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**ZACH Theatre Presents BECKY'S NEW CAR,  
A Revved-Up Comic Adventure Written and Directed by Steven Dietz**

Starring Lauren Lane of TV's *The Nanny* and ZACH's *The Clean House*

**WHO:** ZACH Theatre, Texas' longest running theatre company and Austin's leading professional theatre presents ...

**WHAT:** BECKY'S NEW CAR, a new comedy written and directed by Austin playwright Steven Dietz. An original comedy, BECKY'S NEW CAR tells the life-affirming story of an eccentric millionaire who offers Becky the keys to a brand new life. This romantic farce offers a fantastically funny exploration of class, wealth and selling out during Becky's wild ride though a clever twist of events. Huge laughs, hairpin plot turns and a story with the pedal to the metal is sure to delight Austin audiences and inspire them to live more fiercely. Buckle up!

BECKY'S NEW CAR was commissioned by Seattle arts funder Charlie Staadecker as a birthday present to his wife, Benita. The play was originally produced by ACT Theatre in Seattle, Washington, and has since played on stages coast to coast. Charlie and Benita are having a terrific ride with BECKY'S NEW CAR. They are flying to every opening of the play across the country (including Austin), seeing new incarnations of their "gift that keeps on giving," says Charlie. "This is the best return we've made on an investment in our lives."

**Lauren Lane**, star of TV's *The Nanny* and ZACH's *The Clean House*, will star in ZACH's production. "Lauren Lane is a gem," says Dietz. "She has that amazing mix of charm, poise and fire, and I jumped at the chance to cast her as Becky." ZACH's production also stars Lucien Douglas, Babs George, Sydney Andrews, Josh Meyer, Ben Prager and Chris Gibson.

Also, Becky isn't the only person getting a new car! ZACH is selling \$50 raffle tickets for a chance to win a \$50,000 credit at Mercedes-Benz of Austin. The drawing will be held at the final performance on July 11. To learn about the raffle and how to enter to win, visit <http://www.zachtheatre.org/donate/mercedes>.

**WHERE:** ZACH Theatre's Whisenhunt Stage  
1510 Toomey Rd. (Corner of Riverside Dr. and S. Lamar.)

**WHEN:** June 3, 2010 - July 11, 2010  
Wednesday-Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

**TICKETS:** Tickets range from \$20 to \$44. \$15 tickets are available to students starting one hour prior to curtain time. Charge tickets by phone at 512-476-0541, ext. 1 or visit <http://www.zachtheatre.org>.

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### **About ZACH Theatre**

Founded in 1933 and named for Austin reared actor Zachary Scott, ZACH Theatre is celebrated for producing innovative, dramatic, musical and comedic entertainment of the highest quality. As Texas' longest running theatre company and Austin's leading professional theatre, ZACH Theatre features the best and brightest talent from Austin and nationwide. Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Dave Steakley and Managing Director Elisabeth Challener, ZACH's unique productions and intimate theatre experiences have been recognized by the National Endowment for the Arts, The Shubert Foundation, *The New York Times* as well as numerous theatrical awards. ZACH serves over 170,000 Central Texas adults and youth each year at its artistic two-theatre home in the heart of Austin.

ZACH Theatre is also a leader in the Austin community, fostering artistic education, expression and development in children, teens and adults through a variety of outreach opportunities. ZACH's *Project Discovery* allows Central Texas elementary, middle and high school students to experience Mainstage shows at discounted prices. ZACH's *Performing Arts School* offers theatre classes to over 7,500 students of all ages, and *Project Interact*, ZACH's professional theatre for youth, tours Central Texas schools to perform live, interactive and original plays.

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