



No. 106

May 3, 1991

CULTURAL GRANT MADE TO QUÉBEC CITY'S THÉÂTRE REPÈRE

The Honourable Barbara McDougall, Secretary of State for External Affairs, is pleased to announce that a grant of \$165,000 has been made to Théâtre Repère in Québec City, to assist it in its tour of Western Europe from August 22 to December 2, 1991. The Honourable Gilles Loiseleur, President of the Treasury Board and Minister of State (Finance), presented the grant to Théâtre Repère today, on behalf of Mrs. McDougall.

The grant is provided under the International Cultural Relations Program, which is part of External Affairs and International Trade Canada. This program supports activities in the arts, academic relations, sports and exchanges of cultural personalities. Tours, such as the one planned by Théâtre Repère, help to promote Canadian cultural creativity both nationally and internationally.

Under the artistic direction of Jacques Lessard, Théâtre Repère is recognized for the exceptional quality of its creations and the excellent work of its team. Since its formation in 1980, it has earned an outstanding reputation both in Canada and internationally, because of the success of *Trilogy of the Dragons*, *Tectonic Plates*, *Polygraph* and *Vinci*, all directed by Robert Lepage.

During its 1991 tour, Théâtre Repère will be playing in Switzerland, Italy, London, Scotland and Denmark.

- 30 -

For further information, media representatives may contact:

Media Relations Office
External Affairs and International Trade Canada
(613) 995-1874