Audition Notice for

"The Maccabee Queen"

to be performed as part of the Stage One English Theater Festival at Beit Avi Chai, Jerusalem

April 20 to 22 2011 (Pesach)

Auditions to be held

Monday, January 24 and Thursday January 27, 7-9 pm

At "The Mercaz" (in the Gallery) -- 7a Rechov Dor VeDorshav, German Colony, Jerusalem

Rehearsals to be held at the same location, Monday and Thursday evenings starting February 10. (Not all performers will need to attend all rehearsals.)

Performers and crew will be paid a small honorarium.

"The Maccabee Queen" (aka "Alexandra of Judea") is an epic true story of the Hasmonean Dynasty – the house of Maccabee. A woman of faith and courage, Alexandra (Shlomzion haMalka) survives political intrigues and two murderous husbands to rule as the last queen of the independent kingdom of Judea, with the help of her ally – Cleopatra III of Egypt.

The play won the Dorothy Silver Playwriting Award (for plays on Jewish themes) and is published by Baker's Plays.

"This epic is a considerable achievement. The author tells a fascinating and at times exciting, not to say complex story well... Altogether it is a story which convincingly shows us the power of ruling women in the middle eastern civilisations of the time; after viewing it we may well revise our opinions as to the impact of women on the history of antiquity...." -- Dramaturge, Theatre Royal, Plymouth, England

Crew members (assistant director, costume/lighting/sound designers, etc.) are also needed; please see contact information below if interested.

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