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<u>THE MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD</u> SET FOR LIMITED RUN AT SACRED FOOLS THEATER SEVEN WEEKS ONLY!

PREVIEW PERFORMANCES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 14

Sacred Fools Theater has announced a new production of *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, with lower-priced preview performances beginning on Friday, September 14. The show will open on Friday, September 21 at 8pm and will play a limited engagement through Saturday, November 3.

Winner of five Tony Awards in 1986, including Best Musical, Best Book and Best Score, *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* is a musical comedy about a theatre company attempting to stage a musical comedy of the story Charles Dickens was writing when he died. Because the story was never finished, the mystery of who killed Edwin Drood is left to the audience to solve. Depending on the audience's voice votes, shows of hands and ballots, the last half-hour of the show changes at every performance. There are literally hundreds of possible endings. This production will feature a new song and an additional scene, recently added by Rupert Holmes.

The cast will feature (in alphabetical order), Chairman Barnes, Alexandra Billings, Brandon Clark, Kathi Copeland, Joe Fria, Harmony Goodman, Rachel Greene, Mary Guilliams, Ryan Hartman, Corey Klemow, Jeffrey Markle, Mary Sutherland, Natalie Taylor, Tim Thorn, Matthew Tyler and Brian Wallis.

Directed by Douglas Clayton, the design team for *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* includes Joel Daavid (set), Edward Marks (lighting), Adam Phalen (sound) and Susanne Klein (costumes). Musical direction is by Bill Newlin and choreography is by John Pennington. The production stage manager is Kristina Sepulveda. Producers are Sondra Mayer, Peter Kuo, Kristina Sepulveda and Douglas Clayton. Producing consultant for Sacred Fools Theater is Jenelle Riley.

The regular performance schedule is Friday and Saturday evenings at 8:00, with Sunday matinees at 2:00pm. Tickets for the preview performances on Friday 9/14, Saturday 9/15 and Thursday 9/20 at 8pm and Sunday 9/16 at 2pm are \$15, and admission for all regular performances (beginning Friday 9/28) is \$25. Tickets are on sale now and may be purchased by visiting the production's website at www.DroodinLA.com or by calling (310) 281-8337.

Sacred Fools Theater is located at 660 N. Heliotrope Avenue in Los Angeles.