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Presents the West Coast Premiere of

Barbra's Wedding

Written by **Daniel Stern**

Directed by **Casey Stangl**

Starring

Daniel Stern & Crystal Bernard

OPENS Friday, September 23rd, 2005 8pm

FALCON THEATRE opens its 2005-2006 subscription series with Actor/Playwright **Daniel Stern** (*City Slickers*, *Home Alone*) appearing for the first time in his hit Off-Broadway comedy, *Barbra's Wedding*. Joining him in this West Coast Premiere will be **Crystal Bernard** of the long-running TV series, *Wings*, who most recently starred in the Broadway revival of *Annie Get Your Gun*. Nationally renowned director, Casey Stangl, will stage the Falcon production. Ms. Stangl has directed numerous productions at The Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis, as well as productions for the Alabama Shakespeare Festival and Woolly Mammoth Theatre in Washington, D.C., among others.

Stern's hilarious Off-Broadway comedy deals with such hot-button issues as over-zealous paparazzi, property rights in Malibu, society's insatiable appetite for celebrity, the Hollywood pecking order and "environmentalist" Arnold Schwarzenegger's Humvee.

An out-of-work television actor and his wife examine their own marriage in the midst of the madness surrounding their famous neighbor, Barbra Streisand's, elaborate Malibu wedding... an event to which they are not invited!

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DANIEL STERN (Actor / Playwright) has appeared in over 30 movies, including *Very Bad Things*, *Home Alone* and *Home Alone 2*, *City Slickers*, *Diner*, *Hannah and Her Sisters* and *Breaking Away*. He was the narrator of the hit TV show, *The Wonder Years*, and has done extensive work in the theater, both in New York and Los Angeles, most recently *Dinner with Friends* at the Geffen Playhouse. He directed the fantasy baseball movie, *Rookie of the Year*, and made his debut as a playwright when his play, *Barbra's Wedding* premiered in New York in February 2003. He recently completed two films, *The Last*

Time and Vegas, Baby, due to be released next year, and is currently directing a new comedy for 20th Century Fox entitled *Don Wayne Wyoming*.

CRYSTAL BERNARD (Actress) had her feature film debut in *Young Doctors in Love* with Hector Elizondo, directed by Garry Marshall. That same year Mr. Marshall cast her as a series regular in *Happy Days*, the last year of its 11-year run, where she played the Cunningham's niece, 'K.C. Cunningham'. She went on to do four years of the TV series *It's a Living* and eight years on *Wings*. During that time she starred in 14 television movies and three Independent Theatre releases. In 2002, Crystal starred on Broadway in the critically-acclaimed revival of the beloved Irving Berlin musical, *Annie Get Your Gun*. That same year, she had a top 10 single on the radio, "I Wanna Take Forever Tonight" a duet with Peter Cetera (of Chicago.) Since then she has recorded two albums and is currently working on her third. Other theatre credits include the Falcon Theatre production of *Crimes of the Heart*, directed by Garry Marshall. Ms. Bernard will also be seen in two new movies this Christmas on the Hallmark Channel.

Casey Stangl (Director) recently completed a twelve-year tenure as artistic director of Eye of the Storm Theatre in Minneapolis, a company she co-founded to commission and produce new plays and bring nationally prominent new work to Twin Cities' audiences. In 2003, Casey was named Artist of the Year by the Minneapolis Star Tribune and Best Director by City Pages. Casey's work has been seen at The Guthrie Theater, Woolly Mammoth Theatre in Washington, D.C., Alabama Shakespeare Festival, Minnesota Opera and The Jungle Theater. Since moving to Los Angeles, she has directed for South Coast Repertory's Pacific Playwrights Festival and Pasadena Playhouse's Hothouse series.

WHEN:	PREVIEWS	Wednesday, September 14th – Thursday, September 22nd, 2005
	OPENS	Friday, September 23rd, 2005 8pm
	RUNS THRU	Sunday, October 9th, 2005
	PERFORMANCES	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm, and Sundays at 4pm

PREVIEW PRICES: \$25 - \$27.50

Non-PREVIEW PRICES: \$30 - \$37.50

**** *Barbra's Wedding* is recommended for ages 13 years and older. ****

***** Additional information at www.falcontheatre.com. *****

THE FALCON THEATRE is located at 4252 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, in Burbank.

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