



PATEL CONSERVATORY
STRAZ CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Media Advisory

FOR RELEASE: Jan. 27, 2010

CONTACT:

Leslie Farrell, 813.222.6415 — lbsfarrell@gmail.com or

Paul Bilyeu, 813.222.1050 — paul.bilyeu@tbpac.org

Sherrill Milnes leads master class at Patel Conservatory

* * *

WHO: Patel Conservatory at the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts (formerly the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center)

WHAT: Sherrill Milnes leads master class.

WHEN: Friday, March 19, at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: TECO Theater at the Patel Conservatory at the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts, 1010 North W.C. MacInnes Place, Tampa, FL 33602

DETAILS: World-renowned operatic baritone and Opera Tampa Artistic Adviser Sherrill Milnes will critique and coach singers in this master class, which is open to the public for observation. Milnes selected these five singers, who applied from around the world. Winner of three Grammy® awards, Milnes is internationally recognized as the leading Verdi Baritone of his time. He performed in every great opera hall in the world, such as La Scala in Milan and Teatro Colon in Buenos Aires, and performed for every United States president since Gerald Ford. His remarkable voice, artistic integrity, commanding stage presence and rugged looks made him a favorite for all audiences.

Teaching young singers has been a passion for Milnes, who has led master classes at the Julliard and Manhattan Schools in New York and at many major universities throughout the country. He's taught more extensively at the Yale University School of Music and other universities internationally.

Tickets for this master class are pay-what-you can and reservations are being accepted at 813.222.1002; space is limited. More information is available at www.patelconservatory.org.

As part of the non-profit David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts, the Patel Conservatory offers classes for children and adults of all experience levels in all kinds of dance, music and theater.