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**THE HENEGAR CENTER ANNOUNCES THE CASTING  
FOR THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME**

(Melbourne, FL) - The Henegar Center announces cast for the Brevard premiere of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*.

Continuing on the main stage for the 2016-2017 season at The Henegar Center, Artistic Director Hank Rion announces the cast of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* by Book by Peter Parnell; Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz; Music by Alan Menken. **Friday, March 10, 2017 through Sunday, March 26, 2017 on The Henegar Center main stage.**

The Henegar Center (Hank Rion, Artistic Director) announced casting for *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, a musical. Under the direction of Hank Rion, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* will play March 10 - 26, 2017 on The Henegar Center main stage. Single tickets start at \$26 for adults, \$16 for students/seniors, and are on sale at the Box Office at 321.723.8698 and online at [www.henegar.org](http://www.henegar.org). There is a \$3 handling fee assessed online and in person.

Based on the Disney animated movie and inspired by the novel of the same name, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* is a darker adaptation of the film by Alan Menken and Stephen Schwartz. The musical opened at La Jolla Playhouse on October 26, 2014 and subsequently opened at the Paper Mill Playhouse the following year. The show dials back the comedic features to embrace the novel's gothic tone. Despite being presented with the challenge of balancing the dark themes with the expected Disney magic, the production received astounding praise from reviews seen in *The New York Times* and *Playbill.com*.

The Henegar Center is the fourth theatre boasting the rights to the magical Disney show. "We are very honored to be chosen by Disney Theatricals and MTI to produce this thrilling musical," Rion said. "While the show is a little darker in tone than the movie, the show's message is for everyone." The original text written by Victor Hugo in 1831 is echoed in the storyline and the songs, along with new music by the original composers, are used from the Disney movie.

Casting for *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* includes **Dillon Giles** (Henegar: *Big Fish*, *Nice Work If You Can Get It*, *The Wizard of Oz*) as Quasimodo, **Amanda Manis** (Henegar: *Nice Work If You Can Get It*, *Memphis*) as Esmeralda, **Damon Dennin** (Henegar: *The Witches of Eastwick*, *Hand to God*, *Big Fish*) as Claude Frollo, and **Richard Klenotich** (Henegar: *The Witches of Eastwick*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Cry-Baby*) as Jehan Frollo. Additionally, **Lindsay Nantz** as Florika, **Rob Landers** as Father Dupin, **Dominic del Brocco** as Clopin Trouillefou, and **Joe Horton** as Captain Phoebus de Martin.

The creative team for *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* includes **David Robertson** (Set Design), **Josh Huss** (Lighting Design), **Vanessa Glenn** (Costume Design), **Thom Restivo** (Sound Design), **Nathan Dobson** (Stage Manager), and **Steve Rossi** (Technical Director).

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Interviews are available with the cast and/or director based on availability. Production photos are available upon request.