

Universal Studios Japan™ to Unveil New Attraction "Fantastic World" in Mid-March 2008

——A moving and fantastic "gigantic musical fantasy" to be launched under the theme of "the connection (bond) and importance of life" ——

——FANTASTIC WORLD comes to life on a massive scale never seen before, made up of dynamic and energetic live performances on the stage of "the Earth" created by three giant mobile stages visually representing the Earth, Sky and Sea's natural elements——

December 20 (Thu), 2007

Universal Studios Japan will celebrate its seventh anniversary in the spring of 2008 thanks to all the support of our guests. To commemorate this special anniversary, a new attraction, "Fantastic World," will proudly open in mid-March 2008.

This new attraction, "Fantastic World," is a new "musical fantasy" which will be presented several times a day, 7days a week under the theme of "connection (bond) and importance of all lives on Earth." This is a story of the adventure of two white tiger cubs as they come to understand the meaning of "a seed of life," guided by nature and animals, and exploring the wonders of the world through artistically composed music and performers in unique, charming and exotic costumes. The performance will center on original giant mobile stages never seen before that will be designed and created based on the image of "a seed that produces life (a seed of life)." Guests who experience this attraction will undeniably sense the fascination and energy of the Earth and life and get immensely moved.

"Fantastic World" will be staged on the street in front of the popular attraction, "E.T. Adventure®," in the Hollywood Area where the three giant mobile stages will showcase close to 60 performers. Two of the stages are in the shape of a seed, while one stage in the center connects these two stages, spanning an area of approximately 13 meters high and 47 meters wide. LED screens built into the surface of the stages will display



360 degree images of the world in which we live, such as the sky, the sea and all its flora and fauna, representing "another Earth." The giant stages will open like a petal of a seed or the blossoming of a lotus

flower. The performers dressed up as animals such as leopards, monkeys, giraffes and deer will fill the three stages, carrying out specialized performances such as trapeze, sway pole, ribbon and other dynamic techniques. A blend of musical cultures from around the world ranging from African and American Indian to pop music, will powerfully convey the "connection and importance of life."

Comment from President Glenn Gumpel:

"We have decided to deliver "Fantastic World" on a scale unprecedented at any theme park to date. That is not a so-called ride nor an ordinary show. This new attraction, which will also mark our seventh anniversary, will deliver the "fantastic world" from giant sets, with top performers selected from around the globe performing in charming and exotic costumes to original music. I'm proud of introducing such an attraction. We hope all generations, from small children and young people to adults, will enjoy it as well as feel the joy, energy and importance of life and sense that "we are all together (You are not alone)," that is one of the key messages we would like to convey with this show. Last but not least, we will keep contributing to society through entertainment and delivering experiences full of "wonder" and "imagination."

* * *

At Universal Studios Japan, "Hollywood Dream – The Ride," a roller coaster offering new sensations that opened in March, and "Magical Oz-Go-Round," a large merry-go-round that opened in July, are experiencing great popularity. Universal Studios Japan is currently holding "Universal Wonder Christmas" <until January 6 (Sunday), 2008> as a seasonal event. Moreover, Universal Studios Japan will welcome guests between January 17 (Thursday) and March 2 (Sunday) of 2008 with the holding of "Universal Valentine."

"Peter Pan's Neverland," Universal Studios Japan's nighttime lagoon show that opened in April 2006, was awarded in the Event Spectacular category of the Thea Awards, which is recognized as the equivalent of the Oscars in the entertainment industry.