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**Théâtre français de Toronto presents
APOCALYPSE À KAMLOOPS (APOCALYPSE IN KAMLOOPS)
by Stephan Cloutier**

WHAT IF WE ONLY HAD 25 HOURS LEFT TO LIVE?

Toronto (December 18, 2006) – Théâtre français de Toronto is proud to present the world premiere of **Apocalypse à Kamloops**, a new play by award-winning Albertan playwright **Stephan Cloutier**. Directed by **Joël Beddows**, the play will be presented at Berkeley Street Theatre January 31 to February 11, 2007.

In this comedy by one of Canada's most promising young francophone authors, we see how the Théroix family copes with the news that the world is about to end. Bernard, the father, and Jocelyn and Mireille, his adult children, have lived in British Columbia for a generation. One day, Jocelyn who has been estranged from the family, gets an unusual visit from a muse and her assistant: they have come to earth to redress his karma and urge him to return to the family cottage in Kamloops...

With **Apocalypse à Kamloops** Stephan Cloutier crafts a wonderful comedy about a serious subject: the end of the world. Tft is delighted to give Toronto audiences francophone stories from other parts of Canada and **Apocalypse à Kamloops** is another occasion for Tft to collaborate with Vancouver's Théâtre La Seizième. Stephan Cloutier was awarded the Power Corporation Prize from the Foundation for the Advancement of French Theatre in Canada.

Featuring **Lyne Barnabé, Annie Lefebvre, Patricia Marceau, Guy Mignault, Benoît Osborne** and **Pierre Simpson**. Set Design by **Glen Charles Landry**; Lighting by **Julie Martins**; Costumes by **Angela Haché**; Sound Design by **Antoine Bédard**; videos by **Phil Rose**; Stage Management: **Dominic Manca**; Production Management: **Céline Paquet**

A coproduction of Théâtre français de Toronto, Théâtre La Seizième in Vancouver and Théâtre la Catapulte in Ottawa. This production is sponsored by TD Bank Financial Group and received financial support from the Imperial Tobacco Canada Foundation.

The following performances will be presented with English SURTITLES™: February 1, 7 and 9 at 8 p.m. and February 10 at 3:30 p.m.

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By Stephan Cloutier | Directed by Joël Beddows

Théâtre français de Toronto

Berkeley Street Theatre Upstairs, 26 Berkeley Street Toronto

Opening: Friday, February 2 at 8:00 PM / **Previews:** January 31 and February 1 at 8:00 PM

Performances: Wednesday to Saturday at 8:00 PM

Saturday Matinées: Feb 3 & 10 @ 3:30 PM / **Sunday Matinées:** Feb 4 & 11 @ 2:30 PM

Tickets: \$28 to \$46/ Students, seniors and groups: \$23 to \$31

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About Tft: founded in 1967, Tft is one of the most important francophone theatre companies in Canada outside of Quebec. While appealing to all lovers of French-language theatre, Tft contributes to the cultural and educational development of Toronto's francophone community. Since its creation, Tft has presented over 200 productions. It sells 10,000 tickets every season and has more than 900 subscribers.