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**CHARLES DICKENS'
A CHRISTMAS CAROL
COMES TO THE PALACE THEATRE**

A Columbus tradition for 29 years, the timeless tale of Ebenezer Scrooge and his search for the true spirit of Christmas comes to Columbus' **Palace Theatre** Thanksgiving weekend. Performances of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* are **Friday, November 23** at 7:30 pm; **Saturday, November 24** at 2 pm and 7:30 pm; and **Sunday, November 25** at 2 pm and 7:30 pm. *A Christmas Carol* is made possible through the generous support of **AEP, Bob Evans, Grange, and Univar**.

Tickets are \$32, \$27, and \$22 at the Ohio Theatre Ticket Office (39 E. State St.), any Ticketmaster outlet, or online at www.ticketmaster.com. To charge by phone, please call (614) 431-3600 or (614) 469-0939. The Palace Theatre Ticket Office will open two hours prior to each performance. Students between the ages of 13-19 may purchase \$5 High Five tickets while they are available.

Ever since legendary theatre pioneer Charles Jones adapted the Dickens classic for Nebraska Theatre Caravan nearly three decades ago, the national touring production of *A Christmas Carol* has delighted audiences across America. The production captures every detail of *A Christmas Carol*, from the spine-chilling ghosts to gorgeous renditions of traditional British carols. Crotchety Scrooge, lovable Tiny Tim, and all the fascinating characters that audiences have come to love make Charles Dickens' enchanting story a treasured holiday event.

Performed by a spirited ensemble cast of 25 actors, plus musicians, *A Christmas Carol* features almost two dozen traditional Christmas melodies including "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," "Good King Wenceslaus," "Away in a Manger," and "Here We Come A-Wassailing."

Like a three-dimensional Victorian Christmas that literally leaps to life, the production artfully recreates both the poverty and luxurious wealth of 19th-century London as a

backdrop to the fable of Ebenezer Scrooge, a lonely man who is given the rarest of gifts...the chance to change his life and find his heart.

The Nebraska Theatre Caravan's national touring production of *A Christmas Carol* has entertained thousands of families across the country. Nebraska Theatre Caravan is the professional touring wing of the Omaha Community Playhouse, a unique partnership of a professional company and the nation's largest community theatre. The Caravan has three touring companies that perform each November and December throughout the Midwest, South, and East Coast.

The Ohio Arts Council helped fund this program with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, education excellence, and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. CAPA also appreciates the support of **The Columbus Foundation**, assisting donors and others in strengthening our community for the benefit of all of its citizens, and the **Greater Columbus Arts Council**, supporting the city's artists and arts organizations since 1973.

Owner/operator of downtown Columbus' magnificent historic theatres (Ohio Theatre, Palace Theatre, Southern Theatre) and manager of the contemporary Riffe Center Theatre Complex (Columbus) and the Shubert Theater (New Haven, CT), **CAPA** is an award-winning presenter of national and international performing arts and entertainment. For more information, visit www.capa.com.

CALENDAR LISTING

CAPA Presents Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*

Thanksgiving Weekend - November 23-25

Palace Theatre (34 W. Broad St.)

Friday, November 23, 7:30 pm

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