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**Falcon Theatre  
& Steven Ullman**

Present

**Fritz Coleman** in

***Tonight At 11!***

*Written by* Fritz Coleman

*Directed by* Richard Kline

Previews begin September 6<sup>th</sup> for the 23-Performance Engagement  
**OPENS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> at 8PM**

This just in! The Falcon Theatre will launch its 2006-2007 subscription series with the **World Premiere** of Fritz Coleman's *Tonight at 11!*, a joint production with Steven Ullman's 1113 Productions, Inc.. Previews begin Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> and run through Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. **Opening Night is Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.** The play will close on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Truth proves stranger than fiction when Fritz Coleman exposes the behind-the-scenes drama at a fictional Los Angeles television station in his bold new play. Coleman, the award-winning weathercaster for NBC4, delights in giving us a real insider's look at what goes on during your "typical" late night broadcast, behind the camera and off the air. It's **your** nightly news as you've never seen it before!

"We are thrilled to have Fritz Coleman, the honorary Mayor of Toluca Lake, bringing us the timely inside 'scoop' on the fascinating world behind broadcast news in his new play, *Tonight at 11!*" the Falcon Theatre's owner, **Garry Marshall** announced. "But don't worry; Fritz will be done in time to bring us our five-day-forecast each night at eleven o'clock."

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**Fritz Coleman (Writer/Performer)** has been the weekday weathercaster at NBC4 for nearly 24 years. He has received four Los Angeles area Emmy Awards for his comedy specials on Channel 4. He has also had a long and successful career as a stand-up comic making numerous appearances on the *Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson*, the *ELLEN Show*, *Merv Griffin*, and a *Bob Hope Comedy Special*. He has hosted two of his own television shows on Channel 4: *It's Fritz*, a comedy/variety show following *Saturday Night Live*; and *What a Week*, a humorous look at the week's news in review. Fritz has been the opening act for some of the top talents in the business including Ray Charles. *Tonight at 11!* is his third solo play.

Press Release: *Fritz Coleman in the World Premiere of Tonight At 11!*

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**Richard Kline (Director)** is known to television audiences as ‘Larry’ on the classic sitcom *Three’s Company*, now enjoying cult status on Nick at Nite and TV Land. As a director, Richard has directed all three of NBC4 weatherman Fritz Coleman’s solo shows including *It’s Me! Dad!* and *The Reception*. Other credits include directing Bruce Davison, Burt Reynolds and Billy Connolly in their television series, and the comedy pilot *America’s Next Hit Television Show* which aired on Comedy Central. In 1998, he was honored with the LA Drama Critics Award for his direction of Noel Coward’s *Present Laughter*. Other stage direction credits include *Rough Crossing*, *The Great Sebastians*, *Breaking Legs* (with Pat Harrington), *Bedroom Stories*, *5 Women Wearing the Same Dress*, *Marvin and Mel*, *A Delicate Balance*, the Theatre League tour of *Leader of the Pack*, and the highly successful, long-running *Rumors*, starring Bernie Koppel. He teaches two acting workshops per week in New York City and consults for corporate clients on the Art of Public Speaking. [www.RichardKline.net](http://www.RichardKline.net)

**Steven Ullman (Producer)** won the coveted LA Stage Alliance Ovation Award for Best Musical (Large Theatre) three times in four years in his position as Producing Artistic Director (1997-2005) of the Civic Light Opera of South Bay Cities: *West Side Story* (1999), *Dreamgirls* (2000), and *Crazy For You* (2002). He was also the Producing Artistic Director and co-founder of the Hermosa Beach Playhouse where he produced the world premiere of the musical *Bingo*. His independent theatre producing credits include: David Rabe’s *Hurlyburly* at the Westwood (now the Geffen) Playhouse, starring Sean Penn, Danny Aiello, Mare Winningham, Suzy Amis and Michael Lerner; *Small Prey*, a one-woman show written and performed by *Saturday Night Live*’s Nora Dunn; *The Foreigner* in San Francisco starring Rene Auberjonois, Imogene Coca and Charlene Tilton, directed by Jerry Zaks; the six-year San Francisco run of *Greater Tuna*; the five-year National Tour of *Some Like It Cole!*; the Los Angeles hit *Loose Lips* directed by Martin Charnin starring Robert Morse, Steve Landesberg, Fred Savage, and others. Steven produced and directed the world premiere of Doug Wright’s *The Stonewater Rapture*, for which he won a Fringe First Award at the Edinburgh Festival in Scotland. Steven began his career in theatre at the age of fourteen as a musical director, and is an alumnus of Stanford University. G.U.T.I.

<b>WHEN:</b>	PREVIEWS	<b>Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006</b>
	OPENING NIGHT	<b>Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 8pm</b>
	SHOW CLOSES	<b>Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 at 4pm</b>
	PERFORMANCES	<b>Tuesdays through Saturdays at 8pm, and Sundays at 4pm</b>
	PRICES	<b>Tickets range from \$25.00 - \$37.50</b>

\*\*\*\* Recommended for ages 16 and up. \*\*\*\*

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

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