

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Returns December 2 – 23, 2011

Directed by BOB BAKER and GEOFFREY BRUMLIK

Adapted by TOM WOOD

Based on the Story by Charles Dickens

Starring RICHARD McMILLAN

EDMONTON – The Citadel Theatre is proud to present *A Christmas Carol*, returning for a twelfth season and running from December 2 – 23, 2011.

“*A Christmas Carol* is a transformative experience,” says director and Citadel Theatre Artistic Director, Bob Baker. “Year after year, Edmontonians come into *A Christmas Carol* weighed down with season stresses such as shopping, crowds, parking, the weather... but leave our theatre joyful, open-hearted, and selflessly donating their money to a good cause.”

The Citadel Theatre has also partnered again with The Edmonton Food Bank, collecting cash donations after each performance. Over the past ten years, the cast of *A Christmas Carol* has collected over \$520,000 for those less fortunate over the holiday season.

A Christmas Carol is directed by **Bob Baker** (*Death of a Salesman*) and **Geoffrey Brumlik** (*A Christmas Carol*, 2010). The play is adapted from Charles Dickens’ original story by **Tom Wood** (*The Three Musketeers*). The creative team includes Set and Costume Designer **Leslie Frankish** (*Little Women: The Broadway Musical*), Lighting Designer **Rob Thomson** (*August: Osage County*), Sound Designer **Michael Becker** (*A Christmas Carol*, 2010), Choreographer **Linda Rubin** (*A Christmas Carol*, 2010), Music Director **Ryan Sigurdson** (*Little Women: The Broadway Musical*), Stage Manager **Zeph Williams** (Citadel debut), Assistant Stage Manager **Candice Charney** (*Rick: The Rick Hansen Story*), Assistant Stage Manager **Wayne Paquette** (*Death of a Salesman*), Apprentice Stage Manager/Child Supervisor **Lisa Dalmazzi** (Citadel debut), Child Supervisor **Molly Pearson** (Citadel debut), and Child Supervisor **Murray Cullen** (*The Three Musketeers*).

Richard McMillan returns for his second year, starring as Ebenezer Scrooge. The play also stars **Ryland Alexander** (*A Christmas Carol*, 2010), **Julien Arnold** (*The Rocky Horror Show*), **April Banigan** (*Death of a Salesman*), **Jeremy Baumung** (*The Rocky Horror Show*), **Chris Bullough** (*Death of a Salesman*), **Mich Cheladyn** (*A Christmas Carol*, 2010), **Holly Cinnamon** (Citadel debut), **Réjean Cournoyer** (*Sweeney Todd*:

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The Demon Barber of Fleet Street), **Jeremy Crittenden** (*Little Women: The Broadway Musical*), **Seth Dembowski** (Citadel debut), **Alexander Forsyth** (*A Christmas Carol, 2010*), **Beth Graham** (*Death of a Salesman*), **Annette Loiselle** (*A Christmas Carol, 2010*), **James MacDonald** (*Little Women: The Broadway Musical*), **Roman Pfob** (*A Christmas Carol, 2010*), **Kate Ryan** (*True Love Lies*), **Maralyn Ryan** (*A Christmas Carol, 2010*), **Elizabeth Stepkowski-Tarhan** (*August: Osage County*), **Ashley Wright** (*The Three Musketeers*), and **Peg Young** (*A Christmas Carol, 2010*).

The Children's Chorus for *A Christmas Carol* includes **Emma Beaumont, Aidan Burke, Mackenzie Checknita, Juliette Eshleman, Sam Farberman, Campbell Hamilton, Ty Hatt, Cameron Healey, Aryn McConnell, Madison Nyenhuis, Brayden O'Boyle, Sargam Sandhu, Tommy Schiltz, Kaleia Simons-Cook, Alla Wells, Logan West, Kael Wynn.**

James MacDonald (*Little Women: The Broadway Musical*) will be making his debut as Ebenezer Scrooge for matinee performances December 6, 7, 11, 13, 14 and from December 18 – 23.

Tickets for this production are available at www.citadeltheatre.com and 780.425.1820. **Tickets start at just \$20.**

A Christmas Carol is recommended for children 7 years of age and up.

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MEDIA CALL:

The media call for *A Christmas Carol* is DIRECTLY AFTER the matinee preview performance at **2:35pm, Tuesday, December 6**. There will be a chance to quickly interview audience members who have JUST seen the play, followed by a short scene (presented twice) and interviews with cast members and Director Bob Baker.

To RSVP to the media call or for more information, please contact:

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