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**Insurgo Theater Movement to open at the Plaza Hotel and Casino
*Local repertory company will open in a new theater, offering entertainment
in addition to Plaza's classic showroom***

LAS VEGAS (July 29, 2011) – In addition to the classic showroom just off the casino floor at the Plaza Hotel and Casino, a new 75-seat theater on the third floor is being developed for the Insurgo Theater Movement.

The award-winning Insurgo Theater Movement is a 36-member repertory company that has garnered a reputation for provocative stagings of classic plays and bold original work. The company will relocate to a newly renovated space at the Plaza Hotel and Casino as of Sept. 1, with the gala opening of "Waiting for Godot."

The opening of the Insurgo Theater Movement at the Plaza marks the first time a local repertory theater has been offered a residency and will produce full seasons of shows at a major hotel-casino in Las Vegas.

"The all-new Plaza wants to offer a unique mix of dining and entertainment options to its customers, both tourists and locals," said Tony Santo, president and CEO of PlayLV and Santo Gaming. "As the Plaza is a neighbor to The Smith Center, we have a great opportunity to be part of a growing downtown arts scene with the opening of the Insurgo Theater Movement."

"The opening the Insurgo Theater Movement at the Plaza is another example of the development of downtown and the growth of the local independent theater and arts scene in Las Vegas," said John Beane, director of the Insurgo Theater Movement.

"Waiting for Godot" by Samuel Beckett will open for previews Sept. 1 and offer an extended run starting Sept. 8, with shows playing Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m.

In addition, the Insurgo Theater Movement will host Jeremy Aluma's original clown troupe "Four Clowns" on its first national tour for a special engagement on Sept. 2 and 3 at 11 p.m.

Later in the fall, "Cannibal!" by "Book of Mormon" and "South Park" creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone will open for an open-ended run.

More information on the shows and purchasing tickets can be found at www.insurgotheater.org.



Classical and controversial, Insurgo is a passionate collective of national and international theater artists, including members of Cirque Du Soleil, graduates of the Moscow Art Theatre and the Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theater, and others.

The show that will premier in the Plaza's classic showroom will be announced at a future date.

About Insurgo Theater Movement

Insurgo Theater Movement is Las Vegas' leading independent theater company. It is a 36-member repertory company with a dedicated 13 member acting ensemble that trains weekly with specialists in different theatrical disciplines. It has won numerous awards, including: Best of the City 2011 (NPR/Desert Companion), Best of the City 2010 (Seven Magazine), Best of Vegas 2009 (Las Vegas Review-Journal), and Best of the Valley 2008 (CityLife). The troupe also teaches regular workshops at UNLV and the College of Southern Nevada. For more information on productions, please visit: www.insurgotheater.org

About the Plaza Hotel & Casino

The Plaza Hotel & Casino opened in 1971 at 1 Main Street, at the intersection of Main and Fremont Street, and was a fashionable stop on the first train service through Las Vegas. Anchoring the Fremont Street Experience, the Plaza has been an iconic hotel in the heart of downtown Las Vegas for more than 40 years. It sits on 16.5 acres of land and has 1,037 rooms and suites, making it one of the largest hotel-casinos in downtown Las Vegas. Recent renovations have updated and improved the Plaza's ambiance throughout, creating a stylish and comfortable new experience for its guests. To learn more, visit www.plazahotelcasino.com

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