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The “San Jose Rep Goes on Tour” This Fall

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The [San Jose Rep](#), one of the valley's oldest theatre companies, is going on the road this fall with a new program that promises to nurture a new generation of theatre-goers. "San Jose Rep on Tour" is an exciting program that will bring to schools a high-quality professional production of relevant, curriculum-based play. The best part? The performances will take place on the school's stage.

San Jose Rep on Tour will visit 15-25 of the valley's middle and high schools in Fall 2010 with its first American classic – *The Glass Menagerie* by Tennessee Williams. *The Glass Menagerie* is one of the recommended novels in California's language arts framework. The Rep's performances will bring the novel alive and provide students with access to materials in a meaningful and memorable way. The performances will be supported by co-curricular activities including study guides, workshops, and post-performance discussions.

Using the school auditorium or cafeteria (or an equivalent space), the 75 minute shows can seat as many the facility will allow and ends with a question and answer session with the actors. Students can post questions about the novel, the play, performances, backgrounds and experiences of the actors, and even about careers in theatre and associated professions, such as screenplays, directing, lighting, and sound.

The San Jose Rep staff is just starting its outreach for programs this fall but if you'd like a head start on scheduling a performance and working through the curriculum with your students, contact Melissa Locsin at The Rep at 367-7292.