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NEWS FROM THE O'NEILL

Pat Mitchell and Standard Time Play the O'Neill's Cabin Fever

**Monday, December 15, 2008 at 7:00pm in the Rose Barn Theater at
The Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, 305 Great Neck Road, Waterford, CT**

As the holiday season approaches, why not treat yourself to a relaxing night of cool jazz and sultry standards at The O'Neill? From 7 to 10pm on Monday, December 15, Pat Mitchell, backed up by Standard Time, will be singing from the great American songbook.

Since leaving New Orleans in 1985, Pat Mitchell has established herself as a fixture in the local music scene—playing venues from Capriccios in Providence to Foxwoods to the Steak Loft, where she has been a Wednesday night staple for nearly seventeen years. She approaches well-known standards with her innate southern soul to create a sound that is completely her own. A true believer in capturing the essence of a song, Mitchell believes that, “you can’t sing it ‘till you live it.” Backing up Mitchell is her original pianist, Kent Hewitt, along with Todd Baker on bass and Jim Oblon playing drums.

Come to the Rose Barn Theater at The O'Neill on December 15 for a great evening of live music, some old favorites, and good company! \$5 suggested donation; wine and beer available for purchase. The O'Neill is located at 305 Great Neck Road, Waterford.

The O'Neill's Cabin Fever series will continue early in 2009 on Monday, January 12 and Saturday, January 17, with further dates to be announced. For more information, call (860) 443-5378 x290.

The Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, founded in 1964, is the pre-eminent center for 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. The O'Neill is itself the winner of a special Tony Award; the first Jujamcyn Award for Theater Excellence in recognition of its outstanding contribution to the development of creative talent for the theater; the National Opera Award; and the Arts and Business Council Encore Award.

O'Neill programs include the National Playwrights Conference, National Music Theater Conference, Young Playwrights Festival, Puppetry Conference, Cabaret & Performance Conference, National Critics Institute, and the fully accredited National Theater Institute, which includes semester-long, fully accredited intensive theater training programs and a six-week accredited summer program, Theatremakers. In addition, the O'Neill owns and operates the Monte Cristo Cottage, a National Historic Landmark and the childhood home of Nobel Prize-winning and four-time Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright, Eugene O'Neill. For more information regarding the Center, please visit the O'Neill website at www.theoneill.org, call 860-443-5378, or email theaterlives@theoneill.org.

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