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**THEATRE**  
*New Voices – New Work*  
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**At the Burstein Family Stage**

**Ricky J. Martinez, Artistic Director**    **Eileen Suarez, Managing Director**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

***THE MISSION ON STAGE AT NEW THEATRE***

Within the confines of a penitentiary a trusting Christian priest is drawn closer to the heart of darkness of a prisoner; the results are a double tragedy. *The Mission* by Jules Tasca is a tempestuous two-character play where secrets and gender can drive the human condition to make life altering decisions.

New Theatre Artistic Director, Ricky J. Martinez will direct the cast which includes Ricky Waugh, who performed in New Theatre's Summer Shakespeare & Friends Festival as part of the apprentice program and making his New Theatre debut, William Gressman. In what will be a unique and not to be missed theatrical feat, the actors will exchange roles every other night displaying their talent and versatility. Patrons will be able to see the show a second time for only \$ 10.

Returning to New Theatre will be Production Stage Manager Betsy Paull-Rick, Lighting Designer Micheal Foster, and the scenic construction crew, Geordan Gottlieb & TLC Events Group. Scenic Designer Nicole Quintana will be making her New Theatre debut.

**April 3 – May 4, 2008**  
**(Press Opening- Saturday, April 5)**

Performances Thursday through Saturdays at 8 pm  
Sunday at 1 pm. Additional Sunday 5:30 pm on April 13, 20 and 27.

### **Ticket information:**

Preview- Thursday, April 3 at 8 pm: \$ 20  
Pre-Opening Night Celebration- Friday, April 4: \$ 55  
(includes pre-show reception at 7 pm catered by Catering by Lovables, followed by the performance at 8 pm.)

Thursday at 8 pm & Sunday at 5:30 pm: \$35  
Friday & Saturday at 8 pm, Sunday at 1 pm: \$40  
Student Rush (under 25 with ID): \$15

See the show a second time for only \$ 10.

### **Location:**

New Theatre is located in Coral Gables, just one block from Village of Merrick Park at  
4120 Laguna Street, Coral Gables, Florida 33146

### **Contact:**

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### **About the Playwright**

Through I.U.P **Jules Tasca** has taught playwriting at Oxford University in England and he has performed with a commedia dell'arte group in central Italy. He is the author of 120 (16 full-length, 104 one-act) published plays that have been produced nationally and worldwide. He has won national and international playwriting contests, including the prestigious Barrymore Award for his play, *The Balkan Women*. His latest published plays are: *The Jew of Bologna* and *Live Drawing: A Portrait of the Mona Lisa*. Currently, he is working on a play based on the life of John Brown and the Harper's Ferry incident that is believed to have triggered the Civil War. Jules is a member of the Dramatist's Guild.

### **About New Theatre**

**Ricky J. Martinez, Artistic Director**  
**Eileen Suarez, Managing Director**

New Theatre was founded in 1986 and is dedicated to the development and production of new works. The theatre has brought the national premieres of more than 30 plays by early- and mid-career American playwrights to South Florida, including New Theatre-commissioned *Anna in the Tropics*, winner of a Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

New Theatre receives major season support from the City of Coral Gables, the Miami Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, the Affairs Council, the Mayor, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and The Florida State Department's Division of Cultural Affairs of Florida. Additional project support is received from Florida Power and Light, The Melvin C. and Nancy Morgenstern and The Manny & Ruthy Cohen Foundation, The Roblee Foundation, The Audrey Love Charitable Trust Foundation, The Burstein Family Foundation, The William J. and Tina Rosenberg Foundation, The Max Minsky & Florence Goldstein Foundation, The Sitkin Family Foundation, BankAtlantic Foundation, American Express Foundation and The Blair H. & Lee D. Temkin Foundation.

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