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THE HENEGAR CENTER ANNOUNCES THE CASTING FOR THE WITHCES OF EASTWICK

The Henegar Center has rescheduled the opening for *The Witches of Eastwick*. The show will open Friday, October 21 and run through October 30.

<u>Updated performance schedule as follows</u>:

Friday, October 21 – 8:00 PM Saturday, October 22 – 8:00 PM Sunday, October 23 – 2:00 PM Friday, October 28 – 8:00 PM Saturday, October 29 – 2:00 PM & 8:00 PM Sunday, October 30 - 2:00 PM & 8:00 PM

Opening the Main Stage Series at The Henegar Center, Artistic Director Hank Rion announces the cast of *The Witches of Eastwick* by a musical comedy by John Dempsey and Dana P. Rowe. Based on the novel by John Updike and The Warner Bros. Motion Picture. Book and Lyrics by John Dempsey, Music by Dana P. Rowe. **Beginning Friday, October 21; Playing through Sunday, October 30, 2016 on The Henegar Center main stage.**

(Melbourne, FL) — The Henegar Center (Hank Rion, Artistic Director) announced casting for *The Witches of Eastwick*, a musical comedy. Under the direction of Hank Rion, *The Witches of Eastwick* will play October 21 - 30, 2016 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. Please note: This production is rated PG-13.

Based on the cult film of the same name, along with the famous John Updike novel, *The Witches of Eastwick* is a witty musical by John Dempsey and Dana P. Rowe. The show opened in London at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane in 2000 and was produced by Cameron Mackintosh. The show follows the plot of the film quiet closely, as three women from a conservative American town conjure up the devil to help them with their various problems. As Darryl Van Horne begins to woo the inhabitants of Eastwick, the women begin to let themselves go and attract negative attention.

The Henegar Center will offer talkbacks with the director and cast following the Saturday evening performances, October 29, 2016. Rion said, "The focus of the show helps to bring to light the importance of self-awareness. Find strength in yourself first." Rion sees Darryl Van Horne as a modern day Harold Hill. "He blows into this town and changes everything – for the good." Rion focuses on the empowerment of these women. His work with the *Cry-Baby* team has led to this opportunity with *The Witches of Eastwick*.

Casting for *The Witches of Eastwick* includes **Damon Dennin** (Henegar: *Big Fish, Hand to God*) as Darryl Van Horne, **Beth McKenzie** (Henegar: Debut) as Alexandra Spofford, **MC Wouters** (Henegar: *Nice Work If You Can Get It, Big Fish, The Addams Family*) as Jane Smart, and **Sarabeth Dawson** (Henegar: Debut) as Sukie Rougemont. Additionally, **Shane Frampton** as Felicia Gabriel, **Rob Landers** as Clyde Gabriel, **Karis Assam** as Claire, **Richard Klenotich** as Michael Spofford, **Bella Roher** as Jennifer Gabriel and **Dion Kahn** as Fidel. cast various other roles include Shara Kyles, David Hill, Erin Frank, Rodney Savickas, Juliann Whipple, Caitlin Reppert, Chase Walker, Mark Browning, Megan Campbell, Walter Clapp, Connie Browning, Diana Hofbauer, and Chelsea Morgan.

The creative team for *Hand to God* includes **Brighid Reppert** (Set Design), **Josh Huss** (Lighting Design), **Thom Restivo** (Sound Design), **Elizabeth Wilson** (Stage Manager) and Steve Rossi (Technical Director).

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