

Press Contact: Annie Mezzacappa (714) 777-3033; email: annie@chancetheater.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

THE CHANCE THEATER ANNOUNCES ITS 2007 REPERTORY SEASON!

IN A NUTSHELL:

WHAT: The Chance Theater's 2007 Repertory Season

January 25 – March 11, 2007

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change by Joe DiPietro and Jimmy Roberts

Inventing Van Gogh by Steven Dietz [Orange County Premiere]

May 3 – June 17, 2007

Biloxi Blues by Neil Simon

Frozen by Bryony Lavery

August 2 – September 16, 2007

Sunday In The Park With George by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine

Shakespeare's R & J adapted by Joe Calarco [West Coast Premiere]

November 8 – December 23, 2007

Anne of Green Gables based on the book by L.M. Montgomery

Holiday Chance Fest by members of The Chance Theater Repertory Company

WHEN: Main Stage Productions: THU, FRI, SAT 8pm; SUN 2pm

Evolving Stage Productions: SAT 4pm; SUN 6pm

HOW MUCH: \$25 General Admission; \$22 Seniors/Students

WHERE: The Chance Theater, 5552 E. La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92807

INFO/RESERVATIONS: Theater Info Line 714.777.3033

24/7 Ticket Line 800.838.3006

24/7 Tickets online www.chancetheater.com

Nurturing the soul and spirit of Orange County since 1999! As an award-winning, ensemble-based professional theater company, The Chance Theater presents OFF-BROADWAY THEATER in Orange County that is always unique and always personal. The ART is in The CHANCE. Intimately presenting personally meaningful, uniquely engaging stories that promote dialogue within our community and provide a visceral experience for theatergoers is a vital component of our mission. The following productions have been scheduled for presentation during The Chance's exciting 9th Anniversary ~ 2007 Repertory Season:

(more)

Press Release: *The Chance Theater's 2007 Season Announcement* (pg. 2 of 4)

***I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* By Joe DiPietro & Jimmy Roberts**

January 25 – March 11, 2007

Thu, Fri, Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m.

Get ready for Joe DiPietro's "love-happy" musical revue as you've never seen it before! Watch as seven actors perform over twenty characters in the tricky tango known as the modern day mating dance. We will explore sex, dating, marriage, parenthood, less sex... and other various trials and tribulations on the rocky path of romance. You'll be laughing and singing all the way home from this hip, funny, and witty escapade. "If this show were a blind date, you'd feel relieved, grateful and pleasantly surprised" – *Newsday*

***Inventing Van Gogh* by Steven Dietz [Orange County Premiere]**

February 3 – March 11, 2007

Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 6 p.m.

A haunting and hallucinatory drama about the making of art, *Inventing Van Gogh* is the story of Patrick Stone, a contemporary artist in hiding from the world, who is "persuaded" to forge van Gogh's final self-portrait. Patrick finds himself squaring off, across the years, with van Gogh himself as he attempts to create this masterpiece that never existed... or did it? Don't miss this compelling mystery about the obsession to create and the fine line that separates genius from madness. "Remarkable... a demanding, dazzling drama" – *Back Stage West*

***Biloxi Blues* By Neil Simon**

May 3 – June 17, 2007

Thu, Fri, Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m.

Neil Simon turned to his own life for inspiration and produced a trilogy of semi-autobiographical plays. We first meet Eugene, his diary, and his close-knit Brooklyn Jewish family in the widely acclaimed Brighton Beach Memoirs. In *Biloxi Blues*, we follow Eugene as he gets sent to a Mississippi boot camp during WWII. There, naive Eugene is forced to confront difficult issues and his reactions to them. It's an awakening journey where the aspiring young writer takes away more than just basic training. "A fine comedy, and another step in the process of making Simon neither so simple, nor so simplistic." -- *The New York Times*

(more)

Press Release: *The Chance Theater's 2007 Season Announcement* (pg. 3 of 4)

***Frozen* by Bryony Lavery**

May 12 – June 11, 2007

Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 6 p.m.

Ten-year-old Rhona has gone missing. Her mother, Nancy, retreats into a "frozen" state of hope. In this extraordinary play, you'll experience the riveting entwining of the lives of a murderer, the mother of one of his victims, and his psychologist. Explore with us the capacity for forgiveness, remorse, and change after an act that would seem to rule them out entirely. "A major play... Thrilling, humane, and timely." – *The London Times*

***Sunday In The Park With George* By Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine**

August 2 – September 16, 2007

Thu, Fri, Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m.

French artist George Seurat's famous painting Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte comes vibrantly to life in this remarkable musical. Through the life of Seurat and a familiar character a century later, this challenging and heartbreaking story merges past and present into basic, poignant truths about art, creation, emotion, and its impact on those we love. "A masterpiece. One of the most daring, thrilling and moving musicals you are ever likely to encounter. Irresistible." -- *Time Out*

***Shakespeare's R & J* adapted by Joe Calarco [West Coast Premiere]**

February 3 – March 11, 2007

Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 6 p.m.

Picture four teenage students, in a repressive Catholic boys' school, who suddenly break the monotonous routine of daily classes and nightly prayer through a chance happening that leads them to finding a copy of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. Get ready for an explosive and visceral journey, as their perceptions and understanding of life are completely turned around when they decide to make a game of the play by taking various parts in the classic love story. "... this vibrant, hot-blooded new adaptation pulsates with an adolescent abandon and electricity." -- *The New York Times*

(more)

Press Release: *The Chance Theater's 2007 Season Announcement* (pg. 4 of 4)

Anne of Green Gables based on the book by L.M. Montgomery

November 8 – December 23, 2007

Thu, Fri, Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m.

Delightful Anne Shirley has been charming her way into the hearts of millions for over half a century. It's the story of that red-haired, wide-eyed orphan thrust into a new world, alone and at odds with her surroundings, yet determined to live life to the fullest. With lots of questions and a "genius for getting into trouble", the spirit and imagination of unpredictable teenager Anne gives us a heartwarming story for everyone in the family. "In *Anne of Green Gables* you will find the dearest and most moving and delightful child since the immortal Alice." -- Mark Twain

Holiday Chance Fest by *The Chance Theater Repertory Company*

November 17 – December 23, 2007

Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 6 p.m.

Our "Holiday Chance Fest" will be a lively celebration of boldly theatrical choices that will excite, enlighten, and entertain you this holiday season! Expect an incredible feast with something for everyone.

If you would like to arrange an interview, would like more information, reservations or complimentary press passes, please call 714-777-3033.

###