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## ***TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Partners with Mixed Company to Deliver a Green Message to GTA Students***

**Toronto, March 22, 2010** - Mixed Company Theatre and Up Your Nose and In Your Toes (U.N.I.T. Productions) are thrilled to partner with TD Friends of the Environment Foundation to bring Morro and Jasp... GO GREEN! to schools across the Greater Toronto Area.

With the support of TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, students in grades 1 to 6 can join in on the fun of positive change as Morro and Jasp... GO GREEN! at select GTA area schools from April 12 through 30. Young students will delight as loveable (and laughable) clowns Morro and Jasp turn assumptions about being green on their heads, teaching that every little bit of positive effort makes a difference. Together, they make the small - but not always easy - changes in their daily lives, and learn that being environmentally friendly is not only important, but fun!

"TD Friends of the Environment Foundation is pleased to assist Mixed Company Theatre in its efforts to engage and educate young Torontonians on the environment" says Mary Desjardins, Executive Director, TD FEF. "Since 1990, TD FEF has provided more than \$3 million in funding to nearly 2,000 grassroots environmental and wildlife projects in the GTA, and assisting young Canadians in understanding and participating in Environmental activities is an important area of focus for us."

Mixed Company Theatre's interactive, entertaining, and age-appropriate presentations help students understand issues from the perspective of others. To find out more about bringing Morro and Jasp...GO GREEN! to your school this Spring, visit [www.mixedcompanytheatre.com](http://www.mixedcompanytheatre.com). For more information about TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, visit [www.tdfef.com](http://www.tdfef.com).

### **About Mixed Company Theatre and U.N.I.T. Productions:**

Mixed Company Theatre and UNIT - Up your Nose and In your Toes are two not-for-profit theatre companies whose interactive theatre catalyzes positive social change. Founded in 1983, Mixed Company uses Forum Theatre to educate, engage and empower audiences in schools, communities and workplaces. More than 100 Forum Theatre productions have been developed for people of all ages and backgrounds, spotlighting issues of diversity, family relationships, peer pressure, sexual and mental health, racism, homelessness, leadership, healthy living, and violence. UNIT is dedicated to breaking social norms and healing the world one smile at a time. Since 2005, the company has trained extensively in Pachinko-based clown work and star characters, Morro and Jasp, have appeared in over 100 performances, recently receiving the 2009 "Best of the Fringe" Award. For information on Mixed Company's projects, or to see Forum Theatre in action, visit [www.mixedcompanytheatre.com](http://www.mixedcompanytheatre.com).

### **About TD Friends of the Environment Foundation:**

Since 1990, TD FEF has provided more than \$53 million in funding to over 19,000 grassroots environment and wildlife projects across Canada. In 2009, TD FEF provided more than \$4.1 million in support of 899 projects. Thousands of donors give to TD FEF on a monthly basis and TD Bank Financial Group contributes in excess of \$1 million annually. TD also covers the management costs of running TD FEF, which guarantees 100 per cent of every dollar donated goes directly to funding environment and wildlife projects in the community where the donation was made. For more information on how to donate and get involved in your community, visit [www.tdfef.com](http://www.tdfef.com).

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as a tool to educate, engage and empower for positive change.*



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