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NEWS FROM THE O'NEILL

**Local Favorites, The Rivergods, to Play O'Neill
Cabin Fever Series**

**Monday, October 19, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the Rose Barn Theater at the Eugene O'Neill
Theater Center, 305 Great Neck Road, Waterford, CT**

Come to the O'Neill to hear great music and get an eyeful of the fantastic fall foliage. From 7-10 PM on Monday, October 19 The Rivergods kick off the new season of the O'Neill's Cabin Fever Series, aimed at combating those seasonal doldrums. What a better cure than great music!

New England area favorites, The Rivergods, have a sweet albeit rockin' sound that defies any genre. Their sound is a perfect accompaniment to the beautiful fall weather. Hailed by Boston's *Soundcheck Magazine* as "simply excellent", the band features Ben Parent on vocals, guitar and harmonica; Nancy Brossard on vocals, pedal steel, guitar and accordion; Sandy Allen on lead/slide guitar, mandolin and pedal steel; and rounding out their intrinsically melodic sound, Trevor Chandonnait on drum kit.

Make your way to the Rose Barn Theater located on the O'Neill campus for this fantastic night of music and astonishingly friendly locals! \$5 suggested donation; beer and wine available for purchase,

The O'Neill is located at 305 Great Neck Road, Waterford. The Cabin Fever series will continue throughout the winter and spring with further dates to be announced! For more information, call (860) 443-5378 x230.

The Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, founded in 1964 in honor of Eugene O'Neill, America's only Nobel Prize-winning playwright and four time Pulitzer Prize winner, is America's preeminent organization dedicated to the development of new works and new voices for the American theater. It has been home to more than 1,000 new works for the stage and 2,500 emerging artists. Scores of projects developed at the O'Neill have gone on to full productions at other theaters around the world, including Broadway, off-Broadway and major regional theaters. In addition to NPC and NMTC, O'Neill programs include: National Puppetry Conference, National Cabaret & Performance Conference, National Critics Institute, and National Theater Institute, which conducts semester-long, fully accredited intensive theater training programs and Theatermakers, six-week accredited summer program. In addition, the O'Neill owns and operates as a museum the Monte Cristo Cottage, a National Historic Landmark and the childhood home of Eugene O'Neill. The O'Neill has received a Tony Award, the National Opera Award, the Jujamcyn Award for Theatre Excellence and the Arts and Business Council Encore Award. For more information, please visit the O'Neill website, www.theoneill.org, call (860) 443-5378 x213 or email theaterlives@theoneill.org.

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