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## Cinnabar Theater Reveals Remarkable Slate of Shows for its 42<sup>nd</sup> Season

PETALUMA, CA – Cinnabar Theater, the beloved professional theater in Sonoma County, has announced its 42nd season featuring a remarkable slate of **25 diverse plays, musicals, concerts, and culinary events**. Each year, the nonprofit offers a sophisticated mix of entertainment for local audiences – and this year will be no different. Ticket packages are on sale now so that subscribers can see a show for free. Senior citizens and youth save so much that they'll see two shows free!

“As always, **Cinnabar defies definition with its devotion to variety,**” said **Elly Lichenstein**, the theater’s artistic director. “We’re delighted to present an entire year of enticing and affordable shows. Our professional season features six spectacular productions, and our Young Rep presents four wonderful shows of their own. Guest artists serve up four celebrated solo shows, and our trio of delicious food events returns too. Plus, this year we’re launching the new Sunday Concert Series with eight great concerts throughout the year. We’re truly excited by this eclectic line-up and look forward to sharing this artistic abundance with our enthusiastic audience.”

The professional season starts in September when Cinnabar celebrates the 50th anniversary of **Fiddler on the Roof**, the marvelous family musical that earned 10 Tony Awards with unforgettable tunes like “Tradition” and “If I Were A Rich Man” (September 5 - 21, 2014). Next, come for a ride with **Driving Miss Daisy**, the heartwarming script that won the Pulitzer Prize, the Golden Globe, and the Academy Award (October 17 – November 2, 2014). Cinnabar kicks off 2015 with the world premiere of **Edith Piaf: Under Paris Skies**, a seductive cabaret showcasing the star’s hypnotic songs of dreams and desire (December 31, 2014 – January 18, 2015). Then it’s time for **I Am My Own Wife**, a stunning story of resilience and pride which won the Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize (February 6 - 15, 2015). Spring brings Tom Stoppard’s masterpiece **Arcadia**, a dazzling play that is equal parts comedy, mystery, and love story (April 3 - 19, 2015). Finally, this scintillating season ends on a high note with **Falstaff**, Giuseppe Verdi’s irreverent opera performed entirely in English (June 12 - 28, 2015).

These incredible shows feature **artists that are audience favorites**, including popular performers like Steven Abbott, Laura Jorgensen, Valentina Osinski, Jo Vincent Parks, and Stephen Walsh; respected directors such as Nathan Cummings, Jennifer King, Sheri Lee Miller, John Shillington, and Melissa Weaver; and distinguished musicians like Mary Chun, Al Haas, Tyler Lewis, and Robert Lunceford. Moreover, in the months ahead, Cinnabar hosts the work of four renowned solo performers: David Templeton’s **Wretch Like Me** (July 25-26, 2014), Trevor Allen’s **Working for the Mouse** (October 19 - 26, 2014), Brian Copeland’s **The Jewelry Box** (November 30, 2014), and Will Durst’s **Durst Case Scenario** (June 18 and 21, 2015).

This season, Cinnabar also unveils the new Sunday Concert Series. It begins with **When a Man Loves a Woman**, a luscious outdoor show of smoking R&B classics performed at a private estate by legendary singers Pamela Rose and Glenn Walters (September 14, 2014). Next **Misner & Smith** bring their vivid lyrics and lush melodies to the theater (November 2, 2014), and the **Cinnabar Singers** celebrate the holidays in beautiful harmony (December 14, 2014). In 2015, Sandy and Richard Riccardi unleash a

hilarious cabaret called **My Raunchy Valentine** (February 8, 2015), the **Ring of Truth Trio** performs traditional Irish music shortly before St. Paddy's Day (March 15, 2015), and the **Red Hot Chackas** welcome spring with their catchy brand of Klezmer (April 19, 2015). Then **Le Jazz Hot** delivers gypsy jazz inspired by guitar genius Django Reinhardt (May 17, 2015), and finally **Amanacer Flamenco** returns to sing, strum, and stomp across Cinnabar's stage (June 14, 2015).

In addition, Cinnabar's Young Rep presents **The Wizard of Oz** (November 28 – December 14, 2014), **Romeo & Juliet** (March 13 - 15, 2015), **You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown** (May 15 - 24, 2015), and **Beauty and the Beast** (July 31 – August 9, 2015). Culinary events that benefit the theater include **Taste of Petaluma** (August 23, 2014), Cinnabar's **Fresh Crab Feed** at Lagunitas Brewery (January 13, 2015), and the 18<sup>th</sup> annual **Great Petaluma Chili Cook-Off & Beer Tasting** (May 9, 2015).

Anyone can see alluring performances at an absurdly low price by subscribing to Cinnabar. Season subscribers get amazing savings, free exchanges, priority seating, and more. **Ticket packages range from only \$36 to \$155.** Subscribers save up to 33 percent, which means that their sixth show is free. Seniors and youth save so much that they see two shows for free! Discounts are also available for the new Sunday Concert Series: see four concerts for \$94, six for \$136, or all eight for \$168.

Every year, **Cinnabar Theater** produces a thrilling mix of plays, musicals, operas, and concerts in a remarkable range of genres. Cinnabar's Young Rep offers extensive activities for local youth, and the Cinnabar Singers welcome anyone who wants to be part of a chorus. All these events take place in the iconic red schoolhouse perched atop a grassy hill on the outskirts of Petaluma. Audiences have flocked to performances in this intimate setting since 1972, when Marvin and Jan Klebe established an arts center for the community. Along with their sons, they transformed a charming 1908 schoolhouse into a jewel-box theater that has hosted successful shows for four decades. Now Cinnabar is preparing another year of lively performances for its loyal audience.

