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LEONIE FORBES TO GET MEXICAN AWARD

KINGSTON, March 20 (JIS):

Veteran Jamaican actress, Leonie Forbes, will be honoured with the medal: 'My Life in Theatre' by the Mexican Theatre Centre of the International Theatre Institute.

This medal will be presented to Miss Forbes at an official ceremony to be held in Xalapa, Veracruz on World Theatre Day, March 27, 2001.

As part of its celebrations for World Theatre Day, the Mexican Theatre Centre of the International Theatre Institute has decided to honour outstanding theatre personalities of Latin America and the Caribbean.

This is being done in an event dubbed: 'International Theatre Institute – UNESCO 21st Century Encounter'.

Miss Forbes, whose awards include the Institute of Jamaica's bronze and silver Musgrave and Centenary Medals as well as the Order of Distinction (Officer Class) by the Government of Jamaica, will travel to Mexico on March 24. She will be accompanied Michael Reckord, Journalist, who will represent the International Theatre Institute – Jamaica Centre.

Miss Forbes was selected through a process of consultation with national cultural institutions as well as representatives of the Jamaican theatre community.