



68 Main Street, Torrington, CT 06790 [www.warnertheatre.org](http://www.warnertheatre.org) (860) 489-7180

***For Immediate Release***

January 27, 2011

**Contact:**

Steve Criss  
Marketing Director  
(860) 489-7180, x.125  
[scriss@warnertheatre.org](mailto:scriss@warnertheatre.org)

or

Lynn Gelormino  
Public Relations Coordinator  
(860) 489-7180 x 157  
[lgelormino@warnertheatre.org](mailto:lgelormino@warnertheatre.org)

**CT FILM FESTIVAL'S 2010 "CT GROWN AWARD" WINNER, *HARVEST*  
OPENS THE WARNER THEATRE'S INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL**

Torrington, CT – On Friday, Feb 4, the Warner Theatre's Independent Film Festival Weekend opens with *Harvest*, winner of the CT Film Festival's 2010 "CT Grown Award" at 7pm followed by an Industry After Party/Fundraiser in the Warner's main theatre lobby.

*Harvest*, written and directed by Marc Meyers is the story of three generations of a family who come together one summer around the eventual passing of the family patriarch. Gathered at the family home, it is a poignant story that is ultimately uplifting, with moments of humor anchoring this realistic portrait of a family hanging on to what was, what is, and to each other. *Harvest* was filmed entirely in the state of Connecticut. The cast includes: Academy Award nominee Robert Loggia, Academy Award nominee Barbara Barrie, Jack Carpenter, Arye Gross, Tony Winner Victoria Clark, Peter Friedman, along with Daniel Eric Gold, Adriana Sevan, Kel O'Neill, and Christine Evangelista.

Following the screening, an After Party/Fundraiser will be held in the Warner's historic art deco main stage lobby featuring live music, open bar and food by Michael Bick's, *Something Fishy* catering. Guests will include: Actress Barbara Barrie, Writer/Director Marc Meyers and Producer Jody Girgenti among others.

Tickets for this event are \$50 for screening and after party or \$8.50 for screening only (\$7.50 for seniors and students showing ID).

The Warner's Independent Film Weekend will feature 3 days and nights of over 40 independent films, dozens of industry workshops and panel discussions and three after parties/receptions. For information on all of the weekend events, visit the Warner Theatre website at [www.warnertheatre.org](http://www.warnertheatre.org)

## 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](http://www.warnertheatre.org).