

Press Release For Immediate Release – February 21, 2018 For info: Ashley Chandler

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Harlequin Productions Presents The Art of Racing in the Rain Based on the New York Times Best Selling Novel by Garth Stein

Harlequin Productions presents *The Art of Racing in the Rain*, a play based on Garth Stein's award winning 2008 novel and adapted for the stage by Myra Platt for Book-It Repertory Theatre in Seattle in 2012. This will be its first production in the South Sound region. The show will run from March 1 to 24 in the State Theater. Tickets are available at harlequinproductions.org or 360-786-0151.

Enzo knows he is different from other dogs. A philosopher with a nearly human soul, he has educated himself by watching television extensively and by listening very closely to the words of his master, Denny Swift, an up-and-coming race car driver. Through Denny, Enzo has gained tremendous insight into the human condition, and he sees that life, like racing, isn't simply about going fast. Having learned what it takes to be a compassionate and successful person, the wise canine can barely wait until his next lifetime when he is sure he will return as a man. A heart-wrenching but deeply funny and uplifting story of family, love, loyalty, and hope, *The Art of Racing in the Rain* is a captivating look at the wonders and absurdities of human life . . . as only a dog could perceive it.

WHO: Harlequin Productions

WHAT: The Art of Racing in the Rain

WHEN: March 1 – March 24, 2018; Thursdays-Saturdays at 8:00pm, Sunday matinees at 2:00pm

WHERE: The Historic State Theater – 202 4th Avenue East, Downtown Olympia 98501

PRICE: General: \$35, Senior/Military: \$32, Student/Youth: \$20

Rush Tickets available at Box Office 30 minutes prior to curtain

SPECIALS: Pay What You Can Night: Mar. 7, Ladies' Night Out: Mar. 9,

Post-show Talkback: Mar. 11, Pride Night: Mar. 16

TICKETS: Tickets and info available at harlequinproductions.org or by calling 360-786-0151

RATING: Comic Drama

Harlequin Productions is a professional not-for-profit theater company in Olympia, WA, dedicated to the creation of stimulating and enriching theatrical experiences by producing an eclectic season of new works, "buried treasures," and unconventional treatments of classics. Through a dynamic selection of extraordinary material, we explore the human adventure in search of theatrical magic that stretches the mind, nourishes the soul, and inspires human empathy.

STATE THEATER 202 Fourth Avenue East, Olympia WA 98501 | Box Office 360.786.0151 | Fax 360.534.9659 Tickets and information online at www.harlequinproductions.org



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