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The BIG LOVE and upcoming AMERICAN HORROR STORY star will essay real life instigator of the Salem Witch Trials, Abigail Williams, on stage this summer in New York.

Deadline reports that ABIGAIL/1702, from writer Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa (THE MYSTERY PLAYS, the upcoming CARRIE remake) will debut this summer as part of New York Stage and Film. Sevigny will star as the titular Williams, whose is life following the historic trials is fairly unknown.

Picking up ten years from the time Williams was entrenched in the Salem Witch Trials of 1692, the play (described as a thriller) will see Abigail, believing herself responsible for the deaths of 20 innocent people, now living in Boston under an assumed name, caring for the sick, and struggling to atone for her sins — both the ones history remembers her for and the darker ones in her heart. When she starts to fall in love with a young sailor in her care, a chilling, diabolical figure from Abigail's past comes calling…and demands her soul as recompense for her crimes, sending the woman on one final, terror-filled quest for redemption back into the dark, haunted woods of Salem."

As the stunning Stuart Gordon-helmed Edgar Allan Poe one-man show, NEVERMORE, begins a monthly residency at Trepany House in L.A., and the RE-ANIMATOR musical plans to head out on national tour, it could be an exhilarating and macabre summer at the theatre.

David Esbjornson directs ABIGAIL/1702. For more on New York Stage and Film, head to its official site
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