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#### ASOLO REP PROUDLY ANNOUNCES COMPLETE CASTING FOR 2017-18 REPERTORY SEASON

**(SARASOTA, January 8, 2018)** — Asolo Rep, one of the few theaters in the country to perform in true rotating repertory, proudly announces the complete acting company for its 2017-18 rep season. The season, which kicks off Asolo Rep's "Staging Our World" initiative, features *Shakespeare in Love* (January 10 - March 28, directed by Rachel Rockwell); *Morning After Grace* (January 17 - March 4, directed by Peter Amster); *Rhinoceros* (February 7 - April 14, directed by Frank Galati); and *Roe* (March 14 - April 15, Directed by Lavina Jadhwani).

# 2017-18 Rep Season Cast

	Shakespeare in Love	Morning After Grace	Rhinoceros	ROE
DAVID ALAN ANDERSON*		Ollie		
MICHELLE ARAVENA*				Ofelia/Connie Gonzalez
TRACY MICHELLE ARNOLD*				Molly/Mary/Ensemble
DUSTIN BABIN	Robin/Ensemble		Townsperson	
ANDREW BOSWORTH	Frees/Ensemble		Waiter	
DAVID BREITBARTH*	Burbage		Berenger	
JORDAN BROWN*	Will Shakespeare			Henry McCluskey/ Robert Flowers/Abortion Doctor Ensemble
NATE BURGER*	Ned Alleyn			Ron Weddington/Flip Benham/ Floyd/Ensemble
CHRISTOPHER CARLSON	Sam/Ensemble		Townsperson	
BRANDON DAHLQUIST*	Wessex		Botard	
MATT DeCARO*	Tilney/Sir Robert de Lesseps		Gene	
MARY ELLEN EVERETT	Kate/Ensemble			Helen/Pregnant Woman 2/ Ronda/Ensemble
ANTHONY J. HAMILTON≠	Ralph/Ensemble		Townsperson	
AMY HELMS	Ensemble		Housewife	
NOLAN FITZGERALD HENNELLY	Nol/Ensemble		Townsperson	
ALEKSANDR KRAPIVKIN	Valentine/Ensemble			
COLLEEN LAFEBER	Mistress Quickly/Ensemble			Linda Coffee/Judy/ Pregnant Woman 1/Ensemble
AMBER LAGEMAN	Ensemble		Townsperson	
DAVID LIVELY*	Fennyman			Doctor Kennedy/Henry Wade/ Justice Blackmun/Ensemble
MATTHEW McGEE*	Lambert/Wabash		Café Owner/ Mr. Papillon	
MATT MUELLER*	Kit Marlowe		Dudard	
PEGGY ROEDER*	Queen Elizabeth		Mrs. Boeuf	
LAURA ROOK*	Viola de Lesseps		Daisy	
ADDISON RUSCOE	John Webster			
CATHERINE SMITKO*	Nurse	Abigail		
GIORDANA SPAGNALO				Melissa/Emily
KEDREN SPENCER≠	Molly/Ensemble			Aileen/Barbara/Uma/ Pregnant Woman 3/Ensemble
BRI SUDIA*				Sarah Weddington
WES TOLMAN	Adam/Ensemble			
JADE TURNER				Roxy
TERRI WEAGANT*				Norma McCorvey
JACK WETHERALL*	Henslowe	Angus		
REX WILLIS	Musician			

\* Members of Actors' Equity Association, the Union of Professional Actors and Stage Managers in the United States. ≠ Appears courtesy of Actors' Equity Association

## TICKETS

To purchase tickets, call 941.351.8000 or 800.361.8388, visit <u>www.asolorep.org</u>, or visit the Asolo Repertory Theatre Box Office, located in the lobby of the theatre. Asolo Repertory Theatre is located at 5555 North Tamiami Trail in the Florida State University Center for the Performing Arts.

The Box Office is open Monday 10am – 5pm, Tuesday – Thursday 10am - 7:30pm, Friday – Saturday 10am – 8pm, and Sunday 10am – 2pm. The box office closes at 5pm when there are no evening performances and phone lines close one hour prior to the start of any performance. Season subscription packages are also available online and by visiting or calling the box office.

#### **SPONSORS**

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## **About Asolo Repertory Theatre**

Now in its 59th 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.

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