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## FRIDAY THE 13TH AND THE IDES OF MARCH

*By Lucy White, Executive Director*

I'm pretty sure there hasn't been a less auspicious weekend for the PACT board to meet for some time. Nevertheless, we did have a very productive two days at the Citadel in Edmonton. Thank you to the Citadel for being a gracious and generous host.

[Click here to read more.](#)

## IN MEMORIAM: PACT HONORARY LIFE MEMBER DAVID ROSS

Honorary Life Member of the Professional Association of Canadian Theatres and longtime Artistic Producer of Western Canada Theatre **David Ross** passed away on March 29, 2009 after a long battle against cancer. David Ross was a significant contributor to the Canadian theatre industry for 40 years.

[To read more click here.](#)

## ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S BUDDY SYSTEM

About a year ago, PACT received new feedback from artistic directors engaged with PACT companies. They wanted to be more connected with their artistic peers and wanted more support when looking for answers in difficult situations.

So we came up with a simple tool, **a confidential connection to another artistic PACT family member**. We could have devised a new name, but we're calling it what it is...a buddy system.

The programme was launched in February and we are happy to report that a dozen artistic directors from across the country are already participating.

To all artistic directors and associates: if you feel you could benefit from such a connection, or if you feel your experience would benefit another member of the PACT family, please let us know at [cleliaf@pact.ca](mailto:cleliaf@pact.ca)

Thank you.  
The PACT Membership Committee

## 2009 MALLORY GILBERT LEADERSHIP AWARD

## 2009 PACT CONFERENCE & AGM

*Relation, Creation,  
Elation*

## REGISTER NOW!

Thursday, May 28  
to Sunday, May 31

**Centaur Theatre  
Montreal, QC.**



To register [click here.](#)

For the latest Conference & AGM news, [click here.](#)

## WORLD THEATRE DAY

World Theatre Day is celebrated annually on the 27th of March by the International Theatre Institute and the international theatre

## Mallory Gilbert 09 LEADERSHIP AWARD

The call for nominations is now closed and the Selection Panel will meet mid-April to select a Winner. Members of the Selection Panel are Mallory Gilbert, Jenny Munday, Cherry Karpyschin, Marcus Youssef and Lucy White. The Award ceremony will take place in Montreal during the PACT Conference & AGM.

### ARTSBUILD ONTARIO UPDATE

With a significant three-year commitment from The Ontario Trillium Foundation confirmed in November 2008, ArtsBuild Ontario is now able to initiate an ambitious program to address the urgent capital infrastructure needs of Ontario's small and mid-sized arts organizations.

[To read more click here](#)

### PACT ONLY INFORMATION

#### REGION AND CATEGORY REPORTS

Catch up with Members' news across the country and read the March 2009 Category and Region reports.

To read the reports, please log on to [www.pact.ca](http://www.pact.ca) and look under Members' Documents, *Communications/Publications* section.

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community.

The author of the **2009 World Theatre Day International Message** is Brazilian theatre director and founder of the Theatre of the Oppressed **Augusto Boal**. To read the message [click here](#).

### IMPACT!

*Impact!* is now a monthly newsletter. Watch for our next edition!

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