

**BENTE BØRSUM**, the extraordinary Norwegian Actress,  
at the Norwegian Church and Cultural Center  
317 East 52nd Street, New York City, 10022  
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2010 at 7PM**

The Actress will be present  
at a Reception at the  
TRYGVE LIE GALLERY,  
317 E 52nd,  
after the presentation  
of the play  
(approx 8PM)

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# MOTHER

*-a monologue based on the books, articles and letters  
of Lise Børsum as well as interviews with Bente Børsum  
Dramatized and directed by Anne-Karen Hytten*

In this monologue Bente Børsum portrays  
herself, herself as a child, her mother and a wide  
range of other characters.

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- Bente Børsum is a virtuoso in the  
shifting positions of narration

- ...living theatre, brilliant acting...  
and an intense wartime story

- an incredibly forceful show about a past that repeats itself  
every single day in every scene of war in our own time

- her empathy, understanding and sparkling presentation  
of the poignant text prove Børsum's great talent

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**My name is Bente Børsum.** I am an actress. And I have a story to tell. A story close to my heart which has lived within me as long as I can remember. I have heard it. I have read it. Dreamt it. Imagined it. My story is the story of my mother, Lise Børsum.

**Lise Børsum** was the stay-at-home wife of a doctor from one of Oslo's most upscale neighborhoods when the 2nd World War broke out. Almost by accident she stumbled into the resistance movement. In 1943 she was arrested and sent to Ravensbrück, a concentration camp in Germany. On coming home after the war, she left her former upper-class life. And Bente.

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*Actress* **Bente Børsum**  
*Dramatization and stage direction* **Anne-Karen Hytten**  
*Translated by* **Annabelle Despard**

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**Bente Børsum is one of the most versatile and well respected actresses in Norway, recognized from major roles on stage, screen and television - from lead characters in Ibsen's plays to modern drama as well as children theater and and film. She has received several prizes, among them the American Living Legacy Award in 1995.**

**Opening Night of "Mother" took place in Oslo, November 1, 2006 - to rave reviews.**