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**Performing Arts Series presents The Acting Company**

*Summary:*

(February 3, 2005)-“There is nothing else like The Acting Company in America.” – Kevin Kline

The Acting Company will perform “The Turn of the Screw,” Henry James’ provocative tale of suspense, horror and psychological intrigue as adapted by award-winning playwright Jeffrey Hatcher, as the next event in this year's Performing Arts Series at the University of Minnesota, Morris. The performance is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, in Edson Auditorium of the UMM Student Center.

In addition to the evening performance, the company will hold a Stage Combat/Movement Workshop from 1:30-3 p.m., also on Saturday in Room 125 of Humanities Fine Arts at UMM. Both the performance and the workshop are open to the public.

John Houseman and Margot Harley founded The Acting Company in 1972. The Company promotes theater and literacy by bringing a touring repertory of classical productions, talented young actors and teaching artists into communities across America, particularly those where live performance and theater arts education is limited or non-existent.

The Acting Company has performed 79 plays for over 2 million people in 48 states and nine foreign countries and has been honored with the Obie Award, the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award, Citibank’s Excellence in Education Award, two Audelco Awards, and a 2003 TONY Honoring Excellence in Theater. Read more about The Acting Company at <http://www.theactingcompany.org/>

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For ticket information, contact the Office of Student Activities, UMM, at 320-589-6080 or visit the Performing Arts Series web site at [www.mrs.umn.edu/stuorgs/CAC/Arts/](http://www.mrs.umn.edu/stuorgs/CAC/Arts/).

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