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Managing Director Guy Gsell resigns from Two River Theater Company

Red Bank, NJ – Two River Theater Company announces the resignation of Managing Director **Guy Gsell**. “Guy transformed the work, the daily demands, and the grinding pace into a joy. He led us and charmed us and lightened our labor with his wit and wisdom and sense of humor that nourished each member of our staff. His intelligence blossomed again and again with his writings and speeches and his music,” says **Robert Rechnitz**, TRTC Founder and Executive Producer. “As our Managing Director these past six years, Guy guided each of our days because he held a vision of what we might become, a vision fashioned by his love of theater, by his understanding of its human value, and empowered by his inexhaustible energy, his commitment to work and his managerial skills. I enjoyed, treasured him as a friend, as a leader, as a person of great talents of all kinds. I and TRTC will deeply miss him.”

Artistic Director **Aaron Posner** echoes Rechnitz’s sentiments, “Guy is a smart, dynamic, insightful arts administrator who truly believes in the art he is helping to create and facilitate. He has been an invaluable part of the growth and success of this theater and he has been a tremendous partner to me during my time at Two River Theater Company. While I am sorry to see him go, I can’t help but be pleased for him as he looks forward to exciting new opportunities and challenges. We will all miss him.”

Gsell will be taking the position of Associate General Manager with Running Subway, a New York-based entertainment production company. Running Subway conceptualizes, produces, markets and manages iconic productions and exhibits. Since their founding in 2004, the company has staged a number of successful shows and exhibits combining traditional entertainment with innovative technology, including *Dr. Seuss’s How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* on Broadway, *Bodies... The Exhibition* at the South Street Seaport, and the pioneering run of *Sinatra* at the London Palladium.

“I have loved every minute of my time at Two River Theater,” says Gsell. “From day one, I have admired Bob Rechnitz’s vision and his commitment to artistic excellence, and I continue to marvel at Aaron Posner’s ability to deliver theater of the highest caliber to our audience. I am proud of the work we’ve done here over the last six years, and I look forward to watching my old friends create great art from the audience.” Of his new position Gsell says, “There isn’t a more high-energy, creative team of producers in New York. Running Subway is constantly breaking new ground and finding new ways to provide audiences with unique and unforgettable experiences. I can’t wait to get started.”

Two River Theater Company's board of trustees will launch a national search for Gsell's replacement.

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TWO RIVER THEATER COMPANY is a professional not-for-profit regional theater company, providing outstanding plays and educational programs for audiences of central New Jersey and beyond. TRTC was founded in 1994 by Robert and Joan Rechnitz as Monmouth County's first professional regional theater in 30 years, and over the past 13 seasons has grown into one of the most vital and dynamic arts organizations in the region. Since opening its new theater in May of 2005, TRTC has hosted a number of luminaries and award winners, including Bruce Springsteen, Olympia Dukakis, Jackson Browne, Jon Bon Jovi, Edward Albee, and Sheldon Harnick. In 2006, the company received "Theatre of the Year" awards from both *The Star-Ledger* and the New Jersey Theatre Alliance. TRTC is supported in part by grants from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept. of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, and contributions from hundreds of local and national corporations, foundations, businesses and individuals. Continental Airlines is TRTC's official airline. Two River Theater Company is a member of Theatre Communications Group and the New Jersey Theatre Alliance.