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STAGES ST. LOUIS PRESENTS

The Full Monty

July 20 – August 19

STAGES ST. LOUIS will continue its 2007 21st Fabulous Season with *The Full Monty* (July 20 – August 19).

A poignant mix of humor and heart, *The Full Monty* tells the tale of six unemployed steel workers in Buffalo who come up with a bold way to make some quick cash. In the process, they discover the importance of family and friends, and ultimately find a renewed sense of self-respect. As these men face their fears, self-consciousness, and anxieties, they find strength in their friendship, and overcome their inner struggles to finally take charge of their lives.

The Full Monty is based on the 1997 Oscar-nominated Best Film, "The Full Monty." After making its Broadway premiere at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre on October 26, 2000, and running for 770 performances, the show went on to be nominated for 10 Tony Awards including Best Musical in 2001.

Music and lyrics for *The Full Monty* are by David Yazbek, with book by Terrence McNally. Appearing in the cast are Michael Halling as Jerry Lukowski, Nicholas Kohn as Dave Bukatinsky, Zachary Halley as Malcolm MacGregor, Marc Kessler as Harold Nichols, Keith Tyrone as Noah "Horse" T. Simmons, and Matthew Skrincosky as Ethan Girard. Also appearing in the cast are Zoe Vonder Haar as Jeanette Burmeister, Erin Kelley as Pam Lukowski, Jenna Coker as Georgie Bukatinsky, and Rochelle Angelique as Joanie Lish.

Direction and musical staging are by Michael Hamilton, with choreography by Stephen Bourneuf and musical direction by Lisa Campbell Albert. Completing the artistic team are scenic designer Mark Halpin, costume designer Lou Bird, lighting designer Matthew McCarthy, and orchestral designer Stuart M. Elmore.

The Full Monty will run for a total of five weeks. Week one performances are Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. The week two schedule is Tuesday through Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Weeks three, four and five will have additional matinee performances on Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

STAGES will also host two special events, Girls' Night Out and Boys' Night Out. For \$50.00 audiences will see the show and then meet and mingle with the men of the cast at a post-show reception! Girls' Night Out will be held on Friday, July 20th, and Boys' Night Out will be held on Sunday, July 22nd. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Box Office at 314.821.2407 or visiting either of the STAGES Box Office locations at 444 Chesterfield Center in Chesterfield or at 111 S. Geyer Rd. in Kirkwood.

STAGES performs in the intimate, 384-seat Robert G. Reim Theatre at the Kirkwood Civic Center, 111 South Geyer Road, 63122. Tickets are \$46.00, with numerous special single ticket prices available. For more information and to purchase tickets call 314-821-2407 or visit www.stagesstlouis.org.

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