

*You are cordially invited  
to save \$10,000  
and win a weekend at a Connecticut garden estate  
or sailing on the Carolina coast  
by not attending*

***The Synergic Theater's 20th Anniversary Un-gala Benefit***  
*a dinner-dance and performance  
honoring the Friends of the Synergic Theater*

*to not be held  
in the Roman Amphitheater at the foot of Mount Etna  
in Taormina, Sicily*

Just think, you...

- ...don't have to rent or buy a tux or gown
- ...don't have to hire a chauffeured limousine
- ...don't have to purchase plane tickets for your entire table of guests
- ...don't have to eat your way through a sculpture garden of food
- ...don't have to make small talk over a large, loud band
- ...don't have to sit on ancient Roman stones through a 24-hour marathon retrospective of Synergic Theater productions
- ...don't have to lug home a 50-pound bag of monogrammed olives

You get out of all that--and save an estimated **\$10,000!**--for only \$25 per ticket, or \$250 for a table of 12.

Plus... every ticket you buy goes into the hat for our special Un-gala Benefit door prize drawing. You really can win one of two special weekends that are sure to be a lot more fun than the dinner-dance and performance would have been. On the enclosed form, check your choice of which door prize you'd like to win:

**Connecticut River Garden Estate:** A cozy weekend in a two-bedroom contemporary guest cottage nestled into extraordinary gardens and woodlands in Hamburg Cove, Connecticut (optional canoe available). Two and half hours from New York by car, or transportation can be provided to and from the nearby Old Saybrook train station. Generously donated by Tucky Jewett.

**Sailing the Carolina Coast:** The weekend includes home port accommodations in the charming town of Oriental--the sailing capital of the Carolinas--and plying the waters of the New Bern River/Pamlico Sound in a 27-foot sloop (optional powerboat available). Transportation can be provided to and from New Bern airport. Generously donated by Robert French.

Both prizes are guaranteed to be awarded. But that's not all. There's more on the other side.

This is the more serious side.

The best part is that your donation helps support a 20th Anniversary Synergic Theater Workshop this summer (see enclosed flyer). This year's funds are dedicated primarily to scholarships for people who couldn't otherwise attend, plus some of the cost of renting the space where the workshop will be held.

We thought a workshop would be a good way to mark the 20th Anniversary because that is how the company began... with the first Synergic Theater Workshop at Duke University 20 years ago. A workshop that led to

the premiere performance at Duke in July of 1974  
the move to bring the American Dance Festival to Durham  
the company's three years in its own studio in San Francisco  
residencies at Duke, UNC-G, Pace, Cedar Crest and SUNY-Brockport  
performances at Page Auditorium, Reynolds Theater, The Ark, Stewart  
Theater, Herbst Theater, Julia Morgan Center, Project Artaud, Margaret  
Jenkins Performance Gallery, Marymount Manhattan Theater, Schimmel  
Center for the Arts, Schaeberle Theater, Tompkins Center, Hartwell  
Dance Theater, and Ohio Theater  
sponsorship from the US-USSR Summer Arts Festival, the San Francisco Bay  
Area Dance Coalition, 400th Anniversary British-American Festival,  
Spain '92, the Downtown Festival, and the TWEED Festival  
funding from Samuel H. Scripps (special thanks to Sam), the Mary Duke  
Biddle Foundation, the California Arts Council, the North Carolina Arts  
Council, the New York State Council on the Arts, and the NYC  
Department of Cultural resources  
some incredible critical acclaim  
and, mostly, to an astonishing realm of creative people, fresh perspectives, and  
meaningful artistic experiences, all shared among 20 years worth of  
participants, collaborators, students and audiences.

All thanks to people like you...the Friends of the Synergic Theater.

So, even though we can't hold an event even remotely like the one described on the other side, we can, quite genuinely, honor our friends for all they've done these past 20 years.

All our best,

David H. Manning  
Co-director

Suzanne White Manning  
Co-director