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# On Heels of Successful Macbeth, The Hanover Theatre Repertory Stages Edgar Allan Poe Double Header



#### Worcester, Mass. (October 21, 2022)

Consisting of two Edgar Allan Poe short stories, *The Tell-Tale Heart* and *The Cask of Amontillado*, this season's second offering from The Hanover Theatre Repertory (THT Rep) will play a limited run October 27 – 29, 2022 in the BrickBox Theater at the Jean McDonough Arts Center. Tickets are on sale now at <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/jnan.com/">TheHanoverTheatre.org/event/tht-rep-presents-the-edgar-allan-poe-double-header/</a>.

Originally staged in October 2020, this 60-minute solo show is staged as a séance, using audience participation to conjure two of Poe's most notorious narrators.

At times both dark and darkly funny, *The Edgar Allan Poe Double Header* is masterfully created and performed by THT Rep Artistic Director Livy Scanlon, featuring befitting costume design by Chelsea Kerl, lighting design by Brenda Shepard and sound design by Steve Shepard.

"Edgar Allan Poe certainly captured my imagination when I was a young teenager and I'm hardly alone in that fact," says Livy Scanlon. "I'm looking forward to bringing that excitement to the BrickBox."

In conjunction with this production, THT Rep has launched equitable tiered ticket pricing, allowing patrons to choose a price ranging from \$8 (Subsidized Ticket) - \$110 (Angel Ticket).

**Subsidized Ticket (\$8):** To make their shows accessible, THT Rep offers this lowest price points for students, seniors or anyone else served by this option.

- **Full Price Ticket (\$35):** Did you know "full price" tickets rarely, if ever, cover the costs associated with producing a show? Given that knowledge, THT Rep believes people are honest and honorable and that those who can pay this standard price of admission will do so as a gesture of support for their work.
- **True Cost Ticket (\$55):** For ticket sales to cover all the direct costs associated with producing THT Rep's season of work, they would have to sell every seat to every performance at this price point.

**Angel Ticket (\$110):** For ticket sales to cover all costs and ensure a sustainable future for THT Rep, they would have to sell every seat to every performance at this price point.

## **About The Hanover Theatre Repertory (THT Rep)**

The mission of THT Rep is to engage, entertain and energize audiences with dynamic theatrical events made in and for Worcester, with a focus on classics, modern classics and classicsinspired works.

Born in response to the pandemic, The Hanover Theatre Repertory established itself as a new initiative of The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts with its 2020-2021 offerings: *The Edgar Allan Poe Double Header*, *A Christmas Carol: Reimagined* and Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*, which played free and open to the public on the Worcester Common.

In addition to *Macbeth* and *The Edgar Allan Poe Double Header*, THT Rep's 2022-2023 lineup includes a staged reading of *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller featuring an all-female cast, and a party-performance called *The Marvelous* Party, inspired by Noël Coward's poem of the same name. Learn more at www.TheHanoverTheatre.org/shows-tickets/tht-rep.

## **About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts**

Worcester Center for Performing Arts (WCPA), a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing

Arts (THT) and, on behalf of the Worcester Cultural Coalition (WCC), manages Worcester's BrickBox Theater at the Jean McDonough Arts Center (JMAC). All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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