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**BACK  
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NO DARK NIGHTS AT BACK ALLEY THEATRE  
AS "SLAB BOYS" & "THIN WALLS"  
RUN IN REP

Two shows share the Back Alley stage as the west coast premiere of SLAB BOYS by John Byrne and the world premiere of THIN WALLS by Phoef Sutton play in repertory nine performances a week starting in October.

SLAB BOYS, directed by Bill Castellino, is a coming-of-age black comedy following the struggles of young carpet-dye factory workers in 1950's Scotland. A London hit, SLAB BOYS won the 1979 Society of West End Theatres Award and ran successfully Off-Broadway starring Sean Penn, Kevin Bacon, and Val Kilmer. The Back Alley cast stars Dennis Christopher (BREAKING AWAY), Zelda Rubinstein (POLTERGEIST), Michael Covert, John H. Fields, Catherine Harper, James LeGros, Bob McCracken, and Christopher Michael Moore.

THIN WALLS, directed by actor/director Ron Leibman, is a funny and disturbing play about urban violence, high school, John Wayne, sex, neighbors, frozen vegetables, and guns. Playwright Phoef Sutton won a 1983 National Endowment for the Arts Playwrighting Fellowship for his play BURIAL CUSTOMS which will open the season for the New Playwrights Theatre in Washington, D.C. October 14, under the direction of Arthur Bartow. BURIAL CUSTOMS was also set to be included in L.A. Stage Company's second season. The cast includes John Calvin (NORMA RAE), John Gallogly, Theresa Karanik, John Lansing and Carol Potter.

SLAB BOYS and THIN WALLS are produced by Laura Zucker, designed by Chris Idoine, lighted by Chris Lamaka, with sound by Jerry Sider. Costume designer for SLAB BOYS is Diana Eden.

SLAB BOYS previews Oct. 6 - 20, regular run is Oct. 20-  
Nov. 28. Performance schedule is Mon. thru Wed. at 8:00pm,  
Sat. at 8:00pm, Sun. matinee at 3:00pm.

THIN WALLS previews Oct. 18 thru 27, regular run is  
Nov. 1 thru Dec. 9. Performance schedule is Thurs., Fri.,  
Sun. at 8:00pm, Sat. matinee at 3:00.

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