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GUTHRIE THEATER CANCELS REMAINING PERFORMANCES OF *TWELFTH NIGHT*, *THE BACCHAE* AND UPCOMING PERFORMANCES OF *CENTERPLAY*

(*Minneapolis/St. Paul*) — The Guthrie Theater (Joseph Haj, artistic director) today announced the difficult decision to cancel all remaining performances of *Twelfth Night* and *The Bacchae* as well as the upcoming performances of *CENTERPLAY*. After careful consideration and with the desire to ensure the health and safety of everyone who engages with the Guthrie, this proactive measure was taken in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

At this time, performances of *Emma* (April 11 – May 31) are expect to go on as scheduled, and the theater will continue to reevaluate that decision as more information about COVID-19 develops.

Additionally, the Guthrie building will remain open per standard hours. An internal task force is monitoring the situation with care, and will continue to follow the recommendations of key health organizations.

Current ticketholders are encouraged to wait to receive communication from the Guthrie which outlines a variety of options around exchanging, donating or returning tickets.

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 350,000 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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