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**BERKELEY REP RENTS ITS THEATRES & FACILITIES TO LOCAL GROUPS****Local arts agencies and nonprofits to benefit**

JULY 1, 2009 – Today Berkeley Repertory Theatre announced that, during its 2009/10 Season, it will make up to **320 hours available for public rental** of its facilities. Rentals are a key way that Berkeley Rep engages with the community and, as part of that service, priority is given to Berkeley-based arts organizations and other not-for-profit agencies that benefit the local community. These rental hours are provided as part of the agreement governing the Theatre's relationship with the City of Berkeley.

During the theatre season that begins September 1, 2009 and runs through August 31, 2010, the following spaces will be available for rental on the specified dates:

- **THRUST STAGE** (2025 Addison Street)  
Capacity: 401  
Availability in 2009: November 9  
Availability in 2010: March 8 and April 19
- **RODA THEATRE** (2015 Addison Street)  
Capacity: 587  
Availability in 2009: November 2 and December 21  
Availability in 2010: February 1 and May 24
- **REHEARSAL HALL A** (2081 Center Street)  
Room Dimensions: 42' x 37'  
Availability in 2009: November 2 - 8 and December 14 - 19  
Availability in 2010: May 25 - 30
- **REHEARSAL HALL B** (2081 Center Street)  
Room Dimensions: 20' x 19'  
Availability in 2009: November 2 - 4 and December 8 - 9  
Availability in 2010: May 24 - June 2

**Berkeley-based organizations and businesses will get first priority** in the following order: not-for-profit arts organizations, for-profit arts organizations, other not-for-profit organizations, educational or governmental entities, and non-arts-related, for-profit businesses. These dates will be held exclusively for public rentals until September 15, 2009; other dates for rental of these spaces may become available during the season.

**For more information about rental rates, policies, and bookings**, please contact Amanda Williams O'Steen, Berkeley Rep's associate production manager, at 510.647.2925 or [awilliams@berkeleyrep.org](mailto:awilliams@berkeleyrep.org).

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