

MEDIA RELEASE

Soulpepper and the Young Centre celebrate 19 Dora nominations

Toronto, ON – June 8, 2011: **Albert Schultz**, Founding Artistic Director of Soulpepper Theatre Company and General Director of the Young Centre for the Performing Arts, is proud to recognize yesterday's announcement of the 2010-2011 Dora Mavor Moore Awards nominees. In the General Theatre Production Division, Soulpepper leads overall with nine nominations for six productions, plus one in the Musical Theatre Division for Outstanding New Musical/Opera, for *(re)Birth: E.E. Cummings in Song*, making a total of ten nominations. The Young Centre for the Performing Arts received nine nominations for two productions.

DORA NOMINATIONS FOR SOULPEPPER:

GENERAL THEATRE PRODUCTION DIVISION

Outstanding Performance by a Male in a Principal Role:

- Joseph Ziegler, *Death of a Salesman*
- Diego Matamoros, *Oleanna*

Outstanding Performance in a Featured Role/Ensemble:

- Oliver Dennis, *Jitters*
- Jane Spidell, *Doc*
- Ari Cohen, *Death of a Salesman*

Outstanding Lighting Design:

- Lorenzo Savoini, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
- Ken MacKenzie, *(re)Birth: E.E. Cummings in Song*

Outstanding Original Sound Design/Composition:

- Mike Ross, *(re)Birth: E.E. Cummings in Song*
- Mike Ross, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

MUSICAL THEATRE PRODUCTION DIVISION

Outstanding New Musical/Opera:

- The Ensemble, *(re)Birth: E.E. Cummings in Song*

DORA NOMINATIONS FOR THE YOUNG CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS:

INDEPENDENT THEATRE PRODUCTION DIVISION

paper SERIES (Cahoots Theatre Company in Association with the Young Centre for the Performing Arts)

- Outstanding Production
- Outstanding Direction: Nina Lee Aquino
- Outstanding Performance in a Featured Role/Ensemble: The Ensemble
- Outstanding Set Design: Camellia Koo
- Outstanding Costume Design: Camellia Koo
- Outstanding Lighting Design: Michelle Ramsay
- Outstanding Sound Design/Composition: Richard Lee

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DANCE DIVISION

Beside Each Other (Young Centre for the Performing Arts presents Dreamwalker Dance Company)

- Outstanding Choreography: Andrea Nann & Brendan Watt
- Outstanding Sound Design/Composition: Gord Downie

The 32nd Dora Mavor Moore Awards will be presented on June 27 at the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts in the Bluma Appel Theatre hosted by Craig Lauzon and Michaela Washburn.

Soulpepper Theatre Company is located in the Young Centre for the Performing Arts, 55 Mill Street, Building 49, in the Distillery Historic District. Tickets 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.

The Young Centre for the Performing Arts is an award winning, multi-venue performing arts facility located in the Distillery Historic District. Anchored by Soulpepper Theatre Company's year round season and George Brown College's Theatre School, the Young Centre is a home for Toronto's leading artists and arts organizations across all performance disciplines. The Young Centre presents the very best in theatre, dance, music and spoken word in a state-of-the-art setting.

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