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Asolo Rep and The C3 Project to be Featured in Sarasota Film Festival Documentary

WHAT:

Asolo Repertory Theatre and The C3 "Creativity, Collaboration and Culture" Project will be featured in a Sarasota Film Festival documentary. The film showcases how students from the Hershorin Schiff Community Day School and Visible Men Academy worked and came together last year through improvisation, spoken word and play.

Throughout a 12-week residency led by Asolo Rep Community Engagement Specialist Ria Cooper, 22 students from both schools explored personal identity and commonality through theater. Cooper met weekly with the students, all in grades 5-8, to facilitate dramatic arts activities to create a short play exploring themes of overcoming differences.

This C3 Project was funded by a nearly \$20,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, which also provided subsidized tickets for participants to a performance of Asolo Rep's 2018 production of *Ragtime*.

The film, which is just over 10 minutes long, was directed by filmmaker Tyler McCool and Ria Cooper.

WHEN:

Monday, April 8 at 8pm Friday, April 12 at 8pm

WHERE:

Monday, April 8 at 8pm at Sarasota Municipal Auditorium (801 N. Tamiami Tr., Sarasota)

Friday, April 12 at 8pm at Auditorium 3 of the Regal Hollywood Stadium 11 (1993 Main St., Sarasota)

HOW:

For more information about The C3 Project, contact Ria Cooper at 941.351.9010 or <u>ria_cooper@asolo.org</u>. To reserve tickets for a showtime of The C3 Project, go to the Sarasota Film Festival website: sarasotafilmfestival.com.

ABOUT ASOLO REP

Now in its 60th season, Asolo Repertory Theatre is recognized as one of the premier professional theatres in America and one of the largest in the Southeastern United States. One of the few select theatres in the nation that performs in true rotating repertory, Asolo Rep's highly skilled acting company and extensive craftsmanship bring to life this unique performance method that gives audiences the opportunity to see multiple productions in the span of a few days. Asolo Rep presents up to 10 productions each season including contemporary and classic works and provocative musical theatre experiences. A theatre district in and of itself, Asolo Rep is committed to expanding its reach into the community, furthering its collaboration with the best theatre artists working in the industry today and cultivating new artists through its affiliation with the FSU/Asolo Conservatory for Actor Training. Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Michael Donald Edwards and Managing Director Linda DiGabriele, Asolo Rep's ambitious theatrical offerings and ground-breaking education and community programming engage audiences and ensure its lasting legacy for future generations. www.asolorep.org

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