

## "Letters Home" comes to Palm Beach State Nov. 10

## The nationally touring play tells the stories of U.S. soldiers serving in the Middle East

(Lake Worth, Fla. – Oct. 14, 2011) "Letters Home," a nationally touring play that brings to life actual letters written by U.S. soldiers serving in the Middle East, will be staged at Palm Beach State College's Duncan Theatre Nov. 10.

The event will be held at 3 p.m. as part of the College's Veterans Day celebration. Tickets are \$6, and the event is open to the public.

Adapted by William Massolia, artistic director for Chicago-based Griffin Theatre Company, the production highlights the patriotic spirit as well as the challenges and struggles of soldiers serving on the battlefields in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The production is inspired by the 2004 New York Times Op-Ed article, "The Things They Wrote," and the subsequent HBO documentary "Last Letters Home." It also uses letters and correspondence from Frank Schaeffer's books, "Voices from the Front," "Letters Home from America's Military Family," "Faith of Our Sons" and "Keeping Faith." While the 10-actor play focuses largely on letters from soldiers, the production includes some letters from parents of soldiers.

The 2007 debut production of "Letters Home" was nominated for a Joseph Jefferson Award for Outstanding New Play.

For tickets, call 561-868-3309 or purchase them online at <a href="www.duncantheatre.org">www.duncantheatre.org</a>. To learn more about "Letters Home," visit <a href="www.palmbeachstate.edu/VeteransDay.xml">www.palmbeachstate.edu/VeteransDay.xml</a>.

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