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#### THEATER

##### **'RULES FOR GOOD MANNERS IN THE MODERN WORLD'**

Unlike anything else in town, and in this town that means something. The late French playwright Jean-Luc Lagarce wrote "Rules" as an arch, supremely codified how-to lesson in social niceties. In the drolly assured T.U.T.A. American premiere, director Zeljko Djukic uses three women, two as mimetic backup for the woman delivering the spiel. Leisurely but precise, it's a piquant comic experience; through Nov. 28 at Prop Thtr, 3502 N. Elston Ave.; \$12-\$18; 847-217-0691

— *Michael Phillips*