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## **OLD GLOBE PRESENTS SPECIAL SEMINAR WITH FOUR- TIME TONY AWARD®-WINNER TERRENCE MCNALLY**

San Diego – The Old Globe is pleased to present a special seminar with four-time Tony Award-winning playwright Terrence McNally, writer of *Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life*, in the Old Globe Rehearsal Hall on **Wednesday, September 21, 2005 from 4:30pm-6:00pm**. Graduate theater students from The Old Globe/University of San Diego Master of Fine Arts program, University of California, San Diego and San Diego State University have been invited to participate in this stimulating question and answer session.

As part of the Theatre's educational outreach efforts for *Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life*, this seminar provides local theater students with the opportunity to learn valuable insight from a world renowned playwright. The Globe is pleased to be able to offer this educational opportunity with one of the many high caliber artists working regularly at the Globe, to its own MFA students, as well as students from its sister graduate programs.

In addition to *Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life*, McNally's other Globe credits include *The Full Monty* and *Up in Saratoga* (book). Most recently, he has worked on *The Stendahl Syndrome and Dedication or the Stuff of Dreams* (currently running in New York), both at Primary Stages, and *A Man of No Importance* at Lincoln Center Theatre. Mr. McNally has won four Tony Awards, most recently for *Ragtime* (book). He won the Tony in 1996 for his play *Master Class*; the 1995 Tony, Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards for Best Play as well as the New York Drama Critics' Circle Award for Best American Play for *Love! Valour! Compassion!*; and the 1993 Tony for his book of the musical *Kiss of the Spider Woman*. For San Francisco Opera he wrote the libretto for an opera based on Sister Helen Prejean's *Dead Man Walking*, with music by Jake Heggie. Mr. McNally has written a number of TV scripts, including *Andre's Mother* for which he won an Emmy. He has received two Guggenheim Fellowships, a Rockefeller Grant, a Lucille Lortel Award, and a citation from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. He has been a member of the Dramatists Guild since 1970.

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*During this 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Summer Season, the Globe is presenting The Comedy of Errors, Macbeth and The Winter's Tale playing in nightly rotation in the Lowell Davies Festival Theatre, and the world premiere production The Lady with All the Answers, in the Cassius Carter Centre Stage. The 2005/6 Season continues the celebration with two more world premieres, including Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life, an exciting musical biography of the acclaimed actress/singer/dancer, as well as a thrilling new work by Twyla Tharp set to the music of the legendary Bob Dylan. Under the leadership of Executive Director Louis G. Spisto, Artistic Director Jack O'Brien and Resident Artistic Director Jerry Patch, the Globe is at the forefront of the nation's leading performing arts organizations, setting a standard for excellence in American theatre.*