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Paramount Arts Center Presents Princess Diana: The Musical

Ashland, KY – September 13, 2017 - 2017 marks the 20th Anniversary of the death of Princess Diana – one of the most known and loved members of the British royal family. Written by Karen Sokolof Javitch and Elaine Jabenis, this musical presents a look at the life of the Princess of Wales. Beginning with the day Diana met Prince Charles at his birthday party, the play follows their courtship, marriage, divorce and ends with her death in a tragic car accident.

Princess Diana will be presented by the Paramount Players. The Players were one of fifteen theatres in the United States that were given a grant to produce the musical this year to commemorate the anniversary of her death. The performance is directed by Melanie Cornelison-Jannotta with musical direction by Mark Smith. The cast features Taylor Isaacs as Princess Diana, Shawn Wilson as Prince Charles, Sarah Brehm as the Queen, Elizabeth Hensley as the Queen Mum, Alexandra Wilson as Princess Fergie and Hannah Holbrook as Camilla Parker Bowles. The ensemble includes Abbigail Coffman, Heather Myers, Katie Lewis, Caleb Conroy, Hattie Killen, Hailey Browning, Andrew Edwards, Gary Morgan, Rob O'Lynn, Sydni Pierce, Vinessa Fressola, Austin Muncy, Sarena Johnson, Rick Payne, Darla Zeller, Mason Furst and Colton Sparks.

A performance will be held on Friday, September 22 at 9:30 am for local schools, home school groups or other groups and there will be a 7:30 pm performance on Saturday, September 23. Tickets to the evening performance are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students. Final ticket price will include a \$1 historic restoration fee per ticket. Tickets are \$2 more if purchased the day of show.

Tickets are available online at www.paramountartscenter.com, at the box office located at 1300 Winchester Avenue in Ashland, KY or by calling 606-324-0007.

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