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United Nations Federal Credit Union Awards Bond Street Theatre

Bond Street Theatre Receives \$1,000 Grant from the United Nations Federal Credit Union for Humanitarian Work Around the World

New York, NY, November 28, 2012 - The [United Nations Federal Credit Union \(UNFCU\)](#) awarded [Bond Street Theatre](#) a donation of \$1,000 in November. The UNFCU reviewed the 1,300 NGOs in association with the United Nations Department of Public Information (UN-DPI), and chose to support eight. Bond Street Theatre is proud to be chosen for its global work.

The UNFCU told Bond Street staff, ***"We have learned about your programs through the UN Department of Public Information index and are most impressed with your work."***

The United Nations Federal Credit Union is dedicated to supporting the UN's Millennium Development Goal (MDG) efforts by donating to eight NGOs working in line with the MDGs. In the coming months, the 96,000 members of the UN-DPI will vote on a winner to receive an additional \$5,000 grant to support programming. The organization aims to increase the visibility of Bond Street Theatre's efforts to alleviate many of the world's youth, social, economic and health-related ills, and to empower marginalized populations using creative means.

Bond Street Theatre works to increase the capacity of women's theatre troupes in Afghanistan, including the creation of the ***first professional all-female theatre troupes in Kabul, Kandahar, and Jalalabad***. The company has also partnered with a Burmese theatre company to create relevant theatre that speaks to the changing political climate in Myanmar. In Haiti, the company works with a women's theatre troupe to create shows that spread crucial information about gender violence.

The United Nations Federal Credit Union, chartered in 1947, is a non-profit financial institution that serves the unique and dynamic needs of the staff of the United Nations, UN Specialized Agencies, retirees and their immediate family. Social and corporate responsibility is a main feature of the organization's work, UNFCU Board mandates, and the ethos of members around the globe.

For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Olivia Harris in New York City at 212-254-4614 or olivia@bondst.org.

Bond Street Theatre, founded in 1978, is dedicated to theatre that crosses borders and brings theatre to areas of conflict, crisis, and poverty. Bond Street Theatre has a long history of creating successful theatre projects that promote community development and local capacity-building, particularly in communities suffering from conflict, disaster, or poverty. Recipient of a MacArthur Award, the company receives governmental and foundation support, and has performed in major theatres and festivals worldwide.

Bond Street Theatre is a non-profit organization, and an NGO in association with the UN-DPI.

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[American Theatre](#) article about Burma: "Can
Laughter Set You Free?" by Michael McGuigan

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