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The Phoenix Theatre Company Presents the World Premiere of *We Ain't Ever Gonna Break Up: The Hymon & Parfunkel Musical*

(August 28, 2024 – PHOENIX) The Phoenix Theatre Company is thrilled to announce the world premiere of "*We Ain't Ever Gonna Break Up: The Hymon & Parfunkel Musical*," a side-splitting, toe-tapping, two-man show. This production runs from September 4, 2024, to November 3, 2024, at the Judith Hades Theatre.

Starring and written by the creative duo Gregg Hammer and Louis Pardo, and directed by Scott Weinstein, "*We Ain't Ever Gonna Break Up*" is a parody that lampoons the structure and sentimentality of iconic jukebox musicals. The show's success at the 2024 Festival of New American Theatre was just a taste of what's to come in this fully realized production.

The story follows Saul Hymon and Bart Parfunkel, showcasing their journey from obscurity to near superstardom. This musical is an exuberant blend of satire, music, and friendship, as the duo portrays not only themselves but a host of other characters encountered on their rocky road to fame.

"This musical is a love letter to the resilience of friendship and the highs and lows of showbiz," says director Scott Weinstein. "It's funny, it's touching, and it's everything we need right now."

With an infectious blend of tunes, storytelling and humor, this musical celebrates the bonds of found family and creative collaboration.

The cast for "*We Ain't Ever Gonna Break Up: The Hymon & Parfunkel Musical*" at The Phoenix Theatre Company includes Gregg Hammer* and Louis Pardo*. The understudy cast includes Josh Pike and Brady Wease*.

Tickets for "We Ain't Ever Gonna Break Up: The Hymon and Parfunkel Musical" are on sale now and start at \$59. To purchase, call (602) 254-2151 or visit www.phoenixtheatre.com.

ASL/Audio Describe Night

Audio Description and American Sign Language Interpretation are available for each production. ASL/Audio Describe Night for "We Ain't Ever Gonna Break Up: The Hymon and Parfunkel Musical" is Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 7:30 pm

**Denotes members of Actors' Equity Association, the union of professional actors and stage managers.*

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ABOUT THE PHOENIX THEATRE COMPANY

The Phoenix Theatre Company is not only the largest professional regional theatre company in the state, with nearly 500 performances each year on multiple stages, but it's also the first arts organization in Arizona and a founding member of the Central Arts District. Committed to advancing the performing arts in the Valley, The Phoenix Theatre Company's mission is to create exceptional theatrical experiences that inspire hope and understanding. For more information about our upcoming shows, outreach programs, and more, visit www.phoenixtheatre.com.