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**ArtsEmerson: The World On Stage
ANNOUNCES FREE PUBLIC TOURS OF EMERSON COLLEGE'S PARAMOUNT CENTER**

*High resolutions photo of The Paramount Center available at
<http://www.artsemerson.org> (click on "press" at the bottom of page)*

(BOSTON – July 26, 2010) ArtsEmerson: The World On Stage announces free public tours of Emerson College's Paramount Center, a cornerstone in the revitalization of downtown Boston. The facility includes the beautifully re-imagined 590-seat Paramount Theatre, the versatile, intimate Black Box Theatre, which can seat up to 150 people; the state-of-the art 170-seat Bright Family Screening Room, as well as the scene shop rehearsal studios and soundstage, which allow for the development of new work. Tours will be given on Wednesdays through the summer at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m., production permitting. People wishing to tour the facility MUST make a reservation. Reservations can be made by EMAIL ONLY, and must be received by 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding the tour date. Reservation requests must be made to tours@artsemerson.org. Reservations will not be accepted by phone. Patrons will receive details about meeting place by return email.

Patrons touring The Paramount Center will also receive information about ArtsEmerson's membership program and inaugural season of international theatre performances. The complete schedule can be viewed at www.artsemerson.org. Tickets for booking period one (performances through the end of 2010) are available to the general public today, July 26.

Tickets for booking period two (January—May 2011) are available to members beginning October 1, and on sale to the general public November 1. In addition, ArtsEmerson: The World On Stage offers specially-selected member packages, including All for Fall (six projects starting at \$199), Family Pack, Pioneer Pack

and Legends Pack. For details about membership and tickets, visit www.artsemerson.org or call 617-824-8000. Packages are designed to give audiences flexibility in designing their own season.

In addition to theatre, ArtsEmerson will present music, movement and multimedia works in the performance venues; classic and contemporary film in the Bright Family Screening Room; and workshops and discussions throughout the Paramount Center. Music, film and additional programming will be announced at a later date.

About ArtsEmerson

ArtsEmerson: The World on Stage is a new arts organization established by Emerson College, committed to presenting legendary and pioneering artists from throughout the world. ArtsEmerson programs include culturally enriching theatre, film and music, all presented in Emerson's historic and new venues in the heart of Boston's Theatre District: the Cutler Majestic Theatre, the Paramount Theatre, an intimate Black Box theatre, and the Bright Family Screening Room (the latter three all located within the Paramount Center). Much of the work of ArtsEmerson will evolve out of periodic, multi-year artist residencies at the College designed to facilitate the creation of new work and to provide opportunities for students, faculty and the community to engage in the creative process, with access to some of the most distinguished and distinct artists working today.

About Emerson College

Located on Boston Common in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson is the only four-year private college in the United States devoted to communication and the arts. With 3,453 undergraduates and 837 graduate students from across the United States and 40 countries, Emerson is teaching the next generation of leaders in communication and the arts. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 60 student organizations and performance groups, 15 NCAA teams, student publications, honor societies, television stations including the Emerson Channel, and WERS-FM, Boston's award-winning noncommercial radio station. The College is internationally known for its study and internship programs in Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., the Netherlands, Taiwan, and the Czech Republic.

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