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**TRIAD'S ONLY OSCAR NIGHT® AMERICA PARTY
BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY THEATRE OF GREENSBORO
FOR FOURTH STRAIGHT YEAR**

CTG invites movie-lovers to enjoy all the glamour of the Academy Awards® at the O. Henry Hotel on February 26, 2012

Greensboro, N.C., January 18, 2012 – Hollywood – with all its glamour and excitement – will be coming to the Triad on Oscar Night! Movie-lovers across the Triad can experience all the thrills and surprises of the 84th Academy Awards® on Sunday, February 26, 2012, at the Triad's only official Oscar Night America party.

Benefiting the Community Theatre of Greensboro (CTG), the Triad's Oscar Night celebration will be held at the O. Henry Hotel in Greensboro beginning at 6 pm. Dinner will be provided by the award-winning Green Valley Grill. Tickets for the black-tie gala are \$100/person, \$175/couple, or \$650/table of eight, and may be purchased by calling the CTG office at (336) 333-7470, x206.

CTG, the O. Henry Hotel, and ABC-45 are sponsoring Oscar Night.

The Triad event is one of only 49 official parties sanctioned by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences that will be held around the country on Oscar Night.

The Triad audience will watch the Academy Awards telecast live on large screens, courtesy of ABC-45, the Triad affiliate of the ABC Television Network, which broadcasts the Academy Awards presentation. This is the 19th year that the Academy and ABC have cooperated with local charities to support official Oscar Night viewing parties across the country. This is the fourth year that the Triad's Oscar Night party has benefited CTG.

"Oscar Night is an event meant to be shared with others. This network of fundraising parties across the nation is a natural extension of that experience, and also represents the year-round philanthropic work the Academy does," said Academy CEO Dawn Hudson. "This February we are thrilled to be able to celebrate the movies with fans nationwide while supporting charities around the country."

CTG's Oscar Night® America Party
January 18, 2012

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Last year, Oscar Night parties raised more than \$3.5 million in 51 cities. All money raised stays in the local community.

The Academy will provide Triad party guests with the same official program that is distributed to guests at the Oscar® presentation at the Kodak Theatre at Hollywood & Highland Center® in Hollywood.

Triad Oscar Night guests will feel like movie stars themselves as they:

- Walk the red carpet;
- Are treated like celebrities from the moment they enter the elegant O. Henry lobby;
- Enjoy performances by CTG performers and Triad Idols;
- Delight in a delicious dinner provided by the Green Valley Grill;
- Bid on fantastic silent and live auction items, including movie memorabilia, event tickets, trips, and director's chairs decorated by local artists in celebration of previous Academy Award winners; and
- Witness all the surprises and glamour of the Academy Awards telecast!

"Oscar Night generates excitement all over the world," said Mitchel Sommers, CTG's Executive Director. "With the Academy's help, our guests will once again feel like they are on the A-list. We had an incredible turnout for Oscar Night at the O. Henry in 2011, and we hope to raise even more money for CTG's outreach programs with Oscar Night 2012."

About the Community Theatre of Greensboro (www.ctgso.org)

Founded in 1949, the Community Theatre of Greensboro is the oldest arts organization in Guilford County. In these uncertain economic times – when other arts groups are struggling across the country – CTG is growing stronger by reaching out to a wider segment of our community and focusing on our mission: *Bringing our diverse community together to learn about, experience, and celebrate the joys of theatre.* Our goal is to help everyone in our community share in the excitement of participating in theatre – as actors, backstage crew, or audience members. We cherish diversity; non-traditional casting is a priority for us.