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**Stage veteran Albert Millaire stars in Tft's 05-06 season opener  
*Visites à Monsieur Green*, a new translation by Michel Tremblay**

***"A feel-good winner!" New York Newsday***

**Toronto, September 7, 2005** –Théâtre français de Toronto is proud to launch its 38<sup>th</sup> season with ***Visites à monsieur Green (Visiting Mr. Green)***, a new translation by its most popular author, Michel Tremblay starring Canadian stage veteran **Albert Millaire**. ***Visites à Monsieur Green (Visiting Mr. Green)***, by American playwright Jeff Baron, will be presented at Berkeley Street Theatre, October 19 through 30, 2005.

This story of an accidental encounter between an aggressive young businessman and a recluse octogenarian is above all a play about tolerance. It takes place in New York. Ross, a young executive with American Express, almost runs over Mr Green, an 86 year-old man. Ross is sentenced to weekly visits for six months, a time during which he will learn to befriend the old man who had lost interest in life. At first, contact between the two men is tense but, in time, a touching story of friendship and compassion evolves.

After its year-long run in New York in 1997, Jeff Baron's first play has been performed in 21 countries, in 14 languages, winning many awards, including Best Play awards in Israel, Greece and Germany.

This production will provide Toronto audiences with a unique occasion to see one of Québec's greatest actors, Albert Millaire, who will be celebrating his jubilee, along with Louis-Olivier Mauffette. Long associated with the prestigious Théâtre du Nouveau-Monde in Montréal, Albert Millaire has had a distinguished 50 year career as an actor and director, on stage – including Stratford - and television.

***Visites à Monsieur Green (Visiting Mr. Green)*** is directed by Jacques Rossi, performed by Albert Millaire and Louis-Olivier Mauffette. Sets by Paul Bussièrès, costume design by Denis Denoncourt, lighting design by Christian Fontaine, music by Stéphane Girouard, directed by Jean-Bernard Hébert. A Productions Jean-Bernard Hébert production.

Following the huge success of subtitled performances this past season, TFT is thrilled to offer more subtitled performances beginning with ***Visites à Monsieur Green (Visiting Mr. Green)*** which will have three performances with English subtitles: October 20, 26 and 28, thanks to the support of Sun Life Financial.

***Visites à Monsieur Green (Visiting Mr. Green)* by Jeff Baron**  
**Translation by Michel Tremblay**  
**October 19 to 30, 2005**

**Théâtre français de Toronto**

Berkeley Street Theatre, 26, Berkeley Street, "Upstairs"

**Opening: Friday, October 21 @ 8:00 PM**

**Previews : October 19 and 20 @ 8:00 PM**

**Subtitles : October 20, 26 and 28 @ 8:00 PM**

**Evening shows: Wednesday to Saturday @ 8:00 PM**

**Saturday matinée: October 22 & 29 @ 3:30 PM / Sunday matinée: October 23 & 30 @ 2:30 PM**

**Tickets: \$28 to \$36 / Students, seniors and groups: \$23 to \$31**

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