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The Midtown International Theater Festival Presents

TRANSIT

From Boston to Enlightenment...A Moving Experience

Written and Performed by Mary Jane Wells (aka Brini Maxwell's Mom)

Directed by Ben Sander (aka Brini Maxwell)

Performances Begin Thursday, July 26th

At Stage Left Studio, 438 West 37th Street, 5-A

May 30, 2007

The Midtown International Theater Festival will present the *TRANSIT*. Performances will be at Stage Left Studio, 438 West 37th Street, 5-A, and will begin on Thursday, July 26th, continuing through Sunday, August 5th.

TRANSIT follows a white girl (Mary Jane Wells) in her search for God: from an epiphany on Charles Street in Boston to a Houston Street Howard Johnson's, with stops in Appalachia and Kansas City. "I come from the do it yourself generation," she writes on her MySpace page (where she has attracted close to 3,000 friends), "coming of age after World War II - if you needed something - a new dress - adding a room for a baby - you did it yourself because everybody else was too busy to help. That has stood me in good stead during my life. When problems beset me, I looked inside myself for answers. How to balance my own desires with my responsibilities to my family. Taking care of my mother during her decline and death, struggling with my husband about home and career, worrying about my son's growing up and finally discovering the solution lay in understanding that whatever I wanted to do, I had to do myself. Looking back on it all now I take it all with a grain of salt. My struggles and travails amuse me; after all, I made it this far didn't I? So that's what *TRANSIT* is about, surviving the blizzard of my life. I hope you'll come and see me talk about it some evening."

Mary Jane Wells is an actress, producer and director who has played many roles over the course of her long career in show business. Theater credits include *TAXICAB CHRONICLES* (alongside future Broadway star Laura Bell Bundy); *JIGSAWS* at the Samuel Beckett Theatre; *THE LOVE SUICIDE AT SCHOFIELD BARRACKS* written and directed by Romulus Linney for the Signature Theatre; and *HOT L BALTIMORE* and *PASSAGE* at the American Globe Theatre. Regional credits include The Virginia Stage Company, the GeVa Theatre, Stamford Theatre Works, Pennsylvania Stage Company and major roles at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., Dorset Theatre Festival, Missouri Rep, Theatre 3 in Dallas, Cincinnati Playhouse and the Cleveland Playhouse. Television viewers remember her as Mrs. Healey in *SEX IN THE CITY* for HBO, and a rollerblading Grandma for *SESAME STREET*, as well as appearances on the soap operas *ONE LIFE TO LIVE*, *ALL MY CHILDREN*, *AS THE WORLD TURNS* and *GUIDING LIGHT*. She also directed and helped produce *THE BRINI MAXWELL SHOW* on Channel 35 with her son Ben Sander. She lives in SOHO with her husband Peter Sander who teaches at the Hofstra University Department of Drama and Dance.

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| July / August 2007 | | | | | | |
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| Su | Mo | Tu | Wed | Thu | Fr | Sa |
| | | | | 26 8:30pm | 27 | 28 8:15pm |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 8:30pm | 4 1:30pm |
| 5 4:00pm | | | | | | |

Tickets are \$18 and may be purchased by calling Smarttix at (212) 868-4444, or online at www.maryjanewells.com.

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Thursday July 26th at 8:30pm, Saturday July 28th at 8:15pm, Friday August 3rd at 8:30pm, Saturday August 4th at 1:30pm and Sunday August 5th at 4:00pm

TICKETS: \$18.00 (\$15 students/seniors); Call (212) 868-4444 or visit www.smarttix.com

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