Join the Greatest Rock and Roll Jam Session in History

Million Dollar Quartet Coming for Encore Run at The Phoenix Theatre Company

(Oct. 29, 2019 – PHOENIX) When the paths of four rock and roll legends – Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins and Jerry Lee Lewis – cross, history and magic is made! Tony Award winning musical *Million Dollar Quartet* returns to The Phoenix Theatre Company to give audiences a rare, behind-the-scenes glimpse into one of the most legendary music experiences ever when Presley, Cash, Perkins and Lewis cut an impromptu record together at Sun Records Studios in Memphis, Tenn., in December 1956. The show runs Dec. 18, 2019 through Feb. 16, 2020.

"Million Dollar Quartet is really a tribute to these remarkable performers," said Scott Weinstein, director. "I want audiences to feel the surprise and excitement Presley, Cash, Perkins and Lewis felt that extraordinary day. They were discovering something unexpected right in the studio, and through this show, we get to discover the magic with them. When you get four big personalities in one room, they're going to butt heads. But that's exactly what makes this a great show – the drama is real and authentic, and you get to see that energy channeled into an incomparable record."

The spontaneous jam session is one of the great and nearly forgotten stories in rock history, but it changed the music scene forever. These artists were the biggest names of the day, at the top of their game, and they just happened to be in the same studio at the same time. That serendipity can be heard in the recording, and it gives the play a true sense of wonder.

Million Dollar Quartet is moving, emotional and funny. Plus, the production offers an incredible score of rock and roll, gospel, R&B, and country hits, including "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "Great Balls of Fire," and "Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On."

Tickets are on sale now and start at just \$32. To purchase by phone, call (602) 254-2151 or visit <u>www.phoenixtheatre.com</u>.

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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 <u>www.phoenixtheatre.com</u>.

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