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AWARD WINNING CHILDREN’S AUTHOR, KATE DICAMILLO, COMES TO THE WEINBERG CENTER

FREDERICK, MD, Tuesday, September 25, 2018 — One of only 15 stops on a nationwide book tour and the only event in the Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area, two-time Newberry Medal winner Kate DiCamillo comes to the Weinberg stage to speak about her latest book for middle grade readers "Louisiana's Way Home" on Sunday, October 21, 2018.

Tickets are \$7 or \$20 with the book and may be purchased online at WeinbergCenter.org, by calling the Box Office at 301.600.2828, or in person at 20 West Patrick St. Discounts are available for students, children, military, and seniors.

Kate DiCamillo’s writing journey has been a truly remarkable one. Born in Philadelphia and raised in Florida, she moved to Minnesota in her twenties. The combination of homesickness and a bitter winter led her to write her first published novel, “Because of Winn-Dixie.” It became a runaway bestseller and received a Newberry Honor. Her second book, “The Tiger Rising,” went on to become a National Book Award finalist. In 2003 DiCamillo was awarded her first Newberry Medal for her novel, “The Tale of Despereaux.” It starred a tiny mouse with exceptionally large ears who was driven by love to become an unlikely hero, later inspiring an animated adventure from Universal Pictures. In 2013 she became one of only six people to be awarded two Newberry Medals, receiving her second for “Flora & Ulysses.” The book garnered five starred reviews and an instant spot on the New York Times bestseller list. In addition to literary awards like the Josette Frank Award (2000), the Boston Globe–Horn Book Award (2006) and the Theodor Seuss Geisel Medal (2011), DiCamillo was appointed the U.S. National Ambassador for Young People’s Literature (2014-2015) by the Library of Congress. She has nearly 30 million books in print worldwide.

A complete listing of artists and performers scheduled for the 2018-2019 season can be found at WeinbergCenter.org.

ABOUT THE WEINBERG CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Weinberg Center for the Arts is one of the region’s premier performing arts presenters, offering film, music, dance, theater, and family-focused programming. Located in the historic Tivoli movie theater in downtown Frederick, Md., the Weinberg Center strives to ensure that the arts remain accessible and affordable to local and regional audiences alike. Weinberg Center events are made possible with major support from the City of Frederick, the Maryland State Arts Council, Plamondon Hospitality Partners, and other corporate and individual donors.

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