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CALENDAR INFORMATION

What: Andrew Lloyd Webber & Tim Rice's Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat
Presented by: Woodminster Summer Musicals by Producers Associates, Inc.

When: 8 pm on August 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 2018

Where: Woodminster Amphitheater, Joaquin Miller Park, 3540 Sarcorn Drive, Oakland

Tickets: 510-531-9597 or www.woodminster.com or at the box office before any performance

PRESS RELEASE

Woodminster Summer Musicals Opens 52nd Season Continues August 3rd With *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat!*

July 7, 2018, Oakland, CA -- Producers Associates continues the 52nd season of the Woodminster Summer Musicals with *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat!* The Biblical saga of Joseph and his coat of many colors comes to life August 3-12 at Woodminster Amphitheater in Oakland's Joaquin Miller Park, located on Joaquin Miller Road at upper Sanborn Drive. Told entirely through song, the musical follows Joseph, favorite son of Jacob, as he overcomes many challenges through his honesty and good character.

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2018, Joseph continues to be one of the most enduring shows of all time. Told entirely through song and in 90 minutes, the musical follows Joseph after he's been sold into slavery by his brothers. The magical musical is full of catchy songs in a variety of styles from French ballad "Those Canaan Days" to country "One More Angel in Heaven" along with the unforgettable classics "Any Dream Will Do" and "Close Every Door."

Joseph was the first Lloyd Webber and Rice musical to be performed publicly, and has been performed by more than 20,000 schools and amateur theater groups. After winning the Tony Award for best musical and best original score in 1982, several major revivals, national tours,

and a 1999 straight to video film starring Donny Osmond, it's no wonder Joseph has endured over the years!

Says director Joel Schlader, "Appropriate for all audiences and groups, we can't wait to celebrate the 50th anniversary of this magical show on our stage."

Tickets are available by phone, at 510-531-9597, online at www.woodminster.com, or in person at Woodminster Amphitheater 10-4 weekdays and 10-2 weekends, or at the box office 2 hours before any performance. Performances are August 3 (opening), 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, and 12, all at 8 p.m.

Tickets for summer musicals at Woodminster Amphitheater range from \$32 to \$69, with a \$2 discount for seniors 62 and older. Since the beginning, one of Producers Associates' missions has been to make live theater affordable for families in the local community, and the organization offers many ticket discount programs with that in mind. They include:

- Season tickets and flex passes (about a 15% discount)
- Group rate 25+ (about half price, specific performances)
- Group rate 12+ (about 15% off, any performance)
- Oakland residents (about half price, opening night of each show)
- Millennials 17-30 (about half price, at the door any performance)
- Kids Come Free (up to 16 yrs, 1 free with 1 paying adult, at the door any performance)
- K75 (up to 16 yrs, about 75% off, 5 discounted kids with 1 paying adult, pre-sales okay, any performance)

The production will be directed by Joel Schlader, with music direction by Mark Dietrich and choreography by Marissa Joy Ganz. Woodminster shows are performed with live orchestras, and musicians are members of Musicians Local No. 6.

The role of Joseph will be played by Romar DeClaro, seen last summer as Sky in *Mamma Mia!* At Woodminster. Reprising her role as the narrator, we welcome back Andrea Daniel as the narrator. We would also like to welcome back Greg Carlson (Potiphar) who has performed on our stage and around the Bay Area for many years and Will Springhorn, Jr. (Pharaoh) who was last seen as Gaston in 2017's *Beauty and the Beast*. This cast has over 30 children performing on stage every night.

Closing out the 52nd season of Woodminster Summer Musicals, Lin-Manuel Miranda and Quiara Alegria Hudes' *In The Heights* will be performed August 31-September 9.

Over the last 52 years, Producers Associates has presented 160+ productions, entertaining over a million Woodminster Summer Musicals ticket holders. The shows have been performed by more than 5000 actors, over 20% of them members of Actors Equity Association, making the organization one of the Bay Area's most reliable employers of professional actors. The musicals have always been performed with live professional orchestras, which have included 23 different conductors and over 1800 members of Musicians Local #6. In addition, the organization has employed 26 professional set designers, 17 lighting designers, 25 costume

designers, 6 sound technicians, 18 choreographers, 6 directors, and over 1,500 young backstage interns.

Woodminster Summer Musicals are performed under the stars at Woodminster Amphitheater, an open-air performance facility in Joaquin Miller Park high in the Oakland Hills. The park's spectacular views and serene woodsy environment made it the perfect setting for the amphitheater, cascades, reflecting pool, and paths that were originally built as a WPA project in 1939-40. For many East Bay families, it is a long-standing summer tradition to enjoy a picnic in the park and then see a musical at Woodminster.

For more information about the 2018 season or the history of the organization, visit www.woodminster.com.