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## "Students, Lend Me Your Ears" THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS "JULIUS CAESAR" AS A

## JM FAMILY ENTERPRISES SMART STAGE MATINEE

**FORT LAUDERDALE** – The Broward Center for the Performing Arts presents an energetic and contemporary staging of *Julius Caesar* in the Amaturo Theater as a JM Family Enterprises Smart Stage Matinee on **Monday, October 9 at 10 a.m.** 

Shakespeare's original language comes alive in a ruthless story which examines personal responsibility against the backdrop of great political consequences. This fast-paced adaptation is recommended for grades 8–12 and provides students with the opportunity to ask how the greater good is weighted against advice of friends, the roar of public opinion, strategic advantages and personal cost as well as one's moral compass.

The production is staged by Florida State University/Asolo Conservatory for Actor Training, a three-year graduate program culminating in a Master of Fine Arts degree. Only twelve students are chosen each year from the thousands who audition nationwide to work in a program that combines rigorous classroom training with guest artist workshops and professional production experience. Graduates of the program have appeared on and off Broadway, in regional theatres, in feature films and on television.

JM Family Enterprises Smart Stage Matinees offer literature-based shows that promote reading skills and S.T.E.A.M. (Science Technology Engineering Arts Math) to make challenging concepts accessible to younger learners.

Tickets are \$7.20 with \$3 lap seats for infants 12 months and under. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at <a href="mailto:BrowardCenter.org">BrowardCenter.org</a> or <a href="mailto:Ticketmaster.com">Ticketmaster.com</a>; by phone at 954.462.0222 or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets.

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale.

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One of America's premier performing arts venues, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts presents more than 700 performances each year to more than 700,000 patrons, showcasing a wide range of exciting cultural programming and events. Guest experiences at the Broward Center include the all-inclusive LATAM AIRLINES CLUB LEVEL, spectacular riverfront views for special events in the Huizenga Pavilion, waterfront dining at Marti's New River Bistro and innovative classes and workshops for all ages at the Rose Miniaci Arts Education Center. With one of the largest arts-in-education programs in the United States, the Broward Center serves more than 150,000 students annually. The Broward Performing Arts Foundation, Inc. receives and maintains funds to sustain, develop and secure the future of the Broward Center. The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Ave. in Fort Lauderdale. For more information, visit BrowardCenter.org.

The Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment Consortium is a cultural partnership between the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Bonnet House Museum & Gardens, NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale, Florida Grand Opera, Fort Lauderdale History Center and the Historic Stranahan House Museum. It is supported by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau. Programs are sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Council on Arts and Culture.

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