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**Special Programming at Circuit Productions in December 2009**

Brooklyn, New York, December 1, 2009 – Circuit Productions, Inc., announced today a special program of the *Tap and Jazz Masters* series in December featuring performances by: **Sarah McLawler, Emme Kemp, Fred Stanton, and Teddy Williams**. The *Tap and Jazz Masters Series* is aimed particularly at underserved youth and senior populations in Brooklyn and is presented in collaboration with Brooklyn public libraries, senior centers and health facilities including Hospital Audiences, Ind.

Performances scheduled as follows:

- ❖ **Wednesday, December 2, 2009:** Legendary jazz pianist/vocalist, **Sarah McLawler** will appear with saxophonist, **Fred Staton** – the 94 years young – veteran of the Harlem Blues and Jazz Band.
- ❖ **Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009:** The fabulous **Sarah McLawler** will present special solo performances.
- ❖ **Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> 2009:** Duo with **Sarah McLawler** (jazz pianist/vocalist) and **Teddy Williams** (Actor, Singer, Dancer). **Sarah McLawler** is one of the living legends of American jazz. Ms. McLawler is the composer, conductor and performer of her current all women's jazz ensemble--*Sarah McLawler and Les Femmes Jazz*. In her wide-ranging career, Sarah has worked with many of the greats in the business, including Dinah Washington, George Benson, Pearl Bailey, Nat King Cole, Dionne Warwick, Gloria Lynn, Max Roach, Milt Jackson, Errol Garner, Art Tatum and many, many more. Broadway veteran and choreographer, **Teddy Williams** has appeared on Broadway in *Hello Dolly! Pajama Game, The Happy Time and Within These Gates*. In addition he's appeared nationally and internationally in musical comedy festivals, theaters and as a celebrity on Australia's national television network.

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- ❖ **Tuesday, December 29, 2009:** Performance with singer and composer **Emme Kemp**. A piano prodigy at the age of three, **Emme Kemp** has accumulated a lifetime's musical experience, which she communicates in a variety of styles and media: from ragtime to Broadway to Jazz. She wrote music & lyrics for and acted with the first Broadway company of the hit musical *Bubbling Brown Sugar*. As a member of the military Ms. Kemp produced shows for Special Services stateside.
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#### **About Circuit Productions, Inc.**

Circuit Productions, Inc. was founded in 1986 as a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion, production and preservation of the uniquely American art forms of jazz and tap dance. Our mission is to inspire, entertain and educate underserved audiences in New York through performances, public classes, workshops, and arts education programs featuring senior artists of color who are living legends of the city's rich tap and jazz history. Annually, Circuit provides booking and management services for senior and emerging artists; placing performers in museums, public libraries, community-based organizations, local colleges, public schools, hospitals and nursing homes.

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