

## Entertainment

# West goes east with High Infidelity

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Robert Soroka's new play ended up at St. Leonard's Leonardo Da Vinci Centre because it was originally going to be translated from English to Italian.

When the translator pulled out of work on *High Infidelity*, Soroka's production was still booked into the 550-seat Mirella and Lino Saputo Theatre in the centre.

"It's going to open up my work to a whole new audience," he says.

Soroka says the characters in his sixth play, which he bills as a comedy/mystery/whodunit, are inspired by people who lived in the Caldwell Residences in Côte des Neiges, where his grandparents resided.

He says the characters, although older, have the same problems to deal with as anyone does.

"Seniors have the same needs and emotions as people junior to them," Soroka says.

He says the cast is basically from the west part of the city, where Soroka, who lives in St. Leonard, gained his theatre experience.

He adds that the majority of ticket buyers so far are from the west, but he feels the East Enders will buy their tickets more at the last minute.

Soroka says that while the show is only booked for three performances (Dec. 28-30), he hopes the response will merit a remount — perhaps leading to the play being taken on the road.

He praises his director, W. Steven Lecky, for what he has with the play.

"He can take a good text and turn it



Soroka: new audience.

into a wonderful visual presentation."

Soroka's other plays include *Thesis of Life*, *Lobby Talk*, and *Serving Angie*. He's working on a children's play about Christmas, which will be ready by next holiday season.

*The Leonardo Da Vinci Centre is located at 8350 Lacordaire Blvd. Tickets are \$20, and the box office phone number is 955-8370.* ■