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One movie you should make sure to catch this summer is "HARVEST" now in its second week at the Varsity Theatre, **but it must end Thursday night. (Shows nightly at 7:30 & 9:30)** A critics' pick by The New York Times, this must-see movie already has won awards at eight film festivals.

The thoughtful, carefully scripted film treats the difficult and sensitive issues of illness, and being a caregiver.... and of course love and loss, life and death. On a personal note, after years of hospice nursing this film struck a chord!

"Harvest" is about a family where three generations come together one summer for the eventual passing of the patriarch of their family, a World War II veteran played by Academy Award Nominee Robert Loggia.

Years of resentment and betrayal within the family surface and the grandson, a college student, does his best to hold them together, while growing up in the process.

The superb ensemble cast also stars Academy Award Nominee Barbara Barrie, Tony Winner Victoria Clark, Arye Gross, and newcomer Jack Carpenter (I Love You, Beth Cooper), among others. Grammy & Tony Winner Duncan Sheik (Spring Awakening) along with composing partner, David Poe, compose the original music for the film.

"Meticulously written and exquisitely acted. The quality of the ensemble acting is astonishing. Remarks, pauses and fluid facial expressions are so minutely expressive that you often feel that you are observing real people in real time. 'Harvest' shows the truth of life as it is lived." — *The New York Times*

"★★★ 3 Stars. Terrifically acted." — *Kansas City Star*

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