

'Liaisons' at Antaeus

The essentials: Pierre Choderlos de Laclos scandalized France in 1782 with his epistolary novel about sexual intrigue and betrayal among aristocrats; when Christopher Hampton adapted the story for the stage in 1985, it proved just as titillating — and topical. These days the rich and powerful still behave badly, and we still love to watch them scheme, triumph and fall onstage, especially in frilly shirts.

Why this? If any L.A. company can be expected to deliver a lush, steamy celebration of intrigue and corruption, it's Antaeus. Director Robin Larsen is a veteran with a knack for revitalizing classics. (She helmed "Uncle Vanya" at Antaeus in 2015.) In Antaeus tradition, each role is played by two actors in alternating performances.

Details: Antaeus Theatre Company, Kiki & David Gindler Performing Arts Center, 110 E. Broadway, Glendale. 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 2 and 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays; ends Dec. 10. \$30-\$34. (818) 506-1983, www.antaeus.org.