

ONCE AGAIN, STORIES ON STAGE RAISES THE BAR FOR LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT

—In “*The Sky’s the Limit*,” actors take the audience on a not-to-be missed emotional ride —

DENVER, Oct. 5, 2008 – A single actor, an almost bare stage, a music stand and a sheaf of papers. That’s all it takes for Stories On Stage to transport an audience to another world.

On Sun., Oct. 19, Stories On Stage tackles one of its most audacious programs to date when, in “*The Sky’s the Limit*,” acclaimed actors Ping Wu, Malachy McCourt, John Hutton and Candy Brown read stories that examine the joy, sorrow, humor and heartache that define human life. (Detailed actor bios are available online at www.storiesonstage.org)

These are heady topics given the financial and political turmoil currently underway — and as with all Stories On Stage programs, the actors rely on their voices rather than on elaborate sets or costumes to build a bridge between listeners and writers’ imaginations.

“Wedding the right actor with the right story is always the first priority,” says Stories On Stage artistic director Norma Moore.

For “*The Sky’s the Limit*,” she created a mix that will have the audience laughing (*The Secret Life of Walter Mitty* by James Thurber read by Malachy McCourt and *Some of Us Have Been Threatening Our Friend Colby* by Donald Barthleme read by John Hutton), pondering (*The Veldt* by Ray Bradbury read by Candy Brown) and even moved to tears (*The House Behind a Weeping Cherry* by Ha Jin read by Ping Wu.) What’s more, local musicians Melissa James and Nick Busheff will return to Stories On Stage to perform “*Over the Rainbow*,” one of the most popular and beloved songs ever written.

“Times are so stressful, confusing and scary right now that we all would like to go “*Over the Rainbow*” for an afternoon,” Moore says. “And that’s the point of this show: To provide sky-high escape and entertainment at an affordable price.”

With single tickets priced at just \$22, per person tickets for groups of 10 or more set at \$18 and pay what you want “LoDough” tickets available upon request, Stories On Stage remains one of Denver’s best entertainment bargains. For the price of large pizza or movie tickets for two, Stories On Stage treats both book and theater lovers to a fantastic journey of the imagination.

“We’re proud to be a member of the metro Denver community. We’re committed to keeping our prices low and our standards high so everyone in the area can enjoy a top-quality, live performance,” Moore says.

What: Stories On Stage presents “*The Sky’s the Limit*”

Featuring *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty* read by Malachy McCourt; *Some of Us Have Been Threatening Our Friend Colby* read by John Hutton; *The Veldt* read by Candy Brown and *The House Behind a Weeping Cherry* read by Ping Wu

When: Sun., Oct. 19, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Where: The Stage Theatre, Denver Performing Arts Complex

Tickets: \$22 for single tickets, \$18 per ticket for groups of 10+ or more, pay what you want “LoDough” tickets upon request. Order online at www.storiesonstage.org or by phone at 303-494-0523