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Mr. President

IRVING BERLIN'S *MR. PRESIDENT* PRESENTED JULY 18 A One-Night-Only Performance to Benefit the Actors Fund

Larry Daggett (*Ragtime*, *Candide*), Kimberly Faye Greenberg (*Danny and Sylvia*, *One Night with Fanny Brice*), and Erin Mackey (*Wicked*, *Sondheim on Sondheim*) are set to star in a one-night-only performance of Irving Berlin's last Broadway musical *Mr. President*, presented July 18 in Manhattan to benefit the Actors Fund.

Mr. President, with music and lyrics by Irving Berlin and book by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse, tells the story of the President of the United States and his family during his last few months in office and later, trying to adjust back to normal life in central Pennsylvania. Not-for-profit Theatrical Gems produces the **first New York revival** of the show in its original context since 1963.

The event will be held at **The Mainstage Theatre**, 416 West 42nd Street on **Sunday**, **July 18** at **8:00 PM**. In addition to the performance, tickets and memorabilia for various past and present Broadway and off-Broadway shows will be sold in an auction that will begin online and will finish during intermission. Check www.theatricalgems.org beginning next week for details.

The 25-person cast stars Mackey, Greenberg, and Daggett, with Chuck Karel (*Hello Dolly*, *Dear World*) and Joy Hermalyn (*Fiddler on the Roof, La Boheme*), and introducing Kenneth Kasch, Eric Noone, Tara Novie, and Spencer Andrew Taylor. Joining them in the cast are DeeGee Brandemour, Scott Breitbart, Tricia Burns, Brianne Cobuzzi, Jody Cook, Gregory Couba, Benjamin Farha, Jonathan G Galvez, Maggie Graham, Christina Noone, Roger Rifkin, Michal Salonia, Stacey Scotte, Lawrence E. Street, Jennifer Teska, and Melodie Wolford. Theatrical Gems Artistic Director Jacob Shoesmith-Fox directs, with musical direction by Steven H. Taylor.

Mr. President won the 1963 Tony Award for Best Stage Technician (Solly Pernick) and received nominations for Best Actress in a Musical (Nanette Fabray) and Best Conductor and Musical Director (Jay Blackton).

Tickets are \$20 and can be reserved by emailing tickets@theatricalgems.org. Tickets will be picked up at the door, cash only. Proceeds benefit the Actors Fund.

The Actors Fund is a nationwide human services organization that helps all professionals in performing arts and entertainment. The Fund is a safety net, providing programs and services for those who are in need, crisis or transition.

Theatrical Gems strives to educate audiences about the past, present, and future of theater. Through the entertaining and engaging presentation of popular classics, new works, and underappreciated relics, we hope to expand horizons and tastes with the goal of preserving these works of art for future generations of theatergoers. Theatrical Gems is a sponsored project of Fractured Atlas, a non-profit arts service organization.

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