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Stephen W. Hawking

Stephen W. Hawking is one of the world's foremost theoretical physicists. His dramatic breakthroughs into the origin of the universe and the properties of black holes are among the most revolutionary insights into the nature of the cosmos since the work of Albert Einstein. Until stepping down last October, Hawking was the Lucasian Professor of Mathematics at Cambridge University, a post once held by Isaac Newton. To the wider public, Hawking is known for his uncanny ability to communicate complex theories in accessible language, notably through his book *A Brief History of Time*, which spent 237 weeks on the *London Sunday Times* bestseller list and sold more than 10 million copies worldwide. In presenting Professor Hawking the Presidential Medal of Freedom on August 12, 2009, President Barack Obama stated that "he's led us on a journey to the farthest and strangest reaches of the cosmos. In so doing, he has stirred our imagination and shown us the power of the human spirit here on Earth."

The World Science Festival

The World Science Festival, co-founded by Brian Greene and Tracy Day, is an unprecedented annual celebration of imagination, ingenuity and inventiveness, that takes science out of the laboratory and into the streets, theaters, museums, and public halls of New York City, making the esoteric understandable and the familiar fascinating.

The Festival's mission is to cultivate and sustain a general public informed by the content of science, inspired by its wonder, convinced of its value, and prepared to engage with its implications for the future.

Icarus at the Edge of Time

Commissioned and Co-produced by World Science Festival (New York) and Southbank Centre (London) with The Royal Society. Co-commissioned by Associazione Festival della Scienza with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and Glasgow's Concert Halls. Executive Producers: Gillian Moore, Southbank Centre, London in collaboration with The Royal Society; Tracy Day, World Science Festival, New York.

Gala Co-Chairs **Marilyn and Jim Simons** and **Ann Ziff** invite you to the

Opening Night Gala Performance of the 2010 World Science Festival Honoring Professor Stephen W. Hawking

Featuring a Performing Arts Salute to Science

Produced and Directed by **Damian Woetzel**

Starring **Alan Alda, Elizabeth Alexander, Danny Burstein, Eldar Djangirov, Todd Ellison, David Hallberg, Rebecca Luker, Yo-Yo Ma, Kelli O'Hara, Tiler Peck, Emalie Savoy, Young People's Chorus of New York City, Silk Road Ensemble** artists and special guests

And the World Premiere of *Icarus at the Edge of Time*

A mesmerizing musical tale of space, time and a journey to the very edge of understanding.

Based on the book by **Brian Greene**

Music by **Philip Glass**

Narrative adapted by **Brian Greene** and **David Henry Hwang**

Film created and directed by **Al and Al**

Performance by the **Orchestra of St. Luke's**

Conducted by **Brad Lubman**

Wednesday, June 2, 2010 Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center, New York

6 pm VIP Reception

7 pm Performance and Tribute

9 pm Gala Reception

Produced in collaboration with Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

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