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## The Hanover Theatre Repertory announces cast of *Julius Caesar*

**Worcester, Mass. (April 16, 2021)** The Hanover Theatre Repertory (THT Rep) is pleased to announce the cast for this summer's production of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*, presented in partnership with the City of Worcester with support from the Worcester Business Improvement District.

Comprised of seasoned professionals from Worcester, greater Boston and New York, as well as students from the renowned Brown University / Trinity Rep MFA program and local adults from THT Rep's new Worc at Play no-cost actor training program, this casting reflects the community's diversity and challenges long-held norms around how Shakespeare "should" look.

Jihan Haddad… *Soothsayer*

Dale Place*… *Julius Caesar*
Alexander Platt*… *Calpurnius*
Livy Scanlon*… *Antonia*
Jade Ziane*… *Octavius Caesar*
Cristiano Lourenço, Jr.^… *Messenger of Octavius Caesar*

Joshua Wolf Coleman*… *Brutus*
Lizzy Brooks*… *Portia*
Clew… *Lucius*

Meri Stypinski*… *Cassia*
Steven Barkhimer*… *Cascus*
Brandon Grimes*… *Decius*
Lia Madeline… *Cinna*

Amie Lytle… *Commoner*
Peter Mann …*Commoner*

Lyndsey Hawkes^, Gideon Malugge^, Ellen Lokos^, Michael Skrzek^, Yahya Jingo, Cristiano Lourenço, Jr.^ … *Ensemble*

**About *Julius Caesar***
*Julius Caesar* will play this upcoming August, with all performances available free and open to the public. Far from a five-hour snoozer, the show will run approximately 90 minutes with intermission. Togas and crowd participation will be encouraged, as audience members will have the opportunity to boo and cheer along with the action.  As with THT Rep's past productions, COVID-19 safety guidelines will be enforced.

This production of *Julius Caesar* is generously supported by presenting sponsors Assumption University and BayState Savings Bank, supporting sponsor WinnCompanies and contributing sponsors Bartholomew & Company, Bowditch & Dewey, Country Bank and Fallon Health. For information on how to become a sponsor, please contact Diane Pieciak at 508.930.2424.

**About The Hanover Theatre Repertory**



A new initiative of The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts, The Hanover Theatre Repertory is committed to engaging, entertaining and energizing audiences with dynamic theatrical events made in and for Worcester, with a focus on classics, modern classics and classics-inspired works. Learn more at TheHanoverTheatre.org/THTRep.

**About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts**
The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than 2 million patrons with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits ("Jersey Boys," "Kinky Boots," "Something Rotten!"), comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Jerry Seinfeld), musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Tony Bennett) and everything in between ("A Christmas Carol," Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown, Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson). POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the Top Theatres in the World. After 12 seasons, the award-winning, historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class performing arts venue and catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's facilities at 551 Main Street house function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

Worcester Center for Performing Arts, a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts and, on behalf of the Worcester Cultural Coalition, manages Worcester's new BrickBox Theater at the Jean McDonough Arts Center. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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