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**Magic Theatre presents the Martha Heasley Cox
Virgin Play Series:
Five staged readings in cafés and theatres
throughout San Francisco**

I, February, 2010 – SAN FRANCISCO, CA: Magic Theatre, San Francisco's home for new plays, presents *The Virgin Play Series*, five staged readings of works currently in development playing in cafés and theatres throughout San Francisco. Funded by a generous donation from Martha Heasley Cox, *The Virgin Play Series* is a program central to Magic's mission: to develop the work of emerging and mid-career playwrights and introduce the work of those artists to new audiences and communities. The readings will introduce newcomers Zohar Tirosh-Polk, Ryan Purcell, Javier Malpica, and his translator Jorge Ignacio Cortiñas to San Francisco audiences, as well as offer an opportunity to hear work-in-progress by well-loved Magic playwrights Lloyd Suh (*American Hwangap*) and Theresa Rebeck (*Mauritius*), both of whom had hits on Magic's stage in 2009.

The readings will feature equity actors and professional directors in script-in-hand readings. A conversation with the playwright, director, actors and audience will follow each reading.

FOR CALENDAR EDITORS:

Virgin Play Series

Magic Theatre presents staged readings of new plays currently in development. Hear some of the voices we're listening to right now.

Six

by Zohar Tirosh-Polk
Monday, March 1st, 6:00pm
The Commonwealth Club
595 Market Street, SF

What We're Up Against

by Theresa Rebeck
Monday, March 8th, 6:00pm
Space Gallery
1141 Polk Street, SF

Jesus in India
by Lloyd Suh
Monday, March 15th, 6:00pm
Café Royale
800 Post Street, SF

Marinheiro
by Ryan Purcell
Monday, March 22nd, 6:00pm
Magic Theatre
Fort Mason Center, Bldg D, SF

Our Dad is in Atlantis
By Javier Malpica
Translated from the Spanish by
Jorge Ignacio Cortiñas
Monday, March 29
Magic Theatre

Tickets: All readings are free and open to the public. Please reserve your seats in advance. For reservations call (415) 240-4454.

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