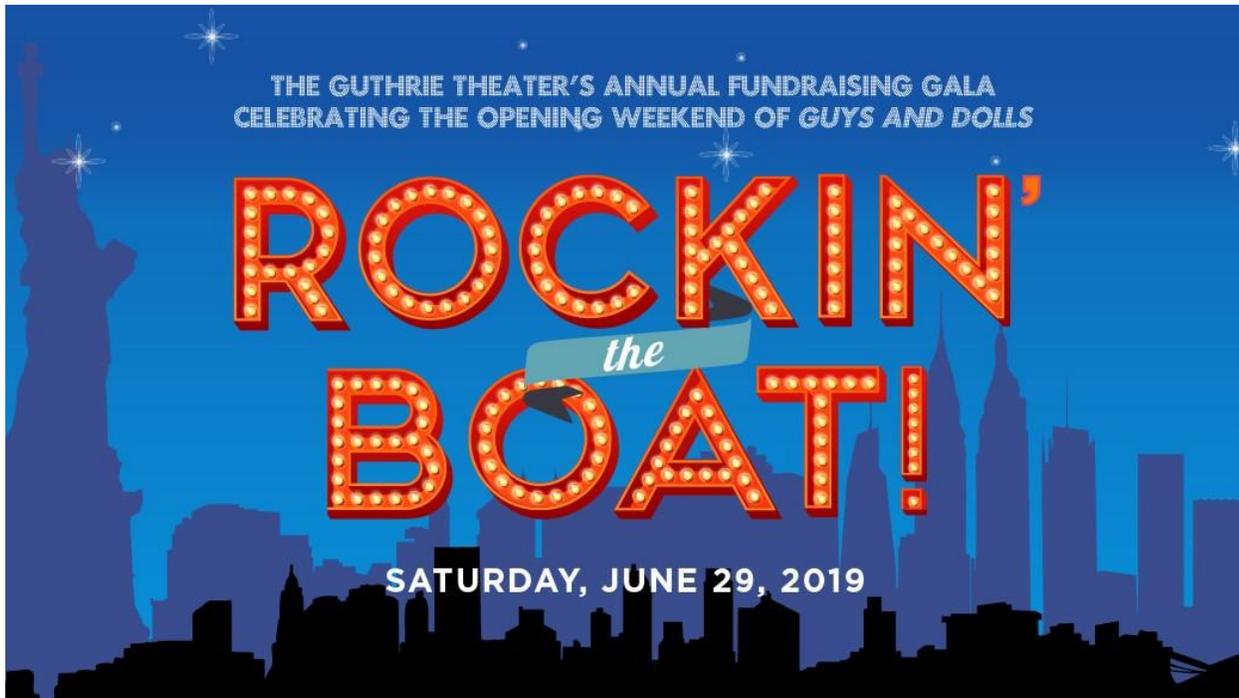




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**GUTHRIE THEATER TO HOST ROCKIN' THE BOAT!
A FUNDRAISING GALA TO CELEBRATE OPENING WEEKEND OF *GUYS AND DOLLS***

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019

Each gala ticket includes reserved seating at a black tie dinner, tickets to a performance of *Guys and Dolls* and entry to the Havana Nights After-Party

(*Minneapolis/St. Paul*) — On Saturday, June 29, the Guthrie Theater (Joseph Haj, artistic director) will host Rockin' the Boat! — a black tie fundraising gala celebrating the theater's summer musical, *Guys and Dolls*. Festivities begin at 4:30 p.m. with a cocktail hour and silent auction, followed by a seated gourmet dinner in the Guthrie scene shop and a performance of *Guys and Dolls* on the signature Wurtele Thrust Stage. All guests will be invited to join the dazzling Havana Nights After-Party in the Level One lobby to toast the show and dance the night away. Tickets to Rockin' the Boat! start at \$500 and may be purchased online at www.guthrietheater.org/gala or by calling 612.225.6160. Single tickets to the June 29 performance of *Guys and Dolls* start at \$58.

The Guthrie Theater is a 501(c)(3) organization. The annual gala is its largest fundraising event of the year that will support this season's education, access and community engagement programs. More than 400 guests will attend the dinner and more than 1,000 patrons will enjoy the night's performance of *Guys and Dolls*. The Guthrie is grateful for the support of the gala's Honorary Chair Wendy Nelson and Co-Chairs Karen Bachman and Wayne Zink, who are all Guthrie board members.

ROCKIN' THE BOAT! TICKET PACKAGES

VVIP Miss Adelaide Package – \$2,500 Single Ticket / \$25,000 Table for 10 Guests

Includes premium seating at the three-course gala dinner, prime seating for the performance of *Guys and Dolls*, an exclusive post-show meet-and-greet opportunity with members of the cast and entry to the Havana Nights After-Party.

VIP Sister Sarah Package – \$1,500 Single Ticket / \$15,000 Table for 10 Guests

Includes prominent seating at the three-course gala dinner, prominent seating for the performance of *Guys and Dolls* and entry to the Havana Nights After-Party.

Nicely Nicely Package – \$500 Single Ticket

Includes seating at the three-course gala dinner, balcony seating for the performance of *Guys and Dolls* and entry to the Havana Nights After-Party.

The Guthrie Theater thanks gala Co-Lead Sponsors Best Buy and U.S. Bank; VIP Sponsor Delta; Gold Sponsor Land O'Lakes; and Silver Sponsors Carlson Companies, Carlson Wagonlit Travel, Dorsey, Faegre Baker Daniels, Target, Travelers and Wells Fargo/Abbot Downing. The Guthrie is grateful for the additional support provided by the Minnesota Vikings.

ABOUT THE PRODUCTION

Guys and Dolls

A Musical Fable of Broadway
based on a story and characters of DAMON RUNYON
music and lyrics by FRANK LOESSER
book by JO SWERLING and ABE BURROWS
directed by KENT GASH
June 22 – August 25, 2019
Wurtele Thrust Stage

New York City's infamous gambler Nathan Detroit has set his sights on the biggest craps game of his career while Adelaide, his fiancée of 14 years, longs for a wedding. Master gambler Sky Masterson woos uptight missionary Sarah Brown despite the obvious problems inherent in their relationship. Gambling in luck and love from Times Square to Havana, this classic musical boasts colorful characters and a brassy score, featuring "Luck Be a Lady," "Sit Down, You're Rockin' the Boat" and "Adelaide's Lament." It's a surefire win.

THE GUTHRIE THEATER (Joseph Haj, artistic director) was founded by Sir Tyrone Guthrie in 1963 and is an American center for theater performance, production, education and professional training, dedicated to producing the great works of dramatic literature and cultivating the next generation of theater artists. Under Haj's leadership, the Guthrie is guided by four core values: Artistic Excellence; Community; Equity, Diversity and Inclusion; and

Fiscal Responsibility. The Guthrie produces a mix of classic and contemporary plays on three stages and continues to set a national standard for excellence in theatrical production and performance, serving nearly 400,000 patrons annually. In 2006, the Guthrie opened a new home, designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Jean Nouvel, located on the banks of the Mississippi River in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Open to the public year-round, it houses three state-of-the-art stages, production facilities, classrooms, full-service restaurants and dramatic public lobbies. guthrietheater.org

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