -How to stagger tasks that are easy to procrastinate throughout the week and month -How to quickly transform a room from messy to fully functional through the "5 Things" tidying method, and other shortcuts requiring minimal energy Read this book to make home feel like a sanctuary again: where you can move with ease, where guilt, self-criticism, and endless checklists have no place, and where you always have permission to rest, even when things aren't finished.

The Story of Drama

Adaptations of two classic works through the unique lens of playwright Sarah Ruhl.

100 Essays I Don't Have Time to Write

Mole and Mouse work hard cleaning and tidying their house and spend the rest of the day outside so their house will stay clean.

How to Keep House While Drowning

A Study Guide for Sarah Ruhl's "The Clean House," excerpted from Gale's acclaimed Drama for Students. This concise study guide includes plot summary; character analysis; author biography; study questions; historical context; suggestions for further reading; and much more. For any literature project, trust Drama for Students for all of your research needs.

Chekhov's Three Sisters and Woolf's Orlando

"Mr. Kushner's glorious specialty is in giving theatrical life to internal points of view, in which our thoughts meld with a character's wayward speculations or fantasies... He makes the personal and the universal, the trivial and the cosmic come simultaneously to life in a single character's bewilderment." —Ben Brantley, *New York Times* "An extraordinary play...a deeply felt, expansively ruminative drama." —Paul Taylor, *Independent (London)* "What a feast of a play. No playwright in the English language has a greater passion for language than Kushner. And to this Kushner adds that rare quality in American theater, a yearning to go beyond domestic stories and into the great world of political struggle. Brilliant. It keeps us thinking." —Richard Christiansen, *Chicago Tribune* "This eerily timely work about Afghanistan is comparably mesmerizing and mournful, vast and intimate, emotionally generous and stylistically fabulist, wildly verbal, politically progressive and scarily well informed." —Linda Winer, *Newsday* In *Homebody/Kabul*, Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Tony Kushner, author of *Angels in America*, has turned his penetrating gaze to the arena of global politics to create this suspenseful portrait of a dangerous collision between cultures. Written before 9/11, *Homebody/Kabul* premiered in New York in December 2001 and has had highly successful productions in London, Providence, Seattle, Chicago and Los Angeles. This version incorporates all the playwright's changes and is now the definitive version of the text. Tony Kushner's plays include *Angels in America*; *Hydriotaphia, or the Death of Dr. Brown*; *The Illusion*, adapted from the play by Pierre Corneille; *Slavs!*; *A Bright Room Called Day*; *Homebody/Kabul*; *Caroline, or Change*, a musical with composer Jeanine Tesori; and *The Intelligent Homosexual's Guide to Capitalism and Socialism with a Key to the Scriptures*. He wrote the screenplays for Mike Nichols's film of *Angels in America* and for Steven Spielberg's *Munich* and *Lincoln*. His books include *The Art of Maurice Sendak: 1980 to the Present*; *Brundibar*, with illustrations by Maurice Sendak; and *Wrestling with Zion: Progressive Jewish-American Responses to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*, co-edited with Alisa Solomon. Among many honors, Kushner is the recipient of a Pulitzer Prize, two Tony Awards, three Obie Awards, two Evening Standard Awards, an Olivier Award, an Emmy Award, two Oscar nominations, and the Steinberg Distinguished Playwright Award. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters. In 2012, he was awarded a National Medal of Arts by President Barack Obama. He lives in Manhattan with his husband, Mark Harris.

A Doll's House, and Other Plays

Get your home and your heart in order in just 31 days! Sarah Mae wants to let you in on a little secret about being a good homemaker: It's not about having a clean house. She'd never claim to be a natural, organized cleaner herself—yet, like you, she wants a beautiful space to call home, a place where people feel loved and at peace. Where people can really settle in with good food, comfy pillows, and wide-open hearts. Is it possible to find a balance? To care for your heart—and your home—at the same time? Journey with Sarah Mae on this easy, practical 31-day plan to get you moving and have your house looking and feeling fresh. But even more than that, you'll gain a new vision for the home of your dreams, and how to make it a place of peace, comfort, and community. Originally published as the e-book *31 Days to Clean* and now revised and expanded in print for the first time, *Having a Martha Home the Mary Way* will inspire you to find a happier, healthier . . . cleaner way to live.

