Old Town Presenting
Sholem Aleichem Play

Old Town Studio, 1208 Rio Grande NW, will present a Yiddish play, "Der Get," (The Divorce) by Sholem Aleichem, in three performances Saturday and next Sunday, directed by Annette Rosenthal. "Yiddish derives from a folk culture and requires nourishment at its source, as well as on the stage," Maurice Rosenthal explains.

Maurice M. Rosenthal and his wife, Annette, residents of Corrales, have formed a Yiddish speaking group which is presenting the play as a special event of the Old Town Studio. Rosenthal, from Boston, has lived in Corrales for 15 years. His wife is from Tulsa, Okla., and a resident of New Mexico for eight years. Neither of them spoke Yiddish until they were married in 1961 and taught themselves to speak, read and write the language.

"Hearing her tutor herself in the ancient accents I scarcely remembered from my grandfather, I was gripped with the beauty and simple tenderness of Yiddish," Rosenthal adds.

Albuquerque B'nai B'rith Lodge through its members sponsored this play. Six of the eight members of the cast are active members of the Lodge.