

THE UMBRELLA STAGE COMPANY PRESENTS "NOW. HERE. THIS." – A CELEBRATION OF LIFE, CONNECTION, AND THE HUMAN SPIRIT

CONCORD, MA— September 27, 2024 – The Umbrella Stage Company is thrilled to announce its upcoming production of *Now. Here. This.* – a musical jaunt that explores humor, heart, and self-discovery. Set against the backdrop of cosmic adventures, four friends share stories about identity, laughter, living, and middle school, all while attempting to step directly into the elusive "present moment."

Hailed by *The New York Times* as "a blend of good humor and good feeling with an audience-embracing brio that never flags," this new show comes from the creative minds behind "*[title of show]*".

Directed and choreographed by Larry Sousa, the ensemble cast features Alexander Boyle, Craig Juricka*, Liliane Klein* and Katie Pickett.

More than just a musical, it's a celebration of life, love, connection, and the boundless potential of the human spirit.

Running Oct. 4-Nov. 10 (press opening Thursday Oct. 10, 7:30PM), the show will run in rotation with The Umbrella's production of *Network*, the hard-hitting satire based on the classic 1976 film.

Select performances will feature additional engagement opportunities for audience members:

- Dinner & A Show packages are available for all Thursday night performances
- Talk Back scheduled following performance on Nov. 7
- Childcare with art activities for youth ages 5-12 is available through The Umbrella's Kid Care program for parents interested in attending the Oct. 27 matinee

The Umbrella is ADA accessible, a proud partner in the Massachusetts Cultural Council's EBT Card-to-Culture program, and provides free parking and free admission to its visual arts galleries. See <u>https://TheUmbrellaArts.org/NHT</u> for more information.

CALENDAR LISTING & PRESS OPENING DETAILS

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WHAT

Now. Here. This.

WHO

Book by Hunter Bell and Susan Blackwell; Music and Lyrics by Jeff Bowen. Directed and choreographed by Larry Sousa. Featuring Alexander Boyle, Craig Juricka*, Liliane Klein* and Katie Pickett.

WHEN

PREVIEWS: Oct. 4 & Oct. 6, 2024 REGULAR RUN: Oct. 10-Nov. 10 PRESS OPENING: Thursday Oct. 10, 2024, at 7:30PM Thursdays & Fridays 7:30PM; Saturdays 8PM; Sundays 3PM

WHERE

The Umbrella Arts Center, 40 Stow Street, Concord, MA 01742

ABOUT SUMMARY

A musical celebration of life, love, connection, and the boundless potential of the human spirit from the creative minds behind "[title of show]".

Tickets \$48 regular adult

Discounts for students, seniors, groups, Card-to-Culture eligible attendees

Group Discounts: Groups of 10 – 14 save 10%; groups of 15 and up save 15%. EBT, WIC, ConnectorCare Card-to-Culture discounts available. Contact the Box Office for more details.

Press Photos available from Stewart@TheUmbrellaArts.org, 978-371-0820 x211, or online here.

ACCESS

The Umbrella is wheelchair accessible. Assistive Listening Devices are available by advance request to <u>John@TheUmbrellaArts.org</u> or 978-371-0820 x204. Marked all-gender bathrooms available.

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