A Clean House for Mole and Mouse

Bring your home out of the mess it's in—and learn how to keep it under control! Housekeeping expert Dana K. White shares reality-based cleaning and organizing techniques that will help you learn what really works. Do you experience heart palpitations at the sound of an unexpected doorbell? Do you stare in bewilderment at your messy home, wondering how in the world it got this way again? You're not alone. But there is hope for you and your home. Managing your home isn't an all-or-nothing approach, and Dana has broken down the most critical things that you'll need to do to keep up with the housework. With

understanding, honesty, and her trademark humor, Dana shares her field-tested strategies including: Exactly where to start to tame the chaos Which habits deserve your focus and will make the most impact How to gain traction in your quest for a manageable home Practical tips you can implement and immediately to declutter huge amount of stuff with minimal emotional drama Cleaning your house is not a one-time project—it's a series of ongoing and daily decisions. Start learning Dana's reality-based cleaning and organizing techniques—and see how they really work! Praise from Readers: "This book lays out the hard truths of a clean house but in a way that doesn't make me feel silly for not having embraced them before." "Dana leads you step-by-step with the heart of a woman who has been there and struggled with the same issues you are currently struggling with. Really, this is a must read for anyone who wants to learn the secrets that all those organized types seem to know." "I felt like a failure already. Did I really need to read yet another book full of tips and tricks that would leave me feeling worse? From the first page, I was put at ease." Get ready to say goodbye to the stacks of dirty dishes crowding your kitchen counters, conquer the never-ending piles of laundry, and stop tripping over clutter on your living room floor as Dana helps you discover what works for you, for your unique personality, and in your unique home.

Mary Ellen's Clean House

A bittersweet portrait of love and loss from award-winning playwright Sarah Ruhl.

A Study Guide for Sarah Ruhl's The Clean House

This play is for all the lady cowboys of heart and mind who ride outside the city limits of convention. Mary, always late and always married, meets a lady cowboy outside the city limits of Pittsburgh who teaches her how to ride a horse. Mary's husband, Crick, buys a painting with the last of their savings. Mary and Crick have a baby, but they can't decide on the baby's name, or the baby's gender. A story of one woman's education and her search to find true love outside the box.

Homebody/Kabul

"Funny, moving, and undeniably sexy. The heady blend of smart dialogue and characters... makes it a candidate to be the Angels in America of the Bush II decade." —San Francisco Chronicle "Luminous... Kron marries vigorous political probing with pitch-perfect humor and heartache." -New Yorker "In the Wake is a serious and engrossing examination of a recent period in our history. It is a big, ambitious work." -New York Observer "Don't be surprised if Kron's resolute, maddening, emotionally distraught and very familiar characters are still rumbling around in your head like the after effects of an intense dream... An astute and challenging play that scrutinizes American history with laser-beam precision." -TimeOut New York On Thanksgiving Day, after the controversial 2000 election, political junkie Ellen gathers with family and friends in her cramped New York City apartment. Soon after, she experience an unexpected passionate encounter, and discovers that ideas about America and our own selves are not as fixed as they once seemed. Lisa Kron is the author of the book and lyrics to the musical Fun Home, and the plays Well and 2.5 Minute Ride, among others. She is a founding member of the award-winning theater group The Five Lesbian Brothers.

Having a Martha Home the Mary Way

Scenes from the plays and portraits of leading actors accompany a statistical record of the current season

How to Manage Your Home Without Losing Your Mind

For Peter Pan on Her 70th Birthday (TCG Edition)