

SCRIPT INDUSTRY POINT OF VIEW

# THE CALEB REESE FESTIVAL

## OF NEW PLAYS AND MUSICALS

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### The Caleb Reese Festival of New Plays and Musicals is the future of new American theatre!

This year's festival is a vibrant collaboration that includes a host of activities and events highlighting the incredible talent of playwrights, directors, composers, lyricists and actors from across the country. The lineup includes five staged readings of full-length plays, an evening of short plays, and two composer/lyricist cabarets. An audience talk-back accompanies every performance.

Phoenix Theatre is committed to the development of original works by new voices and perspectives. The Festival provides opportunities for playwrights, composers and lyricists to showcase their original works in their Pre-Broadway or Pre-Off Broadway stage of development.

It is only with the audience's help that The Caleb Reese Festival of New Plays and Musicals has ushered many new works into full-scale productions - you bring the stories to life!

The Caleb Reese Festival of New Plays and Musicals runs from May 5 through May 13, 2017. Individual tickets can be purchased for \$10 by calling 602.254.2151 or by visiting phoenixtheatre.com.

### ABOUT PHOENIX THEATRE

The largest producing regional theatre company in Arizona, Phoenix Theatre offers more programs and experiences than any other. With over 400 performances on multiple stages and thriving outreach programs, we inspire more than 100,000 citizens every year. Inextricably woven into the fabric of *Your City*, Phoenix Theatre is *Your Theatre*.

As a founding member of the Central Arts District, Phoenix Theatre is committed to advancing the performing arts in the Valley, and is recognized nationally as a professional regional theatre of exceptional quality. In this, our 97th season, we are producing eight remarkable productions on the Walton Stage of the Mainstage Theatre and in the intimate setting of the Hormel Theatre. In May, we will host our 19th Annual Festival of New Plays and Musicals presented by Caleb Reese; two weeks that foster the development of new and original work and contribute to the American theatre canon.

Offstage, we strive to give back to our community. The nationally recognized Pope Professional Apprenticeship program provides valuable on-the-job training to future arts leaders in areas of production. Our Partners That Heal program provides comfort and entertainment to children and families in healthcare and crisis facilities. Our experiential summer programming nurtures the performing artist inside each of us, promoting confidence and providing interactive theatrical and dance experiences for children, teens and adults.

Every show or service we provide is always measured against our mission – to create exceptional theatrical experiences by using the arts to articulate messages that inspire hope and understanding.

Welcome to Phoenix Theatre.

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