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The Warner Theatre celebrates its 10th Anniversary with MOMIX

Torrington, CT - The Warner Theatre will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of its partnership with MOMIX, and the 30th anniversary of MOMIX itself with a compilation of the best of MOMIX, entitled *MOMIX REMIX* on Saturday, January 9 and Sunday, January 10.

The internationally renowned, MOMIX is a company of dancer - illusionists under the artistic direction of Moses Pendleton. For thirty years, Moses Pendleton has been one of America's most innovative and widely performed choreographers and directors. One of the founding members of the ground breaking *Pilobolus Dance Theatre* in 1971, he formed his own company, MOMIX in the early 1980's. Since that time, MOMIX has been celebrated world wide for its use of light, props, shadows, humor and the human body to conjure up a world of surrealistic images. MOMIX has performed throughout the United States, Europe and Asia on stage, film and television.

Traditionally, MOMIX performs on the main stage of the Warner's 1,772 –seat theatre every January. Whether it is to premiere a new work (4 of MOMIX's performances at the Warner have been world premieres) or restage a favorite, the presentation at the Warner is the beginning of the dance company's world tour each season. Throughout the 10 years, the relationship between the Warner and MOMIX has included at least two weekend performances. However, the dancers have modified these performances on a number of occasions and held additional daytime performances for schoolchildren followed by a question and answer period with Artistic Director, Moses Pendleton. Over 21,000 patrons have attended MOMIX performances at the Warner and the audience grows in number each season.

MOMIX REMIX will be presented Saturday, January 9 at 8pm and Sunday, January 10 at 2pm. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Warner box office at 80-489-7180 or online at www.warnertheatre.org.

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ABOUT THE WARNER THEATRE

Built by Warner Brothers Studios and opened in 1931 as a movie palace (1,772 seats), the Warner Theatre was described then as "Connecticut's Most Beautiful Theatre." Damaged extensively in a flood, the Warner was slated for demolition in the early 1980s until the non-profit Northwest Connecticut Association for the Arts (NCAA) was founded and purchased the theatre. The Warner reopened as a performing arts center in 1983, and restoration of the main lobbies and auditorium was completed in November 2002. In 2008, the new 50,000 square foot Carole and Ray Neag Performing Arts Center, which houses a 300 seat studio theatre, 200 seat restaurant and micro-brewery and expansive school for the arts, was completed. Today, the Warner is in operation year-round with more than 160 performances and 100,000 patrons passing through its doors each season. Over 10,000 students, pre K—adult, participate in arts education programs and classes. Together, with the support of the community, the Warner has raised close to \$17 million to revitalize its facilities. NCAA's mission is to preserve the Warner Theatre as an historic landmark, enhance its reputation as a center of artistic excellence and a focal point of community involvement, and satisfy the diverse cultural needs of the region. To learn more about the Warner Theatre, visit our website: www.warnertheatre.org.