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## 'Field Guide' At Yale Rep



Rude Mechs' "Field Guide" is at Yale Rep Jan. 26 through Feb. 17. (Bret Brookshire)

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### Outstanding In Their Field

"Field Guide" is the last grand modern theatrical experiment from the unpredictable, mind-expanding Austin-based troupe Rude Mechs.

Rude Mechs has visited the Yale Repertory Theatre twice before, with the method-acting satire "The Method Gun" and the role-playing panorama "Now Now Oh Now." The troupe's new piece, "Field Guide," is a world premiere, described variously as "a surreal hike" or a "physical meditation" based on the Dostoevsky novel "The Brothers Karamazov." Rude Mechs shows can be deeply felt explorations of difficult social concepts and intellectual ideas, but they can also be very funny, and full of dazzling stage effects.

"Field Guide," which definitely involves some snow and some intense acting, happens Jan. 26 through Feb. 17 at the Yale Repertory Theatre, 1120 Chapel St., New Haven.

Performances are Tuesday through Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., with an added preview performance Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. There is no 2 p.m. performance on Jan 27.

Tickets are \$44 to \$90. 203-432-1234 and [yalerep.org](http://yalerep.org).