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**HERBERGER THEATER ART GALLERY PRESENTS
“A HUNDRED YEARS IN THE DESERT” EXHIBIT**

PHOENIX – The Herberger Theater Center is pleased to announce its winter art exhibition, “A Hundred Years in the Desert”. This exhibit coincides with Arizona’s centennial celebration.

The exhibit will kick off with an opening reception on Saturday, January 7 from 5:30-7pm at the Herberger Theater Art Gallery, which is on the second level of the theater. The reception is free and open to the public. Guests can enjoy a no-host bar in Bob’s Spot Gallery Lounge, an intimate lounge with balcony seating.

“A Hundred Years in the Desert” will feature the work of 26 Arizona artists, including Barry Farmer, Aileen Frick, Marilyn Szabo, Joan Waters and Beata Wehr. This exhibit celebrates what it means to live in the desert and how life has changed here over time. This is the first show by the Herberger Art Gallery Guest Curator of 2012, Robrt Pela. Pela, along with other local art community members, juried this show choosing 31 pieces for the exhibit.

The exhibit will be on display through April 2, 2012. Art Gallery hours are 10am-5pm, Monday-Friday and during performances. All artwork will be available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the Herberger Theater Center. The Herberger Theater Art Gallery is sponsored by Billie Jo and Judd Herberger. For more information, visit http://www.herbergertheater.org/art_gallery or call 602-254-7399 x117.

The Herberger Theater Center is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to support and foster the growth of the performing arts in Phoenix as the premier performance venue, incubator and advocate.

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