The Phoenix Theatre Company Further Postpones 100th Season of Shows

(*April 28, 2020 – PHOENIX*) The Phoenix Theatre Company further postpones it's 100th season of shows to help arrest the spread of COVID-19. In March, The Phoenix Theatre Company made plans to reopen May 13 after the CDC set nationwide social distancing guidelines and Arizona Governor Doug Ducey issued a statewide "stay at home" order through April 30.

"Out of concern for the safety and health of our patrons, we've made the difficult decision to further postpone the rest of our current season," says Managing Director Vincent VanVleet. "but the fantastic shows we've been looking forward to aren't going anywhere. We'll be here when it's safe to gather again."

While its stages are dark, The Phoenix Theatre Company will continue to provide its programming virtually.

"To help us all stay in touch, we've launched a new, online-only show Behind the Curtain," says Producing Artistic Director Michael Barnard. "It brings us great joy to gather with our patrons and artists as we look for new ways to stay connected while we stay at home."

Streaming every Thursday at 7:30pm, every episode is a backstage pass to the magic of theatre. Behind the Curtain explores shows in The Phoenix Theatre Company's 20/21 season and its community programming initiatives. To RSVP, visit www.phoenixtheatre.com/behindthecurtain.

"We remain unshaken in the belief that theatre brings out the best in us, inspiring hope and understanding." Says Barnard. "And with the support of our steadfast patrons and a generous community, that mission will continue."

The Phoenix Theatre Company requests your patience as the team works diligently to reach out to all ticket holders to reschedule purchased tickets. We anticipate longer than average wait times. However, anyone with immediate concerns can call (602) 254-2151 or visit www.phoenixtheatre.com.

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ABOUT THE PHOENIX THEATRE COMPANY

The Phoenix Theatre Company is the largest professional regional theatre company in Arizona. As the first arts organization in Arizona and a founding member of the Central Arts District, The Phoenix Theatre Company is committed to advancing performing arts in the Valley with nearly 500 performances each year on multiple stages. Located at 1825 N. Central Ave in Phoenix, The Phoenix Theatre Company's mission is to create exceptional experiences by using the arts to articulate messages that inspire hope and understanding. The Phoenix Theatre Company is currently celebrating its 100th anniversary. For more information, visit www.phoenixtheatre.com.

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