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"The play's genially comic narrative of the conflicts, fantasies, and isolation of the working poor, a trio of low level employees at a struggling cinema in Western Massaschusetts, is vivid, amusing, and quirky." - Bill Marx, *The Arts Fuse* 

"An idiosyncratic original... *The Flick* slides from funny to wrenching and back again." - Don Aucoin, *The Boston Globe* 

"Funny, heartbreaking, sly and unblinking... *The Flick* may be the best argument anyone has yet made for the continued necessity and profound uniqueness of theater." —Jesse Green, *New York* 

"Hilarious and ineffably touching... Ms. Baker's peerless aptitude for exploring how people grope their way toward a sense of equanimity, even as they learn to accept disappointment, is among the things that make her such a gifted writer." —Charles Isherwood, *New York Times* 

"This hypnotic, heartbreaking micro-epic about movies and moving on is irreducibly theatrical." —David Cote, *TimeOut New York* 

"Annie Baker, one of the freshest and most talented to emerge Off Broadway in the past decade, writes with tenderness and keen insight. Her writing is a great blessing to performers. *The Flick* draws out nakedly truthful and unadorned acting. This lovingly observed play will sink deep into your consciousness."

—Charles Isherwood, *New York Times* 

"Perfection. Annie Baker is a genuine original, the real thing. She follows last season's *Uncle Vanya* version with this bold absolutely mesmerizing comic drama." —David Finkle, *Huffington Post* 

"Ms. Baker is a master miniaturist chasing big themes — love and loyalty; kindness and cruelty; fantasy and reality. As in The Aliens and Circle Mirror Transformation, the dialogue is uncannily, you-are-there authentic." —Joe Dziemianowicz, *NY Daily News* 

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