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KALIDAS PRESENTS
Broken Images

Girish Karnad's play has its New York premiere in the Nextstage

September 20, 2010. Rochester, N.Y. – Geva Theatre Center is delighted to welcome **Kalidas** for their first visit to the Nextstage with *Broken Images*.

A short story writer becomes a literary phenomenon overnight when she decides to write a novel in English. The novel explores the complex relationship between the writer and her sister.

Girish Karnad is one of India's most celebrated and decorated playwrights. His plays are written in his adopted tongue, Kannada, and translated into English and all major Indian languages. His first play, *Yayati* (1961) was an instant success. *Tughlaq* (1964) is perhaps his best-known work and established him firmly as one of the most promising playwrights in India. He is also a well-known film actor and director with over 65 films to his credit.

Kalidas is Rochester's Indo-American Community Theatre Group. Founded in 2006, their first production was *Rumors*, a comedy by Neil Simon.

Broken Images stars local actress **Janani Parthasarathi** as writer Manjula Nayak. Ms. Parthasarathi has appeared in previous Kalidas productions of *Rumors*, *What's in a Name?* and *The Cemetery Club*.

Broken Images is directed by **Baal Bhagat** who has been a core member of Kalidas since its inception. He has directed four plays for the company: *What's in a Name?*, and the Ray Cooney farces *Run for Your Wife*, *Oh! My Giddy Aunt* and *It Runs in the Family*.

**For further information, photographs or to arrange interviews, please contact:
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PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:

Thursday, October 7 @ 7:00pm
Friday, October 8 @ 7:00pm
Saturday, October 9 @ 7:00pm
Sunday, October 10 @ 2:30pm
Thursday, October 14 @ 7:00pm
Friday, October 15 @ 7:00pm
Saturday, October 16 @ 7:00pm
Sunday, October 17 @ 2:30pm

TICKET PRICES: **\$20 for Adults, \$15 for Students and Seniors**

RESERVATIONS: **232-Geva or via the website: www.gevatheatre.org**

LOCATION: **Geva Theatre Center, 75 Woodbury Blvd, Rochester, NY 14607**

GEVA THEATRE CENTER

Geva Theatre Center is Rochester's leading professional theatre and the most attended regional theatre in New York State. Founded in 1972, Geva attracts over 170,000 patrons annually, including more than 16,000 students. The 552-seat Elaine P. Wilson Mainstage offers a wide variety of shows, from musicals to American and world classics.

The 180-seat Ron & Donna Fielding Nextstage is home to Geva's own series of cutting-edge drama, comedy and musical theatre; Geva Comedy Improv; Geva's New Play Reading Series and the Hornet's Nest - an innovative play-reading series facilitating community-wide discussion on controversial topics. The Nextstage also hosts visiting companies of both local and international renown.

Geva Theatre Center offers a wide variety of educational, outreach and literary programs, nurturing audiences and artists alike. Since 1995 the organization has been led by Artistic Director Mark Cuddy.

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