



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: First Thursday Film Night

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First Thursday Film Night Presents
Wrestling with Angels: Playwright Tony Kushner
at the Morris Graves Museum of Art
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Join the Humboldt Arts Council and the Morris Graves Museum of Art (MGMA) in conjunction with KEET-TV and Humboldt State University as they present **Wrestling with Angels: Playwright Tony Kushner**, by Frieda Lee Mock, September 6, 2007, from 6-7:30pm the Morris Graves Museum of Art. This is a FREE monthly event.

Tony Kushner, whose epochal *Angels in America* won a Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award, has emerged as one of the country's leading playwrights — and one of its fiercest moral critics. In the new award-winning film "Wrestling With Angels: Playwright Tony Kushner", Oscar-winning director Freida Lee Mock followed Kushner for three tumultuous years, from Sept. 11, 2001 to the 2004 presidential election, to delve into the passions that keep him reaching for the great American play. Actors Marcia Gay Harden, Meryl Streep, Tonya Pinkins and Emma Thompson, directors Mike Nichols and George C. Wolfe, and writer/artist Maurice Sendak are seen collaborating with Kushner on such landmark works as *Angels in America*, *Caroline, or Change*, and *Homebody/Kabul*.

"Fiercely political, deeply personal, incredibly intelligent, funny, poignant, hopeful, and immensely spiritual, Kushner's work is a bright shining light." –David Courier, Sundance 2006

For more information visit <http://www.pbs.org/pov/pov2007/tonykushner/preview.html>.

First Thursday Film Night, as part of larger project, Expression Sessions, a series of cultural and educational events for families and teachers. ***First Thursday Film Night*** is designed to provide quality film and open discussion based on PBS Point of View (POV) and Independent Lens programming. Many of these films are documentaries and deal with issues such as art, music, education, race, gender, politics and MORE!

* POV and Independent Lens programming content do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the Humboldt Arts Council and the Morris Graves Museum of Art.

The Morris Graves Museum of Art, located at 636 F Street, Eureka is open to the public Noon-5p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Museum admission is by donation: \$4 for adults, \$1 for seniors age 55 and older; HAC Members and children age 12 and under are admitted free. Admission is always free for everyone during each First Saturday Arts Alive!, 6-9 p.m.