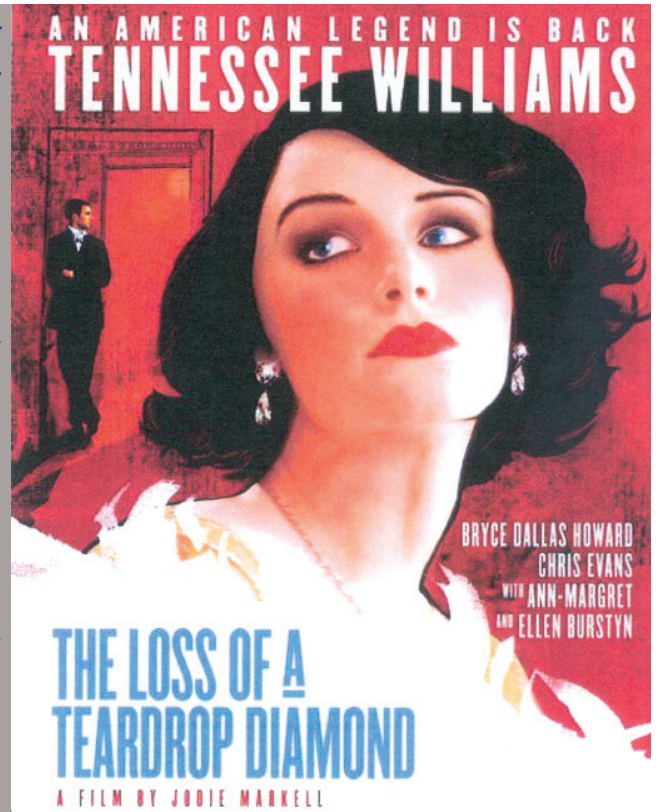


Welcome to the 18th celebration of America's great Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright who spent his childhood in Clarksdale & later transformed many of its sites and citizens into legendary settings and characters.

On historic front porch stages, *Brick*, *Blanche*, and *Baby Doll* still reflect Clarksdale's influence on this literary genius, and the reason for its selection by the U.S. Postal Service to host the Tennessee Williams postage stamp unveiling in 1995 and the BBC to air a documentary they recorded here in 2009.

The 2010 celebration centers on a screening of the movie, *The Loss of a Teardrop Diamond*, filmed in 2009 by Jodie Markell from the screenplay Tennessee wrote in 1957. Miss Markell will talk about her experiences during the filming and her lifelong interest in the playwright's works. Scholar panels, award-winning actors, live blues and gospel music, acting workshops, and gourmet Southern cuisine enrich the two-day celebration. It's free and open to the public. For more information, visit the website:

www.coahomacc.edu/twilliams



Clarksdale actress Sherry Williams as Amanda Wingfield outside the historic porch of Fran & Tom Ross.

Produced by Coahoma Community College since 1993, the festival is supported by grants from CCC, the Mississippi Arts Commission, the Mississippi Humanities Council, the Rock River Foundation, local businesses and patrons. The college awards \$3,000 in cash prizes to schools & winners of the student acting competition featuring monologues/ scenes from Williams dramas.