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TRINITY REP ANNOUNCES FLIGHTS OF FANCY GALA NOVEMBER 15

*Airplane hangar in Warwick to set the scene for event in support of
education programs*

PROVIDENCE, RI: Trinity Repertory Company announces its 2017 Project Discovery Gala **Flights of Fancy**, which celebrates and supports education programs at Trinity Rep. The event will be held in Warwick's **Textron Airplane Hangar** and will feature cocktails, light dinner, fun and laughter, plus a live auction and a Shakespeare cabaret performed by Trinity Rep resident actors. Flights of Fancy is co-chaired by Alison & Larry Eichler and Suzanne & Ira Magaziner. The event committee includes Richard Beretta, Martha Douglas-Osmundson, Rebecca Gibel & Charlie Thurston, Laura Harris, Sally Herreid, Heidi Keller Moon, Kibbe & Tom Reilly, and Barbara & Larry Schoenfeld.

The program begins at **6:00 pm on Wednesday, November 15**, at the Textron Airplane Hangar, 566 Airport Road, Warwick, RI. Tickets are now available at www.TrinityRep.com/event/flights-of-fancy-the-2017-project-discovery-gala/ or by phone at (401) 453-9237.

Party in an Airplane Hangar

The **Textron Aiplane Hangar** is a private facility operated by Textron, the Rhode Island-based aviation company. Tours of a Textron aircraft will be offered during the gala. Light dinner will be provided by **Russell Morin Fine Catering**. A live auction and Shakespeare Cabaret begins at 7:00 pm with auctioneer **Joe Wilson, Jr.** (the star of this season's *A Christmas Carol*), and performances by beloved Trinity Rep company actors. Guests can bid on items including Broadway theater tickets, great sports packages, an exclusive high-end whiskey tasting, and a one-of-a-kind Trinity Rep house party. The evening wraps up with dessert and mingling.

Education at Trinity Rep

Funds raised at the Flights of Fancy gala will support education programs at Trinity Rep, whose dedication to education through art is one of its guiding principles as the State Theater of Rhode Island. At the center of the gala's focus is **Project Discovery**, which has given access to live professional theater to more than 1.4 million students and offers study guides, in-school workshops, and residencies for students, as well as professional development and preview nights for teachers.

Education at Trinity also includes **Creative Classrooms**, an arts integration program that builds community and develops 21st century skills in the classroom; the **Young Actors Summer Institute (YASI)**, which offers electives such as playwriting, musical theater, and Shakespeare



to youth in the summer; **Studio Classes** taught year-round by Trinity Rep's artistic and education staff and company members; **Trinity Zoo**, the company's teen improv troupe; **Teen Ambassadors**, who meet 2-3 times a month and see mainstage productions free of charge, as well as attending master classes with staff; the **Write Here! Write Now!** playwriting competition; and the **Trinity Rep Active Imagination Network (TRAIN)**, which uses drama as therapy for children with autism spectrum disorders.

Trinity Rep reaches **nearly 20,000 K-12 students each year** through its education programming. More info is at www.trinityrep.com/engagement.

Sponsors

Sponsors for the Flights of Fancy Project Discovery Gala are:

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TRINITY REPERTORY COMPANY

Rhode Island's Tony Award-winning theater, Trinity Rep has created unparalleled professional theater for and with its community since its founding in 1963. Trinity Rep strives to facilitate human connection and has been a driving force behind the creativity that fuels and defines the region for more than 50 years.



Trinity Rep is committed to reinventing the public square and inspiring dialogue by creating emotionally-stimulating live productions that range from classical to contemporary and innovative education programs for all ages and abilities. Its annual production of *A Christmas Carol* has brought families together for 40 years and made memories for over a million audience members.

Subscriptions for the 2017-18 season are now on sale. The season includes *Death of a Salesman* by Arthur Miller, *Skeleton Crew* by Dominique Morisseau, *Into the Breeches!* by George Brant, *Othello* by William Shakespeare, *Native Gardens* by Karen Zacarías, and *Ragtime* by Terrence McNally, music by Stephen Flaherty, lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, based on the novel by E.L. Doctorow. **For more information and to purchase tickets, call the box office at (401) 351-4242 or visit Trinity Rep's website at www.TrinityRep.com.**

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