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THE CRUCIBLE by Arthur Miller

at the Holmdel Theatre Company

Production starring Brian O'Halloran opens July 22, 2010

June 18, 2010, Holmdel, NJ — The Holmdel Theatre Company will present the American classic, *THE CRUCIBLE* by Arthur Miller. Opening Thursday, July 22, 2010 and performing through July 31, 2010 at the Duncan Smith Theater in Holmdel, *THE CRUCIBLE* is directed by Lea Eckert* and stars Brian O'Halloran.

Winner of the Tony Award for Best Play, *THE CRUCIBLE* by Arthur Miller is an ageless tale of fear, greed and power, written by one of the greatest American playwrights of all time. When teenage girls are discovered trying to conjure spirits, the 17th century town of Salem explodes with accusations of witchcraft. The vicious trials that follow expose a community paralyzed by terror, religious extremism and greed, and a marriage forever changed. It is a play that challenges our every notion of good and evil.

The Holmdel Theatre Company is an independent, privately-funded theatre company dedicated to presenting classical plays as well as rarely presented dramas and comedies. The Company seeks to integrate professional actors, technicians, designers and directors with non-professionals and young people in a synergistic artistic and educational exchange. This initiative is used in an effort to raise the level of performance and to help all performers grow artistically from the exposure to professionals in the field.

Brian O'Halloran has been performing in film and theater for over 20 years. He is most known for his film roles as Dante Hicks in Kevin Smith's 1994 indie hit *Clerks* and its 2006 sequel, *Clerks 2*. He also voiced the role of Dante for the animated series *Clerks* on ABC. Brian has worked with some of the film industry's best in *Mallrats*, *Chasing Amy*, *Dogma*, *Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back*, *Vulgar*, *Drop Dead Roses*, *The Junior Defenders*, *Brutal Massacre*, and M. Night Shyamalan's *The Happening*. He can be seen next in the new James L. Brooks comedy *How Do You Know* with Paul Rudd and Reese Witherspoon due to be released this summer.

Also headlining this production are David Volin*, Jason Szamreta* and Robert Senkewicz. Mr. Volin recently returned from a production with the Arkansas Repertory Theatre, in their production of *Frost/Nixon*. This production also features Joe Cullinan, Charles Deitz, Gina Delio, Laura DePinha, Rachel Hayek, Carl Hoffman, Robert Kern, Jackie Kuczinski, Colleen Labella, Elizabeth Mackintosh, Donne Petito, Volney Steffire, Shannon Sullivan, Alessandra Vaganek, Eric Walby and Leslie Wheeler. Mr. Szamreta and Mr. Volin are appearing courtesy of the Actors' Equity Association.

Performances will be held on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, July 22 - 24 and 29 - 31 at 8pm with a matinée on July 25 at 3 pm. All performances are at the Duncan Smith Theater, 36 Crawfords Corner Rd., Holmdel, New Jersey 07733. Ticket prices are \$20 general public (\$15 for seniors and \$10 for students). Reservations may be made by calling the box office at 732-946-0427 or on our website at www.holmdeltheatrecompany.org.

There are many opportunities for students to become part of the Holmdel Theatre Company. The Company selects main stage productions with roles for young people. There are also many apprenticeship programs for students interested in all forms of stage craft such as stage management, crew, lighting, etc. We also offer many workshops throughout the year. If you would like to learn more about the opportunities available at the Holmdel Theatre Company, please visit the website at www.holmdeltheatrecompany.org.

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