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EXCLUSIVE PARTNERSHIP Pasadena Playhouse and TodayTix Offer Unique Experience for Theatergoers –

COURTROOM SEATING

for the boldly reimagined

INHERIT THE WIND

by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee directed by Michael Michetti

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 to Sunday, November 26, 2023
Tickets available at todaytix.com

PASADENA, CA (October XX, 2023) — Danny Feldman, Producing Artistic Director of Pasadena Playhouse, the State Theater of California and recipient of the 2023 Regional Theatre Tony Award, announces an exclusive partnership between Pasadena Playhouse and TodayTix, offering a unique experience for audiences — Courtroom Seating for the Playhouse's fresh take on Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee's *Inherit the Wind* (November 1 to November 26) led by Alfred Molina (*The Father* at Pasadena Playhouse, *Frida*, *Spider-Man 2*) as Henry Drummond, John Douglas Thompson (*Till*, *The Gilded Age*, Tony Nomination for *Jitney*) as Matthew Harrison Brady, and Chris Perfetti (ABC's *Abbott Elementary*) as E.K. Hornbeck. The production is helmed by celebrated Los Angeles director Michael Michetti.

With **Courtroom Seating**, available in the **Onstage Gallery** or in the **Jury Box**, audience members will get to be part of the story. While these seats are part of the courtroom in *Inherit the Wind*, this is not an interactive play, so attendees will not be asked to participate in the action. It's all part of the magic of *Inherit the Wind*, and you won't want to miss out on this incredibly special theatrical experience!

Onstage Gallery Seating is available through the TodayTix website or via its mobile app and can be purchased in advance of attendance for \$30. These general admission tickets will be located onstage in the Courtroom Gallery, seated next to the actors in the middle of the action to witness the greatest trial of the century.

Jury Box Seating, located at the foot of the stage, will be available as a Lottery offering where patrons will have the chance to purchase specially priced \$20 tickets, exclusively available on TodayTix. To access the Lottery, audiences need to download the TodayTix app (for IOS or Android). The Lottery will be open for entries on Wednesday, Oct 11 at 10 am PDT for all dates. Winners will be announced between 11:00am–2:00pm PDT each Friday for the following week's performances and will have access to some of the most coveted seats to the show.

Via the TodayTix app, audiences will also have the ability to unlock Rush for a chance to access last-minute tickets at exclusive, great prices. Every performance day at 9:00 AM, a limited number of \$25 Rush tickets are released on a first-come, first-served basis.

Two of the nation's leading lawyers go head-to-head in the ultimate battle of wit, wisdom, and will in this powerful drama. With freedom of speech hanging in the balance, will this small-town courtroom bring us together or tear the nation apart? In a fresh production boldly reimagined for today, *Inherit the Wind* will make you rethink what you know and dare you to question just how much society has evolved. "Even more topical than half a century ago."-NEW YORK TIMES

The production features a cast of 17, including Abubakr Ali (Netflix's *Grendel*) as Bertram Cates, David Aaron Baker (Broadway's *A Raisin in the Sun*) as Reverend Jeremiah Brown, and Rachel Hilson (*Red, White & Royal Blue*; CBS' *The Good Wife*) as Rachel Brown.

The full cast is rounded out by Jared Bybee as Dunlap/Reporter/Radio Man, Brian Calì as Meeker/Photographer/Townsperson, Marlene Forte as Mrs. Brady, Matt Gomez Hidaka as Howard Blair, Thomas Hobson as Tom Davenport/Reporter, Michael Kostroff as Mayor/Reporter, John W. Lawson as Bannister/Reporter, Phillip J. Lewis as Sillers/Reporter, Gabriella Pizzigoni as Melinda Loomis, Rene Rivera as Judge/Reporter/Townsperson, and Pam Trotter as Mrs. Krebs.

The creative team includes Sara Ryung Clement (Costume Designer), Omar Madkour (Lighting Designer), Jeff Gardner (Sound Designer), Darryl Archibald (Vocal Arranger), Jeffrey Bernstein (Vocal Director), Miranda Johnson-Haddad (Dramaturg), and Casting by RBT Casting (Ryan Bernard Tymensky, CSA and Rose Bochner, CSA).

Inherit the Wind is made possible in part by the Pasadena Arts & Culture Commission and the City of Pasadena Cultural Affairs Division. Additional production support provided by The Sheri and Les Biller Family Foundation.

Tickets and information for *Inherit the Wind* are available at <u>pasadenaplayhouse.org</u>, by phone at 626-356-7529, and at the box office at 39 South El Molino Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101.

About TodayTix

TodayTix works with thousands of venues in cities across the globe to provide millions with access to theatre and culture's best. Via its highly-rated app, TodayTix not only offers tickets at exceptional prices, but also has signature access programs, Lottery and Rush, to provide access

to the hardest-to-find tickets to the hottest shows. Through industry-leading technology, innovative product design, unparalleled inventory, and frictionless experiences, TodayTix is offering audiences a ticketing experience unlike any other. TodayTix was designed to ensure people across the globe have frictionless access to the best theatre and culture have to offer. In other words, to find a seat for everyone. To learn more, visit www.todaytix.com or download TodayTix for iOS or Android.

About Pasadena Playhouse

Pasadena Playhouse, the official State Theater of California and recipient of the 2023 Regional Theatre Tony Award, is one of the most prolific theaters in the country. The Playhouse has staged thousands of original productions since its founding in 1917 including premieres of works by Tennessee Williams, Eugene O'Neill, Suzan Lori Parks and hundreds more. For decades, its pioneering School for Theater Arts was a training ground for actors and theatermakers who went on to make significant contributions to the entertainment industry. Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Danny Feldman since 2016, Pasadena Playhouse's productions and community programs are centered on its founding idea of being a living force in its community, making theater for everyone.

Calendar Listing for Inherit the Wind

Inherit the Wind By Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee

On Trial: The Right to Think

Venue: Pasadena Playhouse, 39 South El Molino Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101

Dates: Wednesday, November 1 to Sunday, November 26

Press opening Sunday, November 5 at 5:00 p.m.

Tickets: Prices start at \$20 on TodayTix and at \$35 on PasadenaPlayhouse.org

Online -- PasadenaPlayhouse.org

By phone at 626-356-7529

In person -- Pasadena Playhouse Box Office, located at 39 South El Molino

Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101

Performance Schedule: Wednesday-Friday evenings at 8:00 p.m.

Saturday at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m; Sunday at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

For full company bios visit https://www.pasadenaplayhouse.org/event/inherit-the-wind/#cast