Dear Bond Street Theatre Friends and Family,

Once, while working in a refugee camp in Kosovo, a doctor confided to us:

“We are giving refugees the necessities for human survival – food, medicine, shelter – but you are providing them with food for the soul. You are restoring their humanity.”

In the face of global challenges, we at Bond Street Theatre have been undaunted in bringing uplifting theatre arts, hope and joy to communities around the world. Your generous support has helped to bring us to the most troubled regions. We ask that you please consider making a contribution to keep us thriving in 2011.

Here are some of the projects that your donations have made possible this year:

**AFGHANISTAN**  Our newest project brings crucial information to rural towns in Afghanistan where illiteracy is high: 90% for women, 63% for men. Over the next two years, we will create touring shows with 4 Afghan theatre groups and prepare a Training Manual for distribution. The Theatre for Social Development project marks our 10th year in Afghanistan! Read our stories from-the-field on our Blog: bondstreetblog.blogspot.com.

**BURMA**  This January, we continue working with the Burmese theatre group Thukhuma Khayethe. In May, we were invited as Cultural Envoys to Burma, and performed our Handwashing Show for 4,000 children in remote villages, jungles, and monastery schools.

**TURKEY**  The Shinbone Alley Stilt Band was a huge hit in cities all over Turkey! We entertained with great jazz on stilts, and have been invited back to bring our humanitarian work to Kurdish villages and Iraqi refugee camps in Eastern Turkey.

**HAITI**  Bond Street is answering the call for help in Haiti. We have been requested to address gender violence and other issues that followed the disaster that ravaged Haiti. Company members Anna Zastrow and Christina Pinnell are leading the project.

**NEW YORK**  Here in our remote village of Manhattan, we are creating a new show, Intersection, to be performed in public outdoor spaces with our new three-wheeled stilting vehicle. The performance depicts episodes from our world travels – so keep a look out for us as we tour our very own jungle!

Bond Street Theatre is the only company with over 20 years dedicated to creating arts-based humanitarian relief programs in some of the world’s most critical areas, while presenting theatre for peace through international cultural exchange.

Your donations help us continue to create innovative theatre that crosses borders, and bring our uplifting programs to those who most need it.

Thank you for your help!
Joanna, Michael, Lisa, Olivia, Anna, Christina and the entire Bond Street ensemble

P.S. Your gift of $100 provides a day of performances in Burma.
Your gift of $500 pays for one Bond Street member to fly to Haiti.
Your gift of $1,000 sends us to Afghanistan… so you don’t have to go!

Tanks a lot!