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Three new plays highlight the 2009 Wicked Lit Play Reading Series

Once again Wicked Lit will encompass venues in Ventura, Los Angeles and Orange Counties

GLENDALE, CA (September 24, 2009) – The Nom de Guerre Theatre Guild (Paul Millet, Artistic Director) announced the dates and venues for the *2009 Wicked Literature Play Reading Series*. Highlights for the 2009 Series include two featured readings at the West Hollywood Book Fair on October 4 and a return engagement at Pasadena Playhouse during the Pasadena ArtWalk on October 10. In addition, the Reading Series will include multiple readings at Clark Magnet High School in La Crescenta.

“Because all of the work is based on classic literature, *Wicked Lit* is a natural fit for schools and educators.” said Paul Millet, one of the creators of *Wicked Lit*. “We hope that this will be the beginning of our relationship with the schools in our region.”

“Wicked Lit gives students the opportunity to view readings of short stories in a format that provides them with an entirely new perspective.” said Mary Mardirosian, Clark Magnet ELD Dept. Chair.

The 2009 Reading Series will be produced and directed by Naisa Wong.

Reservations are not required and there is no cost to attend the readings. For information, please contact Paul Millet at paul@wickedlit.org.

The play included for the 2009 *Wicked Lit Play Reading Series* include:

The Fall of the House of Usher by Edgar Allen Poe, adapted by Paul Millet.

Pigeons from Hell by Robert E. Howard, adapted by Jeff G. Rack.

A Ghost Story by Mark Twain, adapted by Jonathan Josephson.

In addition to the Play Reading Series, the first full production of *Wicked Lit* will open at Greystone Mansion in Beverly Hills on October 27 as a co-production between Nom de

Guerre and Theatre 40 in association with the City of Beverly Hills Recreation and Parks Division. Tickets to the full production cost \$45 and are very limited. To make reservations to the full production, please call 818-242-7910. For complete information on both the full production and the Play Reading Series, go to www.wickedlit.org.

The *2009 Wicked Lit Play Reading Series* includes the following locations and times:

Pasadena Public Library Main Branch ~ Thursday, October 1st at 7pm

285 E Walnut Street
Pasadena, CA 91101-1598

Julian Dixon Library ~ Saturday, October 3rd at 2pm

4975 Overland Ave.
Culver City, CA 90230-4299

**The 8th Annual West Hollywood Book Fair ~ Sunday, October 4th
(10am-6pm – reading times: 12:55 & 3pm)**

West Hollywood Park
647 N. San Vicente Blvd.
West Hollywood, CA 90069

**Pasadena Playhouse (as part of ArtWalk) ~ Saturday, October 10th
(11am-5pm ~ Six performances total)**

39 S. El Molino Ave.
Pasadena, CA 9110

The Chance Theater ~ Tuesday, October 13th at 8pm

5552 E La Palma Ave
Anaheim, CA 92807

**Barnes & Noble Booksellers at The Americana at Brand*
Saturday, October 17th (6pm-8pm ~ Three performances total)**

210 Americana Way
Glendale, CA 91210

*Barnes & Noble will be sponsoring a book fair to support the full production of *Wicked Lit* all day on October 17. For all purchases, simply mention *Wicked Lit* at the register and a percentage of all sales will be donated back to the full production at Greystone Mansion.

The Mystery & Imagination Bookstore ~ Saturday, October 24th at 7pm

238 N. Brand Blvd

Glendale, CA 91203

Clark Magnet High School ~ Wednesday, October 28th

(Two Readings ~ 8:10am & 10:00am)

4747 New York Ave

La Crescenta, Ca. 91214

Clark Magnet High School ~ Thursday, October 29th

(Two Readings ~ 8:10am & 1:40pm)

4747 New York Ave

La Crescenta, Ca. 91214

Crowell Library ~ Thursday, October 29th at 7pm

1890 Huntington Dr.

San Marino, CA 91108

High Street Arts Center ~ Saturday, October 31st at 2pm

45 E. High Street

Moorpark CA 93021

Pasadena Playhouse ~ Saturday, October 31st at 7pm

39 S. El Molino Ave.

Pasadena, CA 9110

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