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SLOW BURN THEATRE SWINGS INTO NEW SEASON WITH "TARZAN THE STAGE MUSICAL" AT THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

FORT LAUDERDALE – Slow Burn Theatre Company opens its 2017-18 season at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts with *Tarzan The Stage Musical* from **Thursday, October 19–Sunday, November 5.**

Based on Disney's epic animated musical adventure and Edgar Rice Burrough's *Tarzan of the Apes*, the musical features heart-pumping music by rock legend Phil Collins and book by Tony Award®-winning playwright David Henry Hwang.

High-flying excitement and hits including the Academy® Award-winning "You'll Be in My Heart," as well as "Son of Man" and "Two Worlds" tell the story known the world over of the orphaned boy raised by gorillas who grows up to encounter creatures like himself for the first time, only to have his animal upbringing clash with his human instincts.

Natale Pirrotta and Lindsey Corey are featured as Tarzan and Jane in a cast which includes Darius J. Manuel, Shonda Thurman, Dante' Murray, Michael Kreutz, Michael Cartwright, Christopher Alvarez, Thomas Porat and Christo Joseph Amygdalitsis as the young Tarzan. A ten-member ensemble rounds out the cast to deliver an unforgettable theatrical experience.

Tarzan The Stage Musical is directed and choreographed by Slow Burn Theatre Artistic Director Patrick Fitzwater who leads the creative team of music director Eric Alsford, scenic designer Michael McClain, costume designer Rick Pena, lighting designer Tom Schorrock and sound designer Rich Szczublewski.

The musical was originally produced on Broadway by Disney Theatrical Productions. TARZAN® is owned by Edgar Rice Burroughs, Inc. Slow Burn Theatre Company's production of *Tarzan The Stage Musical* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

Performances are Thursday–Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. with a matinee on Wednesday, October 25 at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$47–\$60.

The Broward Center will also present a sensory-friendly performance of *Tarzan The Stage Musical* on Saturday, October 28 at 1:00 p.m. The adaptive production is specially designed for individuals with sensory processing and autism spectrum disorders and will include special seating arrangements, precurtain preparatory activities, modifications to stage and auditorium lighting, lower sound volumes and the use of noise-cancelling devices as well as the availability of a quiet room for those experiencing sensory overload. Tickets to the special performance are \$15.

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at BrowardCenter.org or Ticketmaster.com; by phone at 954.462.0222 or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office.

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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