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THEATRE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP
ANNOUNCES 2023 GALA:
OUR STORIES TO HONOR
SAMUEL L. JACKSON AND LATANYA RICHARDSON JACKSON

GALA TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023

New York, NY (November 14, 2022) – Theatre Communications Group (TCG), the national organization for theatre, is pleased to announce that the 2023 TCG Gala: Our Stories will be held on Monday, January 9, 2023, at The Edison Ballroom in New York City. The Gala will honor Samuel L. Jackson and LaTanya Richardson Jackson and will include festive performances, inspiring speakers, and a celebratory dinner with theater leaders, celebrities, and enthusiasts. Co-Chairs are the Broadway producer Brian Anthony Moreland and theatre publicist and past honoree Rick Miramontez.

The Gala will also celebrate the launch of TCG’s One Million Books Campaign, which will make one million TCG plays available to schools, libraries, community centers, independent bookstores, and more. TCG Books is the largest independent trade publisher of dramatic literature in North America, with 19 winners of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama on its book list. The book program commits to the life-long career of its playwrights, keeping all of their plays in print. TCG Books’ authors include: Annie Baker, Nilo Cruz, Jackie Sibbiles Drury, Larissa FastHorse, Athol Fugard, Quiara Alegría Hudes, David Henry Hwang, Branden Jacobs-Jenkins, Tony Kushner, Young Jean Lee, Lynn Nottage, Suzan-Lori Parks, Sarah Ruhl, Heidi Schreck, Stephen Sondheim, Paula Vogel, and August Wilson. TCG Books and the One Million Books Campaign are supported by The Mellon Foundation.

“We’re thrilled to honor the iconic talents of philanthropists and humanitarians Samuel and LaTanya Richardson Jackson during their Broadway run of August Wilson’s Pulitizer Prize-winning play,” said Teresa Eyring, executive director and CEO, TCG. “TCG had a long and deep relationship with Mr. Wilson. His transformational speech, The Ground on Which I Stand, was first delivered at the 1996 TCG National Conference, and in 2007, TCG Books was honored to publish his American Century Cycle in a gorgeous, hard-cover boxed set. The Gala will also be an opportunity to lift up TCG Books’ One Million Books Campaign, ensuring readers across the country will have access to not only Wilson’s plays, but TCG Books extensive library of titles.”

A 6:00pm cocktail reception will be followed by a 7:00pm seated dinner, with entertainment beginning at 7:20pm. The Gala will also celebrate TCG’s One Million...
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Additional programming will be announced soon. Please email Corinna Schulenburg for press reservations. Purchase tickets here. For additional information, please visit Our Stories Gala: 2023 - Theatre Communications Group (tcg.org)

TCG’s annual Our Stories Gala supports TCG’s work in leading for a just and thriving theatre ecology. The 2021 Gala, which was held virtually, honored Ricardo Khan and the Performing Arts Alliance. The 2020 Gala honored the National Black Theatre Festival of Winston-Salem and David Henry Hwang. The 2019 Gala honored arts philanthropist and Chairman Emerita, Ingram Industries Inc. Martha R. Ingram; Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Tony Kushner; and Broadway press agent and President of DKC/O&M Rick Miramontez. Past honorees at the TCG annual gala—now in its tenth year—include actor Brian Dennehy, director Kenny Leon, playwright Lynn Nottage, actress and playwright Danai Gurira, theatrical producers Stephen C. Byrd and Alia Jones-Harvey, set designer Ming Cho Lee, lighting designer Jules Fisher, the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, The Shubert Foundation, The Velicek Foundation, producers Ruth and Stephen Hendel, Judith O. Rubin, and the creators of War Paint (Scott Frankel, Michael Greif, Michael Korie, and Doug Wright).

Theatre Communications Group (TCG), the national organization for theatre, leads for a just and thriving theatre ecology. Since its founding in 1961, TCG’s constituency has grown from a handful of groundbreaking theatres to over 700 Member Theatres and affiliate organizations and over 7,000 Individual Members. Through its programs and services, TCG reaches over one million students, audience members, and theatre professionals each year. TCG offers networking and knowledge-building opportunities through research, communications, and events, including the annual TCG National Conference, one of the largest nationwide gatherings of theatre people; awards grants and scholarships to theatre companies and individual artists; advocates on the federal level; and through the Global Theater Initiative, TCG’s partnership with the Laboratory for Global Performance and Politics, serves as the U.S. Center of the International Theatre Institute. TCG is North America’s largest independent trade publisher of dramatic literature, with 19 Pulitzer Prizes for Drama on the TCG booklist. It also publishes the award-winning American Theatre magazine and ARTSEARCH®, the essential source for a career in the arts. TCG believes its vision of “a better world for theatre, and a better world because of theatre” can be achieved through individual and collective action, adaptive and responsive leadership, and equitable representation in all areas of practice. TCG is led by executive director and CEO Teresa Eyring. www.tcg.org.

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