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## PTE Congratulates Daniel Maclvor on receiving Canada's largest theatre prize

WINNIPEG, October 28, 2008 – Prairie Theatre Exchange is delighted to add its congratulations to Daniel Maclvor on receiving the largest and most prestigious theatre award in Canada. Last night in Toronto, Maclvor was awarded the \$100,000 Siminovitch Prize for Theatre for his body of work. Maclvor's play, *How It Works*, completes its highly praised run at Prairie Theatre Exchange this weekend.

***"Daniel is one of Canada's foremost theatre artists and he is very well deserving of this award. He has a wide range of excellent work from his intense one-man shows, to his plays like How It Works and Marion Bridge which focus on family. In all cases, he has a great talent at communicating with the audience on a level that is emotionally and intellectually satisfying,"*** says Artistic Director, Robert Metcalfe. ***"Daniel is a national treasure."***

***"In choosing Daniel Maclvor as the recipient of the 2008 Siminovitch Prize, the jury wanted to recognize the voice he gives through his plays to those for whom solitude provides a perception of the world through a different set of optics,"*** explained Leonard McHardy, Jury Chair for the award. ***"Daniel's playwriting brings to the stage moments in life for which there are no words, exploring those things that escape categorisation by language."***

When Daniel Maclvor was last at PTE as the special guest speaker for the 2008 Carol Shields Festival of New Works, he filmed a commercial about bringing his *How It Works* to PTE. The Global Winnipeg Citywatch can be seen on [www.pte.mb.ca](http://www.pte.mb.ca).

Tickets are still available for Maclvor's *How It Works* at PTE. The play runs until November 2. For show details and times or to buy tickets online, visit [www.pte.mb.ca](http://www.pte.mb.ca).

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