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Two River Theater and The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey partner to offer a package of two of Noël Coward's funniest comedies

Purchase discount tickets for both productions—starting at the low price of only \$75—and see Present Laugher at Two River and Fallen Angels at The Shakespeare Theatre

The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey and Two River Theater announce a unique partnership celebrating two of Noël Coward's delightful comedies being presented this spring at their respective theatres. With the two companies collaborating and promoting each other's productions, patrons can purchase discount tickets to see both comedies by contacting the box office at either theater. For the low price of \$75 for Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evenings or Saturday matinees, patrons will receive a ticket to see *Present Laughter* at Two River Theater in Red Bank and *Fallen Angels* at The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey in Madison. For the discounted price of \$90, patrons may attend a Friday or Saturday evening or Sunday matinee of both shows.

This unprecedented offer provides New Jersey theatregoers with the rare opportunity to see two great plays by Coward, one of the foremost masters of wit and high style comedy in theatre history. To reach the Two River Theater box office, call 732-345-1400 or visit TRTC.org. For The Shakespeare Theatre box office, call 973-408-5600 or visit ShakespeareNJ.org.

"Two River Theater is very pleased to join with our colleagues at The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey to make this ticket package available," Managing Director Michael Hurst noted. "Opportunities to draw organizations from across the state into partnerships like this one serve both artists and audiences."

"That two comedies by the genius Noël Coward are being produced in New Jersey back to back is exciting. That our two theaters are joining forces in an unprecedented partnership that makes

it possible for patrons to buy tickets to both shows at either box office at a discounted price is tremendous," said Rick Engler, Director of Marketing at The Shakespeare Theatre.

Two River Theater's production of *Present Laughter* begins performances on June 1 and continues through June 23, 2013. To reach the Two River Theatre box office, call 732-345-1400.

The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey's production of *Fallen Angels* runs from July 3 through July 28, 2013. To reach The Shakespeare Theatre box office, call 973-408-5600.

About the Plays

Present Laughter directed by David Lee

In 1930s London, Garry Essendine, a debonair matinee idol, is one of the world's most famous actors. Garry sees his life as an eternal performance—one in which the spotlight never goes out. But can the man who can't say "no" juggle an ambitious debutante, an aspiring playwright, a secret affair, his tart-tongued secretary, *and* his ex-wife, all in one morning? *Present Laughter* is a sparkling blend of bravura acting, elegant designs and witty dialogue. The cast features Leighton Bryan, Mark Capri, Veanne Cox, Michael Cumpsty, Cole Escola, Richard Hollis, Kaitlin Hopkins, Robin Moseley, James Riordan, Camille Saviola, and Hayley Treider.

Fallen Angels directed by Matthew Arbour

Britain's master of wit has created tour de force roles for two leading ladies in this delightful comedy about the seven-year itch. The sophisticated "bubbles" of this frothy, vintage Coward are popped throughout by sharp and wickedly-funny barbs about the perils of marital bliss. The cast features Jeffrey M. Bender, Julie Jesneck, Allison Mackie, Melissa Miller, Ned Noyes, and Michael Sharon.

About the Theatres

Two River Theater, under the leadership of Artistic Director John Dias and Managing Director Michael Hurst, is dedicated to producing great classics from the American and world stage, creating new plays and musicals for the American theater, and serving its diverse and multigenerational community through unique partnerships and education programs. Founded in 1994 by Joan and Dr. Robert M. Rechnitz, the theater supports the most exceptional and adventurous artists in the American theater and provides opportunities for its audiences to be part of the creative process. Two River Theater is a member of the League of Resident Theaters (LORT), Theatre Communications Group (TCG), the New Jersey Theatre Alliance, and ArtPride New Jersey, and has been designated a Major Arts Institution by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

Two River Theater is conveniently located in Red Bank, NJ, at 21 Bridge Avenue, just minutes from the GSP. Free parking is available. Wheelchair seating and transfer seating is available. Large print programs are available. Infrared listening devices are available free of charge. Some performances are audio described and open captioned. For more information, or to purchase tickets, call 732-345-1400 or visit TRTC.org.

The acclaimed **Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey** is an independent, professional theatre company located on the Drew University campus. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Bonnie J. Monte and Managing Director Jeanne Barrett, the Theatre is one of the leading Shakespeare theatre's in the nation, serving 100,000 adults and children annually. It is the state's largest professional theatre company dedicated to the presentation of Shakespeare's canon and other classics. The Theatre's mission places an equal focus on education—both for young artists and young audiences. Through its distinguished productions and education programs, the company strives to illuminate the universal and lasting relevance of the classics for contemporary audiences.

The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey's **Main Stage**, the 308-seat F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theatre, is conveniently located in Madison at 36 Madison Avenue (Route 124) at Lancaster Road (on the Drew University campus), just minutes from routes 287, 78 and 10. Parking is free. Wheelchair seating and transfer seating is available. Braille and large print programs are available. Infrared listening devices are available free of charge. Some performances are audio described. Contact the theatre for more information. **For more information, or to purchase tickets, call 973-408-5600 or visit www.ShakespeareNJ.org.**

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