

# ALL IN THE TIMING

The world according to David Ives is a very odd place, and his plays constitute a virtual stress test of the English language -- and of the audience's capacity for disorientation and delight. Ives's characters plunge into black holes called "Philadelphias," where the simplest desires are hilariously thwarted. Chimps named Milton, Swift, and Kafka are locked in a room and made to re-create Hamlet. And a con man peddles courses in a...



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so even an assassin can make the flowers grow." -variations on the death of Trotsky David Ives, All in the Timing //

## Reader's Opinions

All In the Timing by David Ives is a fantastic collection of one act plays. David Ives is not only hilarious, but also creates some interesting artistic choices, like his play, Philip Glass Buys a Loaf of Bread, which uses the same simple pieces of dialogue repeatedly in different patterns throughout the entire play. Although some of...

All the plays thematically toy with various ideas and implications of time. The quality of the writing ranges from near-genius to totally gimmicky. I'm fairly certain this guy is the one responsible for the movie Groundhog Day. There are some very imaginative games he plays in here, and there is innovative staging to represent various...