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**Théâtre français de Toronto is 40 years :
COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US!**

Toronto, October 22, 2007 – TfT's 40th anniversary will be celebrated at a prestigious gala evening that will mark this symbolic year, on Thursday, November 15, 2007 at Casa Loma, 1 Austin Terrace, Toronto under the patronage of the Governor General, Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean.

The evening is intended for both linguistic communities and will gather francophones and anglophones together under the same roof, united together by their shared taste for the French language, culture, and theatre. We are counting on the presence of more than 300 people to mark this event, which includes cocktails, dinner and entertainment. Guy Mignault will host the evening and songs will be performed by France Gauthier, Robert Godin and Lyne Tremblay who have collaborated with TfT for decades.

This will be a unifying event and historic moment for the Canadian French-speaking world and the Toronto theatre world. The gala will include a silent auction with which we hope, with help from sponsors such as Air France and Via Rail, to offer trips to France and across Canada. These prizes will certainly be the highlights of the auction and will allow us to raise substantial funds.

One of Canada's largest French-language theatres outside Québec, TfT is one of the oldest theatre companies in Toronto as well as one of the most innovative, through such developments in recent years as our exciting youth outreach program, and the implementation of English surtitles at selected performances. Over the past four years TfT has experienced significant growth and this anniversary will be a great opportunity to celebrate TfT's recent achievements.

Tickets are at \$125 and tables for 10 people are available for sale. TfT wishes to thank the Gala sponsor, BMO Financial Group, as well as Via Rail, the Franco-Ontarian Foundation and Air France for their support.

Novembre 15, 2007

Théâtre français de Toronto's Gala | Casa Loma, 1 Austin Terrace

Tickets : 125 \$

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About TfT: Founded in 1967, TfT is one of the most important francophone theatre companies in Canada and the only one in Southern Ontario offering a full season of diverse productions for audiences of all ages. While appealing to all lovers of French-language theatre, TfT contributes to the cultural and educational development of Toronto's francophone community. It sells 11,500 tickets annually and has about 950 subscribers. Since April 2005, TfT has offered performances with English surtitles™, which provide a wider choice of entertainment for Ontarians and enable TfT patrons to bring their friends and family who do not necessarily speak French.