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A CHRISTMAS CAROL

On Monday, September 24

Special VIP Walk-on Guests Include

TMJ4 Reporter Charles Benson, 88Nine Radio Milwaukee DJ Marcus Doucette, WISN Meteorologist Sally Severson and Jammin 98.3 DJ Andrea Williams



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Thursday, September 20, 2018- (Milwaukee, WI) For one day only, Monday, September 24, save up to 25% off of tickets to Milwaukee's favorite holiday tradition, A Christmas Carol, using promo code DICKENS. The Rep's hit A Christmas Carol adaptation, written by Artistic Director Mark Clements, is a tale of love, hope and redemption with just the right blend of beautiful music, lively dancing, stunning sets and eye-popping special effects. It is a dazzling Christmas feast with enough theatrical goodies to fill any sized stocking hung by the chimney with care. Tickets can be purchased online starting at 7am on Monday, September 24 at www.MilwaukeeRep.com, by calling The Rep's Ticket Office at starting at 9am 414-224-9490 or in-person at 108 East Wells Street in downtown Milwaukee to take advantage of this one day offer. A Christmas Carol runs November 27 – December 24, 2018 in the historic Pabst Theater.

Milwaukee Rep is pleased to announce four VIP walk- on guests to appear onstage in *A Christmas Carol* this holiday season. Each of the VIP walk-on will be fitted in period costumes, appear on stage during the second act as members of the cast, and in the grand finale. The Rep is thrilled to have this group of VIP walk-ons to help share the spirit of the season with Milwaukee audiences through being honorary cast members of *A Christmas Carol* with its timeless message of hope, peace, and love.

VIP Walk-on Schedule:

TMJ4 Reporter Charles Benson – Friday, December 7 at 7:30pm 88Nine Radio Milwaukee DJ Marcus Doucette – Wednesday, December 5 at 7pm WISN Meteorologist Sally Severson – Thursday, November 29 7:30pm Jammin 98.3 DJ Andrea Williams – Thursday, December 6 at 7:30pm Milwaukee Rep favorite Jonathan Wainwright (Of Mice of Men, A Christmas Carol), will reprise his role as Scrooge, portraying one of Dicken's most recognizable characters. The cast also features returning actors Jesse Bhamrah as Fred, Arya Daire as Belle, Todd Denning as Ghost of Christmas Present, Associate Artist Angela Iannone as Mrs. Fezziwig, Associate Artist Reese Madigan as Mr. Cratchit, Christopher Peltier as Young Scrooge, Rána Roman as Mrs. Cratchit, and Associate Artist Deborah Staples as the Ghost of Christmas Past. Rep Associate Artist James Pickering returns to A Christmas Carol for the first time since portraying the role of Scrooge for over 12 years as Mr. Fezziwig.

A Christmas Carol is directed by Leda Hoffmann (Black Pearl Sings!, Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill) and features music direction by Associate Artist Dan Kazemi, set design by Associate Artist Todd Edward Ivins, costume design by Alexander B. Tecoma, lighting design by Associate Artist Jeff Nellis, sound design by Barry G. Funderburg, original music score and music arranged by Associate Artist John Tanner, associate music direction by Kerry Bieneman, stage movement direction by Milwaukee Ballet's Michael Pink, and hair and make-up design by Lara Dalbey.

A Christmas Carol is presented by Wells Fargo and Jay Franke and David Herro with Executive Producers Anthony Petullo Foundation and Associate Producers Molly and Tom Duffey. The Media Sponsor is Milwaukee Journal Sentinel and Equipment Sponsor is Studio Gear.

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Milwaukee Rep is the largest performing arts organization in Wisconsin in terms of audiences served and one of the largest professional theaters in the country. Each year, The Rep welcomes up to 275,000 people at nearly 700 performances of 15 productions ranging from compelling dramas, powerful classics, new plays and full-scale musicals in its three unique performance venues – the Quadracci Powerhouse, Stiemke Studio and Stackner Cabaret. Now in its 65th Season, The Rep has gained a national reputation as an incubator of new work, an agent of community change and a forward-thinking provider of vital arts education programs. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Mark Clements and Executive Director Chad Bauman, Milwaukee Repertory Theater ignites positive change in the cultural, social, and economic vitality of its community by creating world-class theater experiences that entertain, provoke, and inspire meaningful dialogue among an audience representative of Milwaukee's rich diversity.