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SITI Company's "Antigone"

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A new interpretation of the traumatic Sophocles play "Antigone" opens Wednesday night Off Broadway at Dance Theater Workshop. The SITI Company, headed by artistic director Anne Bogart, will perform the Greek tragedy six more times over the next four days, a stretch that promises to be emotionally, and likely physically, draining.



SITI's Anne Bogart

"First and foremost, the best theater in my experience ... is where I come out feeling like I've been to the gym for my soul," Bogart recently told WNYC managing editor Karen Frillmann for **All Things Considered**.

"Antigone" might seem like an odd choice for this OBIE Award-winning troupe — the play has single-handedly turned off generations of freshman English classes to classic theater. But that was one of the reasons Bogart elected to stage the production. She previewed the piece last month with two performances at Carleton College in Minnesota (pictured in the above gallery).

"Looking at a play that has baggage, it is loaded with stereotypes," Bogart said. "The word has a terrible negative connotation and certainly can be misused, but ... you inherit stereotypes that need to be re-awakened."

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Great Company! Good story EXCEPT it's Dance Theater Workshop not Downtown Theater Workshop <http://www.dancetheaterworkshop.org> . Such a pleasure to have SITI Company producing their season here in NYC. Don't miss it!

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Dance Theater Workshop says:

“This powerful theatrical and emotionally charged experience is shockingly relevant to our present cultural and historic moment.” - Anne Bogart, Artistic Director

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SITI Company: Antigone

SITI Company: Antigone Off Off Broadway Tickets and Showtimes

- **Opening Date:** October 28, 2009
- **Closing Date:** November 1, 2009

- **Dance Theatre Workshop**
- 219 W. 19th St.
- New York, NY 10011

- **Ticket Price:** \$25; \$20 students
- **Ticket Information:** 212-924-0077, <http://www.dtw.org/>
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Plot Description for SITI Company: Antigone

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