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**THE GAMM DONATES PERFORMANCE OF A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS IN WALES  
TO BENEFIT VICTIMS OF RECENT MILL FIRE**

PAWTUCKET, RI (November 23, 2003) — The Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre (The Gamm) is pleased to announce that proceeds from its planned December 16 performance of *A Child's Christmas In Wales* will be donated to the Pawtucket Fire Relief Fund for the victims of the Greenhalgh Mill fire. The City of Pawtucket established the fund in response to the Nov. 14 fire that destroyed the mill complex, leveling or damaging nearby homes and businesses in its wake.

Pawtucket residents who were dislocated as a result of the fire are invited to attend the 7 p.m. performance free of charge and enjoy an elegant reception in the lobby of The Gamm's new theater following the show. A limited number of \$75 benefit tickets (regularly \$21) are available to the public and can be purchased through the Gamm box office at 172 Exchange St. in the Pawtucket Armory Annex, by calling 401-723-4266, or online at [www.arttixri.com](http://www.arttixri.com).

Gamm Artistic Director Tony Estrella said he hopes the performance will bring a little joy to those whose holidays have been marred by the tragic fire.

"As newcomers to Pawtucket, we were greatly saddened by the fire that ruined the homes and businesses of so many of our new neighbors. We hope to share some of our recent good fortune with those who've suffered and also raise some money to help them get on with their lives and livelihoods. I grew up in Pawtucket and when I was very young I actually lost my family home to fire and remember the great outpouring of support from family, friends and strangers. Reaching out in the smallest way is the very least we can do," Estrella said.

*A Child's Christmas in Wales* is a play with music, adapted from the prose and poetry of legendary Welshman Dylan Thomas. Estrella directs the show, which features Gamm Artistic Associate Christopher Byrnes as Thomas himself. The production runs through Dec. 23 at The Gamm's beautiful new performance space in the Pawtucket Armory Annex.

**About The Gamm**

Founded in 1984 as Alias Stage, the nonprofit Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre performs great works of the classic and modern theater in an intimate setting that fosters the vital relationship between author, actor and audience. As the cornerstone of the Arts Exchange at the Pawtucket Armory, The Gamm seeks to engage and enrich the community through affordable entertainment and educational programming.

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