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## ACTRESS PARKER POSEY HOSTS 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ECO-FASHION BENEFIT

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (August 18, 2008) - Parker Posey** will co-host the **4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Fashion Fights Poverty" (FFP)** fashion benefit on **September 26<sup>th</sup> in Washington, D.C.** This ethical fashion campaign highlights the role fashion plays in alleviating global poverty. Showcasing the work of both emerging and established designers who are committed to socially-responsible principles (such as fair trade, community development and the use of eco-sustainable materials) as well as development organizations which employ fashion, textile and artisan design as ways of combating poverty.

**Posey** and FOX 5 News Anchor **Will Thomas** will serve as Hosts for this high-profile charity fashion show, which benefits **NEST** ([www.buildnest.com](http://www.buildnest.com)), a nonprofit organization dedicated to changing the lives of women in developing countries. Nest supports women artists and artisans in the developing world by helping them create sustainable entrepreneurial businesses. To do this, Nest provides micro-credit loans to be used for the purchase of the supplies and materials necessary to begin and/or maintain art or craft-based businesses.

This spectacular annual event begins at 6:30 p.m. with a cocktail reception and silent auction, followed by a grandiose showcase and a blow out after-party at Lotus Lounge.

**Posey** is known best for her major motion picture roles in "You've Got Mail" and "Scream 3" and an extensive list of independent film. She has starred in almost 40 movies in her career decade, done a hand full of television show guest appearances ("Will & Grace"), and has managed to throw in some theater work along the way.

For tickets and more information visit [www.fashionfightspoverty.org](http://www.fashionfightspoverty.org)

### **Fashion Fights Poverty (FFP)**

The mission of Fashion Fights Poverty (FFP) is to raise awareness for initiatives that encourage and support creative, effective, and sustainable means of challenging global poverty. FFP provides a forum for dialogue and partnerships between development organizations, civic groups and the fashion community. FFP believes that the industries of fashion, textiles, and design offer unique and effective opportunities for designers, craftsmen and consumers alike to contribute to the alleviation of poverty through trade, skill building and community empowerment

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