**Generous underwriters** for Cinnabar's 2014-15 season include Dick and Edith Kapash, Dr. David Noorthoek, Sandra O'Brien, Michel Sneathlague and Barbara Howell, Emily and Walter Roeder, Frank Schomer, and Clyde and Kim Schultz. Young Rep sponsors include Madeleine and Scott Ashe, Clyde and Kim Schultz, and Rob Sullivan Real Estate. Corporate underwriting is provided by Bergin Glass Impressions, Celebrity Cruises, and East Washington Place, and major institutional funders include the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, Ocean State Job Lot Foundation, and Community Foundation Sonoma County.

Cinnabar Theater is located at 3333 Petaluma Boulevard North, just off Highway 101 and only minutes from historic downtown Petaluma. There's ample parking up on the hill... and a friendly herd of goats grazing in the neighboring field. **For more information**, to purchase tickets, or to make a tax-deductible donation in support of Cinnabar's mission, call (707) 763-8920 or visit [cinnabartheater.org](http://cinnabartheater.org).

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#### PHOTO CAPTION

Legendary singer Pamela Rose is saving you a seat for a season of spectacular plays, musicals, concerts, and culinary events at Cinnabar Theater. (Photo by Jennifer Paschal)

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## Fact Sheet: Cinnabar's 2014-15 Season

### PROFESSIONAL SEASON

September 5 - 21, 2014: ***Fiddler on the Roof***

Music by Jerry Bock / Lyrics by Sheldon Harnick / Book by Joseph Stein

Music direction by Mary Chun / Stage direction by John Shillington

*Underwritten by Clyde & Kim Schultz with Sandra O'Brien*

October 17 – November 2, 2014: ***Driving Miss Daisy***

Written by Alfred Uhry / Directed by Nathan Cummings

*Underwritten by Dick & Edith Kapash with Frank Schomer*

December 31, 2014 – January 18, 2015: ***Edith Piaf: Under Paris Skies***

World premiere featuring the songs of Edith Piaf

Music direction by Al Haas & Robert Lunceford / Stage direction by Melissa Weaver

*Underwritten by Michel Sneathlage and Barbara Howell*

February 6 - 15, 2015: ***I Am My Own Wife***

Written by Doug Wright / Directed by Jennifer King

*Underwritten by Bergin Glass Impressions*

April 3 - 19, 2015: ***Arcadia***

Written by Tom Stoppard / Directed by Sheri Lee Miller

*Underwritten by Dr. David Noorthoek*

June 12 - 28, 2015: ***Falstaff***

Music by Giuseppe Verdi / Libretto by Arrigo Boito

Music direction by Mary Chun / Stage direction by Elly Lichenstein

*Underwritten by Emily & Walter Roeder*

### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

July 25 - 26, 2014: ***Wretch Like Me***

Written and performed by David Templeton / Directed by Sheri Lee Miller

October 19 - 26, 2014: ***Working for the Mouse***

Written and performed by Trevor Allen / Directed by Nancy Carlin

November 30, 2014: ***The Jewelry Box***

Written and performed by Brian Copeland / Directed by David Ford

June 18 and 21, 2015: ***Durst Case Scenario***

Written and performed by Will Durst

## SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES

*Underwritten by Michel Snethlage and Barbara Howell*

September 14, 2014	Garden Concert: When a Man Loves a Woman
November 2, 2014	Misner & Smith
December 14, 2014	Cinnabar Singers for the Holidays
February 8, 2015	My Raunchy Valentine
March 15, 2015	The Ring of Truth Trio
April 19, 2015	Red Hot Chackas
May 17, 2015	Le Jazz Hot
June 14, 2015	Amanacer Flamenco

## CULINARY EVENTS

August 23, 2014	Taste of Petaluma ( <i>sponsored by East Washington Place and Celebrity Cruises</i> )
January 13, 2015	Cinnabar's Fresh Crab Feed at Lagunitas Brewery
May 9, 2015	The Great Petaluma Chili Cook-Off & Beer Tasting

## YOUNG REP SHOWS

November 28 – December 14, 2014

### ***The Wizard of Oz***

By L. Frank Baum / Music and lyrics by Harold Arlen & E.Y. Harburg

Background music by Herbert Stothart / Adapted by John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare Company

Based on the classic motion picture owned by Turner Entertainment and distributed by Warner Bros

*Underwritten by Clyde & Kim Schultz*

March 13 - 15, 2015

### ***Romeo & Juliet***

By William Shakespeare / An exciting modern adaptation directed by Nathan Cummings

May 15 - 24, 2015

### ***You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown***

Based on the comic strip "Peanuts" by Charles M. Schulz / Book, music, and lyrics by Clark Gesner

Additional dialogue by Michael Mayer / Additional music and lyrics by Andrew Lippa

*Underwritten by Scott & Madeleine Ashe in honor of Young Rep alumna Erin Yvette Ashe*

July 31 – August 9, 2015

### ***Beauty and the Beast***

Music by Alan Menken / Lyrics by Howard Ashman & Tim Rice / Book by Linda Woolverton

Originally produced by Disney Theatrical Productions

*Underwritten by Rob Sullivan Real Estate*

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