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Next Installment of We The People, "Rights of Conscience," to Benefit Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción



Los Angeles, CA (October 8, 2017) Sacred Fools Theater Company is presenting the next installment of its ongoing theatre action *We The People* this Wednesday, October 10 at 8:00 pm. All proceeds will go to the organization Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción.

We The People is a bi-monthly, curated series of new works theatrically exploring – sometimes loudly, sometimes quietly, and everything in between – the concerns facing our country and world today.

In the months that followed the 2016 election, producers and creators of *We The People*, Kimberly Atkinson and Amir Levi, recognized an opportunity to meld art and activism.

"We both feel in a deep way that the community needs a place to artistically express their fear, their hope, their anger, and their ideas in the wake of so much political and social turmoil and we want their work to live past its single performance," explains Atkinson.

"We knew it had to be artistic activism that would raise awareness and connect people with other organizations that were making a difference," adds Levi.

About We The People

Every other month, artists will receive a prompt and a deadline. The short pieces will then be curated into a night of theatre. The prompt for this upcoming evening of *We The People* is "Rights of Conscience."

We The People Theatre Action has thus far connected the Sacred Fools' audience with incredible non-profit organizations fighting for social and political justice, equal rights and protection, sensible gun laws and equity in the judicial system. The first installment of We The People took place on September 11, 2017, packing the Broadwater's Black Box Theater to full capacity with the proceeds from the show going to Tanenbaum, a secular, non-sectarian nonprofit that combats religious prejudice all over the world. Subsequent sold-out installments benefitted CARECEN, the Central American Resource Center, Peace Over Violence, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, and the National Bail Out Collective. We The People was recently featured by Footlights here.

About The Participants

October's installment of *We The People* features premiere works based on the prompt 'Rights of Conscience,' written by Elin Hampton, Steve Harper, Joe Jordan, Joshua R. Lamont, Carene Rose Mekertichyan, Stacy Patterson, Michael Robinson and Brittney S. Wheeler.

The readings will be directed by Kimberly Atkinson, Amir Levi and Marianne Davis and performed by Emet L. Block, Adriana Colón, Altesa Baker, Kristyn Evelyn, Ace Ahmed, Corey Klemow, David LM McIntyre, Tifanie McQueen, Keiana Richàrd and Marie-Françoise Theodore.

About Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción

All proceeds for the October 10 event will go to <u>Mentes Puertorriqueñas en Acción</u>, a non-profit organization led for and by young professionals engaged in social change initiatives in Puerto Rico. MPA's Mission: "To empower a network of young change agents to generate effective and inclusive initiatives for Puerto Rico."

Open Submissions

We The People is always looking for new material and new participants. Submissions are open to the public and all are encouraged to contact the producers to find out how to participate. For more information, visit www.sacredfools.org and click on WE THE PEOPLE.

Also at Sacred Fools This Month - Resa Fantastiskt Mystisk, Serial Killers & More

Currently on the Broadwater Mainstage is Sacred Fools' Season 22 opener, the remounted co-production (with the Burglars of Hamm) of the award-winning *Resa Fantastiskt Mystisk*, with the long-running late-night show *Serial Killers* playing each Saturday night at 11:00 pm. A new ongoing show is launching the day after *We The People* called *League of Fools*, a press release is forthcoming over the next 48 hours. For more specific information on everything happening at Sacred Fools, visit www.sacredfools.org.

Quick Summary

WHAT: We The People Theatre Action

WHERE: The Broadwater Black Box, 6322 Santa Monica Blvd., LA CA 90038

WHEN: Wednesday, October 10 at 8:00 PM.

TICKETS: Donate-What-You-Can – Pay at the door, or reserve online and make a

donation at checkout.

Press RSVP: Publicity@sacredfools.org

Public RSVP: Reservations can be made by contacting sfreservations@sacredfools.org or

buy tickets online at www.sacredfools.org

MORE PRESS: Photos and more at www.sacredfools.org/publicity

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Sacred Fools Theater Company, the resident theater company of The Broadwater, 1078 Lillian Way (Santa Monica Blvd. and Lillian Way) on Theater Row, is a non-profit, ensemble-run theater company founded in 1997, committed to the development of new plays and projects that challenge traditional expectations of the theatrical experience. For more information about any of our programming or the company itself, contact us at publicity@sacredfools.org and visit www.sacredfools.org. For information regarding The Broadwater, please visit www.thebroadwaterla.com

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