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SIGNATURE THEATRE EXTENDS RUN OF *URINETOWN* THROUGH OCTOBER 16 DUE TO DEMAND FOR TICKETS!

“Urinetown: Gotta Go, Gotta Go To Signature’s Sublime Musical.”

— *The Washington Post*

Arlington, VA — Artistic Director Eric Schaeffer announced today a one-week extension of *Urinetown*, the first regional production of the musical since the smash-hit Broadway run. **Winner of three Tony® Awards**, including Best Original Score and Best Book of a Musical, *Urinetown* is a hilarious mix of biting satire and loving parody. In this innovative, zany show, the sewer system of a Gotham-like town is crippled by a 20-year drought with no end in sight. The government forces residents to use public, pay-per-use amenities, in a mad attempt to regulate water consumption. Anyone refusing to pay for the privilege to pee is immediately hauled off to Urinetown — a mysterious place where people go but never return. ***Urinetown* is now running through October 16, 2005**, at Signature Theatre, 3806 S. Four Mile Run Dr., Arlington, VA 22206. **Tickets are now on sale through Tickets.com (703) 218-6500 or online at www.signature-theatre.org.**

WHAT THE CRITICS ARE SAYING:

“Signature Theatre serves as headquarters for the shenanigans of this self-consciously silly musical, which finds in the company’s converted garage an ideal spiritual home. Signature’s ‘Urinetown,’ in fact, feels tighter and funnier than the New York original.”

— Peter Marks, *The Washington Post*

“★★★★! Take a steady stream of irreverent humor, a flood of exceptional performances and a dribble of delicious irony and you’ve got ‘Urinetown.’ Signature’s troupe is almost absurdly talented, at the top of their game both vocally and as actors. You really gotta go.”

— Jayne Blanchard, *The Washington Times*

“Hilarious. Signature’s production serves up style and precision and commitment by the bowlful. Also wit — and a wicked sort of relish that makes the whole business positively irresistible.” — Trey Graham, *City Paper*

“Sheer, over-the-top fun. A joyous whiz. It works overtime to earn its status as not just a hit, but as a piece of original, sharply satiric theater that will make you laugh till you... till you... oh, why the hell not? Till you pee.” — Randy Shulman, *Metro Weekly*

“One of the best musicals I've seen at Signature Theatre. Features a knock-out cast of musical talent that brings a magical touch to the whole performance. This is a great beginning to Signature's new season and this show is certainly one entertainment you'll want to see. Don't miss it.” — Bob Davis, WGMS-FM

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URINETOWN

Music and Lyrics by Mark Hollmann

Book and Lyrics by Greg Kotis

Directed by Joe Calarco

CAST (in alphabetical order)

Officer Barrel	Anthony Aloise
Caldwell B. Cladwell	Christopher Bloch
Mr. McQueen	Michael Bunce
Tiny Tom/Dr. Billeaux	Evan Casey
Old Man Strong/Hot Blades Harry	Steven Cupo
Hope Cladwell	Erin Driscoll
Little Becky Two Shoes/Mrs. Millennium	Sherri L. Edelen
Soupy Sue/Cladwell's Secretary	Eleasha Gamble
Bobby Strong	Will Gartshore
Josephine Strong/Old Woman	Amy McWilliams
Penelope Pennywise	Donna Migliaccio
Robbie The Stockfish/Businessman	Phil Olejack
Billy Boy Bill/Businessman	Jeffrey L. Peterson
Officer Lockstock	Stephen F. Schmidt
Senator Fipp	Thomas Adrian Simpson
Little Sally	Jenna Sokolowski

DESIGN AND DIRECTION

Director	Joe Calarco
Music Direction	Jay Crowder
Choreography	Karma Camp
Set Design	James Kronzer
Costume Design	Anne Kennedy
Lighting Design	Chris Lee
Sound Design	Tony Angelini
Properties	Cathie Gayer
Production Stage Manager	Colleen Martin

SCHEDULE

Now Playing Through October 16, 2005

Show Times: Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m., and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

TICKETS

Tickets are \$31 to \$55 and are available by calling Tickets.com at (800) 955-5566 or (703) 218-6500 and can also be purchased online at www.signature-theatre.org. Discounts available for students, seniors (60+), military and groups of ten or more. The Signature Box Office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and during performances.

SIGNATURE THEATRE

Signature Theatre is a non-profit professional theatre dedicated to producing contemporary plays and musicals and to the development of new work. Now in its 16th season under Artistic Director Eric Schaeffer, Signature has been nominated for 191 Helen Hayes Awards for excellence in the professional theatre and has been honored with 42 Helen Hayes Awards, including Outstanding Musical in 1992, 1993, 1995, 1997, 2000, 2005 and Outstanding Play in 1999. Signature Theatre is a member of the Theatre Communications Group, The League of Washington Theatres, the Cultural Alliance of Greater Washington, the Arlington Arts Alliance, the Arlington Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Washington Board of Trade.

DIRECTIONS

Signature Theatre is located just five miles from downtown Washington, DC at 3806 South Four Mile Run Drive in Arlington, VA immediately off I-395 at the Shirlington exit.

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