Welcome to the 18th celebration of America’s great Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright who spent his childhood in Clarksdale and 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:

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