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Jackie Richardson Adds Soul to the STARS Gala

Toronto, October 13, 2009 - Mixed Company Theatre is delighted to announce that Jackie Richardson will be performing at the **1st Annual STARS Awards Gala**, Mixed Company Theatre's 25th Anniversary celebration.

One of Canada's foremost singers of gospel, blues and jazz, Richardson has a powerful and supple voice and a warm, vibrant stage presence. The music of Jackie Richardson is an experience of soul, a profoundly personal synthesis of the remarkable gospel, blues and jazz women she has embodied on stage and screen. A veteran of the stage and the small and large screens, Jackie Richardson forged a very successful acting career with roles in "No! No! Nanette Anything Goes"; "Hello Dolly!" and "Raisin in the Sun". She became well known for her part in "Ain't Misbehaving", which earned her a Dora Award.

Richardson has worked with Mixed Company Artistic Director, Simon Malbogot, and Mixed Company is excited to partner with her for the **1st Annual STARS Awards Gala**.

Enhanced by artistic performances, a silent auction, award ceremony and cocktail reception, celebrating Mixed Company Theatre's 25 years of positive change will be an evening to remember.

WHERE: SHAMBA foundation, 48 Yonge Street, Suite 1200, Toronto, ON

WHEN: Wednesday, November 25, 2009 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

ADDITIONAL DETAILS: Tickets are \$75 per person or \$200 for 3 people and can be purchased by calling 416 515 8080 or visiting www.mixedcompanytheatre.com.



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