

## NEWS UPDATE ON JDPE'S *THE WITCHING HOUR*:

### Two prestigious awards received for *The Witching Hour*

The *Witching Hour* has recently been recognized regionally and nationally with Awards of Merit from the Connecticut League of History Organizations and the American Association for State and Local History.

The American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) announced in June that JDPP and CT Landmarks were the recipients of an AASLH Leadership in History Award. The AASLH Leadership in History Award, now in its 63rd year, is the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the preservation and interpretation of state and local history.



The Connecticut League of History Organization (CLHO) recognized JDPP and CT Landmarks for their creative partnership in creating and executing *The Witching Hour*. The awards are presented in recognition of outstanding contributions, in keeping with current professional standards, that enhance and further the knowledge and understanding of Connecticut history. The purpose of the Awards is to recognize the care, thought, and effort invested in these contributions and to inspire and encourage others by acknowledging exceptional contributions to state and local history.



### A special performance of *The Witching Hour* at "A Day of Witchcraft History" in Wethersfield

Last year *The Witching Hour* reached over 2000 general and student audiences and the piece was received with great acclaim. CT Landmarks this month presents JDPE performing excerpts from the *The Witching Hour* on Sunday, September 28 at 2:30 pm on the grounds of the 1711 Buttolph-Williams House in Wethersfield. The performance is part of "A Day of Witchcraft History" that will also include tours of the Buttolph-Williams House and a bus tour of Historic Wethersfield.

General admission for the day is \$15 and \$10 for Connecticut Landmarks' members. Reservations are recommended for the bus tour. The rain location for the event at the Wethersfield Historical Society just adjacent to the Buttolph-Williams House. For more information or to make reservations call 860.247.8996 ext. 23.

## Save the Date

### • April 2, 3, 4, 2009

JDPP' will kick off its 20th anniversary year with *Dreamings* premiering April 2, 3 & 4 2009 at the Charter Oak Cultural Center in Hartford, CT. This performance features the Judy Dworin Performance Ensemble joined by long-time singing collaborators Women of the Cross and community representatives in an intergenerational piece that looks at the way dreams provide bridges between the realms of absence and presence as experienced by those in prison or affected by incarceration. Developed from a residency at York Correctional Institution, *Dreamings* takes the power of JDPP's signature piece *Time In* one more big step — don't miss it!

