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JAMES EARL JONES TO APPEAR AT SCRANTON CULTURAL CENTER

SCRANTON--Marywood University, The University of Scranton, Keystone College, Penn State Worthington Scranton, the African American Arts Alliance, the Lackawanna County Diversity Coalition and the Scranton Cultural Center will join forces to sponsor "An Evening with James Earl Jones" on Oct. 28, at 8 p.m. at the Cultural Center.

The topic of the evening will be the role of the arts in bringing together diverse populations in the community.

Tickets will be distributed on campuses to students. Tickets for the general public will go on sale on Sept. 24 at 10 a.m. at the Cultural Center and are priced at \$10. Tickets are limited to two per person and must be purchased at the Cultural Center. Phone and fax orders will not be accepted.

A celebrated actor, Jones has a long list of film, television and stage credits.

In 1989, he co-starred with Kevin Costner in Universal Studio's "Field of Dreams," playing the skeptical and reclusive 60's author Terrence Mann in a film that is already considered a classic. His other films include "The Hunt for Red October," "Patriot Games," "Clear and Present Danger," "Sommersby," and "Grim Prairie Tales."

Jones received Emmy Awards in 1991 as Best Actor in a Drama Series for "Gabriel's Fire" and as Best Supporting Actor in a Mini-Series or Special for his role in the TNT movie "Heat Wave." He also received the 1992 NAACP Award Best Actor Trophy for Gabriel's Fire.

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Jones earned a Tony Award for his work in "The Great White Hope," in which he played Jack Johnson, the first heavyweight boxing champion. His appearance in the film version of the Great White Hope earned him an Academy Award nomination.

Jones' distinctive voice has enriched recordings of everything from classic dramas to Bell Atlantic commercials and provided size and soul for "Darth Vader" in the "Star Wars" trilogy. He is also the "voice" behind CNN.

Among his many awards and nominations, Jones holds honorary doctorates from Yale, Princeton and Columbia universities. In 1992, he was awarded the National Medal of Arts by President George Bush. He is also the recipient of the prestigious NAACP Hall of Fame Image Award for his contributions to the arts.

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