

## MEDIA RELEASE

### Arthur Miller's Timeless Classic

### *Death of a Salesman* on stage October 16

### *Joseph Ziegler and Nancy Palk play Willy & Linda Loman*

Toronto, ON – September 20, 2010 – **Albert Schultz**, Founding Artistic Director of Soulpepper Theatre Company, today announced that the company's production of Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman* will run October 16 - November 13, 2010, at the Young Centre for the Performing Arts.

*Death of a Salesman* is one of the undisputed masterpieces of Western theatre and a cornerstone of contemporary drama. It was also the first play to win all three major prizes: the Pulitzer Prize, Tony Award and New York Critics Drama Circle Award. Miller, in this moving and masterful piece, explores the heartbreaking deceptions and empty promises of the American dream through the eyes of Willy and Linda Loman and their sons Biff and Happy.

Soulpepper's Founding Artistic Director **Albert Schultz** directs real-life couple and Soulpepper Founding Members **Joseph Ziegler** and **Nancy Palk** in the roles of Willy and Linda Loman. The stellar cast also includes **Ari Cohen** as Biff, **Tim Campbell** as Happy, Founding Members **Mike Hanrahan** as Charley and **William Webster** as Uncle Ben as well as Soulpepper Academy Artists: **Ins Choi**, **Tatjana Cornij**, **Raquel Duffy**, **Gregory Prest**, **Karen Rae**, and **Brendan Wall**.

*Death of a Salesman* previews October 16, 2010, opens October 21, and runs until November 13, 2010 at the Young Centre for the Performing Arts, located at 55 Mill Street, Building 49, in the Distillery Historic District. Tickets range from \$31.20 - \$75.33 (including 13% HST) and are available by calling the Young Centre box office at 416.866.8666 or by visiting soulpepper.ca. \$22 tickets are available for 21-30 year-olds at 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.