

MEDIA RELEASE

Stuart Hughes and Joseph Ziegler reprise their Dora Award-Winning roles in *The Time of Your Life* directed by Albert Schultz

Toronto, ON – February 17, 2011 – **Albert Schultz**, Founding Artistic Director of Soulpepper Theatre Company, today announced that the company's production of *The Time of Your Life* will preview on March 16, 2011 and open on March 18, 2011 at the Young Centre for the Performing Arts.

William Saroyan's Pulitzer Prize-winning play *The Time of Your Life* returns to the Soulpepper stage with **Stuart Hughes** and **Joseph Ziegler** reprising their 2008 Dora Award-winning roles. As well, celebrated Canadian jazz pianist and vocalist **Denzal Sinclaire** will play the role of Wesley and score the show live. A nostalgic and open-eyed love letter to an America-that-might-have-been set in a late-1930s San Francisco honkytonk saloon, Saroyan mixes an intoxicating cocktail of redemption and hope.

Soulpepper Founding Artistic Director **Albert Schultz**, once again, directs Soulpepper Founding Members **Stuart Hughes** as Kit and **Joseph Ziegler** as Joe. The stellar cast includes **Douglas John Alan, Derek Boyes, Kevin Bundy, Ins Choi, Tatjana Cornij, Oliver Dennis, Lyndon Hanrahan, John Jarvis, Trish Lindström, Jeff Lillico, Alyson MacFarlane, Abena Malika, Toby Malone, Krystin Pellerin, Gregory Prest, Karen Rae, Brenda Robins, Mike Ross, Michael Simpson, Denzal Sinclaire, Jane Spidell, Brendan Wall & William Webster.**

The Time of Your Life previews March 16, 2011 and opens March 18, 2011 at the Young Centre for the Performing Arts, located at 55 Mill Street, Building 49, in the Distillery Historic District. Tickets range from \$28 - \$65 (plus HST) and are available by calling the Young Centre box office at 416.866.8666 or by visiting www.soulpepper.ca. \$22 tickets are available for 21-30 year-olds at www.stageplay.ca. StagePlay is sponsored by TD Bank Financial Group.

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Soulpepper Theatre Company is an artist-founded, classical repertory theatre company with a three-tiered mandate: to present the world's greatest stories in vital Canadian interpretations; to train a new generation of theatre artists; and to inspire and enrich youth through mentorship and access programs.