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DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE ARTS

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE.....

Tickets for "The Birthday Party," Harold Pinter's scalp-prickling comedy-drama about a man caught in nameless dreads and terrors, will go on sale beginning Monday, April 14 at the Fine Arts Ticket Office.

"The Birthday Party" is the macabre account of a celebration improvised suddenly for a reluctant guest of honor when it isn't even his birthday.

The cast includes, Robert Bacon, Chicago; Bob Dodd, Springfield; Dan Dailey, Charleston; Karen Eubanks, West Frankfort; John Malkovich, Benton; and Jayne Ball, Collinsville.

E.G. Gabbard is directing this bizarre comedy with its whiffs of secret depths of fear in all men's hearts, and its setting of a run-down boarding house dining-room is being designed by C.P. Blanchette.

Performances of "The Birthday Party" are scheduled for April 18, 19, 25 and 26 at 8:00 pm and April 27 at 2:00 pm in the Fine Arts Theatre. Adult tickets are \$2.00, youth \$1.00 and EIU students are 75¢.

The ticket office is open from 1-5 pm Monday through Friday and reservations can be made by phoning 581-3110.