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**Globe Guilders Host Annual Couture Fashion Show to
Raise Funds for The Old Globe**
'Celebrating Couture 2015' Presented by Globe Guilders and Neiman Marcus
Featuring Naeem Khan 2015 Fall Collection

SAN DIEGO, CA (May 2015)—On Tuesday, May 12, 2015, local Globe Guilders will raise funds for The Old Globe Theatre at their annual fashion show and luncheon, *Celebrating Couture 2015*, at the Hilton San Diego Bayfront Hotel. The fashion show will feature gowns and ready-to-wear styles by world-renowned couture designer Naeem Khan.

“Last year, the fashion show raised approximately \$130,000 to benefit the Globe’s education, artistic and community programs,” said Suzie Poet Turner, chairwoman of *Celebrating Couture 2015*. “Our elegant fashion show is in its 25th year, and it’s our largest fundraising event of the year. Naeem’s 2015 couture collection is dazzling and we hope this will draw our supporters and increase the amount we are able to donate to the Globe.”

For the seventh year, Mr. Khan’s celebrated couture line will grace the runway at this San Diego fashion show. The 2015 Fall Couture Collection is filled with vibrant colors, patterns and intricate beading on both day time outfits and elegant evening gowns. In describing his collection, Khan wrote in his notes at New York Fashion Week, “Naeem Khan Fall 2015 collection is for the modern woman who lives in a timeless world of classic beauty.”

Superstars and high-profile political figures, from Beyoncé Knowles, Taylor Swift and Penelope Cruz to First Lady Michelle Obama and Queen Noor of Jordan, have worn Khan’s designs. Other acclaimed couture designers previously featured at this fashion show are Carolina Herrera, Monique Lhuillier and the late Oscar de la Renta.

Neiman Marcus has supported and presented the ‘Celebrating Couture’ fashion show for nine years, through its Heart of Neiman Marcus Foundation. The Heart of Neiman Marcus Foundation is a national umbrella program that concentrates the store’s charitable efforts toward supporting arts experiences for youth. By partnering with local nonprofit organizations, Neiman Marcus strives to impact the lives of youth through enriching arts experiences in our local communities.

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Guests will enjoy a champagne reception, silent and live auctions, an opportunity drawing and a luncheon. This fashion show attracts more than 600 supporters of The Old Globe, including philanthropists, heads of corporations and representatives of major organizations. For more information, please visit: www.globeguilders.org/fashion-show.

Celebrating Couture 2015's Honorary Chair is Darlene Davies, The Old Globe Historian. Lead underwriters are Ann Davies, Audrey S. Geisel (Dr. Seuss Fund), Valerie and Harry Cooper, Peggy Matthews, Sheryl and Harvey White, Neiman Marcus, Giving Back Magazine, Ranch & Coast, and Sycuan Casino. In addition to this year marking the “Silver Anniversary’ of the annual fashion show, it is also the 60th Anniversary of the Globe Guilders and the 80th Anniversary of The Old Globe.

The Globe Guilders are a volunteer-based group who donate their talents and strengths to support the diverse programs at the Globe. With year-round programming on three stages and a strong presence throughout San Diego communities, The Old Globe Theatre is San Diego’s largest performing arts institution.

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****SPECIAL NOTE: Due to the sudden death of an immediate family member, Naeem Khan will be traveling to Mumbai, India to attend the funeral and will not be at this year’s fashion show. Available for interviews at the fashion show are Suzie Poet Turner, Globe Guilder and Fashion Show Chair; Barry Edelstein, artistic director, and Michael G. Murphy, managing director, of The Old Globe Theatre.**