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Weinberg Center Announces Free Ticket Initiatives for Veterans, Children & Frontline Workers

FREDERICK, MD Monday, September 27, 2021 — The Weinberg Center for the Arts is pleased to announce three initiatives that will provide free tickets this season to area veterans, children facing catastrophic illnesses and frontline workers.

Two of these ticket initiatives are existing programs. The Sharon I. Hooper Fund for Children at the Community Foundation of Frederick County funds tickets for children facing catastrophic illnesses and their families, while the Delaplaine Foundation funds tickets for area veterans and their families. The Intermission Project is a new program this season which was funded entirely by donations from Weinberg Center patrons, members, and sponsors, during the pandemic. This fund will provide free tickets for workers who have been at the forefront of the Covid-19 pandemic, such as first responders, healthcare workers, and front-line employees.

"Making sure the arts are accessible to the broadest audience possible is a cornerstone of the Weinberg Center's mission," said Rebecca O'Leary, Manager of Development, "As we cautiously open our doors, we want to make sure these members of our community have access to great arts experiences when they feel safe it is safe to do so."

Eligible, interested parties are asked to contact Box Office Manager, Jef Cliber, at icliber@cityoffrederickmd.gov or 301-600-2878 to learn more about participating in the programs and available performances. Tickets can be requested for most performances in the 2021-2022 Season, which will run until June of 2022.

To attend performances at this time, patrons must present a photo ID and prove they meet the CDC definition of being fully vaccinated at the time of entry or proof of a negative COVID test within the last 72 hours on the day of the performance. Children under 2 are exempt and for children ages 2 to 12, the only requirement is to wear a mask.

A complete listing of artists and performers scheduled for the 2021-2022 season, as well as the most up-to-date safety protocols, 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, the Maryland Heritage Area Authority and other corporate and individual donors.