

The EDGERTON CENTER for the PERFORMING ARTS at Sacred Heart University

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For Immediate Release:

**JACK KLUGMAN Live! Presented by The Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts
on the Campus of Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut**

The **Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts** at **Sacred Heart University** will inaugurate its *American Legends Series* with **JACK KLUGMAN Live!** on **Sunday, October 19, 2008** at **3pm**.

The three-time Emmy Award-winner will take the stage to reminisce about his career in film, television and on stage in an 'Actors Studio-style' presentation hosted by **Jerry Goehring**, Executive Director of The Edgerton Center. **Klugman** will answer questions from the audience during the talkback and audience members will have an opportunity to meet him after the show as he signs copies of his book, "Tony and Me: A Story of Friendship."

Jack Klugman began acting after serving in the United States Army during World War II. He starred in such classic films as "12 Angry Men" and "Days of Wine and Roses." He won an Emmy Award for his work on the television series "The Defenders" and appeared in four episodes of the acclaimed series "The Twilight Zone." In addition, he says one of his greatest thrills was appearing with Humphrey Bogart and Henry Fonda in a 1954 live television broadcast of "The Petrified Forest."

He is best known for his starring roles in two popular television series of the 1970s and early 1980s: "The Odd Couple" (1970–1975) and "Quincy, M.E." (1976–1983). He won two additional Emmy Awards for The Odd Couple.

In the early 1990s, he lost a vocal cord to cancer but has continued acting on stage and on television.

In 2005, **Klugman** published a book called "Tony and Me: A Story of Friendship," about his long friendship with his "Odd Couple" co-star Tony Randall, who **Klugman** said was the best friend he ever had. In the book, he talks of their long working relationship and how good Randall had been to him after his cancer operation.

The Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts, on the campus of Sacred Heart University, is located at 5151 Park Avenue in Fairfield, Connecticut just minutes from exit 47 of the Merritt Parkway.

Tickets, at \$10 each, **may be RESERVED:**

By Phone: Edgerton Center Box Office at **203.371.7908**.

In Person: at box office located in the lobby of the Edgerton Center

Online at www.EdgertonCenter.org <<http://www.edgertoncenter.org/>>

Box Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 12noon-4pm...open 2 hours prior to performance.

The **Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts** is totally wheelchair accessible. Please let the box office know of any special needs when ordering tickets.

On **Saturday, October 18**, the general public is invited to a **Jack Klugman Retrospective**, an all-day event, featuring some of his acclaimed films, television shows and appearances. This event is Free and will take place at **Schine Auditorium** in the Library of Sacred Heart University.

About The Edgerton Center for the performing Arts

Sacred Heart University's Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts (ECPA) is an intimate 776-seat theatre located in beautiful Fairfield, CT. ECPA is dedicated to creating and presenting high quality programming for families, students and the community that will entertain, educate and challenge. ECPA strives to extend and supplement the intellectual life of the classroom for students from Pre-K through college, thus creating opportunities for community and university interaction, while reflecting the ethnic, faith and cultural diversity of the region.