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GREAT PLAINS THEATRE CONFERENCE FEATURES ACCOMPLISHED PLAYWRIGHT

OMAHA, Neb. – Metropolitan Community College's Great Plains Theatre Conference (GPTC) will feature award-winning playwright Constance Congdon. At this year's GPTC, Congdon will serve as a Writer's Workshop instructor and as a MainStage panelist.

Congdon's work will be featured on Tuesday, May 26, at 8 p.m. at the Omaha Community Playhouse, Howard Drew Theatre. A staged reading of Congdon's play, *Take Me to the River*, will be followed by a talkback with Congdon. Because of her continued commitment to theatre, Congdon will be awarded the Great Plains Award for Distinguished Service to the American Theatre.

The mission of the GPTC is to recognize the work of renowned American playwrights while fostering the work of new and emerging playwrights. Metropolitan Community College hosts the annual conference that brings playwrights, directors and actors together to create a workshop experience for playwrights to develop their work.

For more information on the 2009 GPTC, visit www.mccneb.edu/theatreconference or call (402) 457-2618.