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MISS BENNET: CHRISTMAS AT PEMBERLEY

by Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon

Directed by Christina Baldwin

November 20-December 29, 2019

Previews: November 20-22

The Jungle Theater

2951 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis

Tickets: \$40-\$50

Box Office: 612-822-7063 or www.jungletheater.org

JUNGLE THEATER REPRISES HOLIDAY HIT

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“...an Austen-tatious holiday show....(a) charming salute to romance, the holidays and ostentatious sideburns.” - *Star Tribune*

“The most hardened of holiday cynics might find their hearts melted by *Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley*....an exuberant, intelligent production that glows with the spirit of the season.” - *City Pages*

(MINNEAPOLIS; October x, 2019) – The Jungle brings back its 2017 holiday hit – Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon’s ***Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley*** – one of the U.S.’s most produced plays in 2018. Opening on November 23, this enchanting romance reunites Jane Austen’s *Pride and Prejudice* characters at the Darcy home for the holidays. **Christian Bardin** returns as Mary, the ever-dependable middle sister. **Reese Britts** makes his Jungle debut as shy bookworm Arthur de Bourgh, whom Mary sees as a kindred spirit and intellectual equal.

Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley, directed by **Christina Baldwin**, is on stage through December 29 at the Jungle, located in the Lyn-Lake neighborhood of Minneapolis, 2951 Lyndale Ave. S. Tickets are on sale at www.jungletheater.org.

In this charmingly imagined sequel — picking up two years after Jane Austen’s beloved masterpiece ends — Mary is growing tired of her role as dutiful daughter in the face of her sisters’ romantic escapades. When Arthur, a “single man in possession of a good fortune,” catches her eye, Mary must learn to be the heroine of her own story in this “perfectly constructed love story” (*San Francisco Chronicle*).

Returning to the 2019 production are **Sun Mee Chomet** as Elizabeth “Lizzie” Darcy, **Anna Hickey** as Anne, and **James Rodríguez** as Mr. Darcy. Joining the cast are **Roshni Desai** (*The Wickhams*) as Jane Bennet, **Andrea San Miguel** (*Two Gentlemen of Verona*) as Lydia Bennet Wickham and **Jesse LaVercombe** (*The Wickhams*) as Charles. The *Miss Bennet* creative team features **Sarah Bahr** (set and costumes), **Marcus Dilliard** (lighting), **Sean Healey** (sound) and **John Novak** (properties).

“Jane Austen at the holidays has become a tradition at the Jungle and we’re beyond excited to share *Miss Bennet* with audiences again. We know that new audiences will love this sweet, witty show as much as our 2017 crowds. And for those who have experienced a *Christmas at Pemberley*, we look forward to them coming back to see this incredibly talented cast and new production,” says Sarah Rasmussen, Jungle Artistic Director.

Performances are Tuesdays (\$40), Wednesdays (\$40), Thursdays (\$40), Fridays (\$50) and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. (\$50), and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (\$45). Preview performances (\$15) are November 20-22 at 7:30 p.m. Rush tickets are offered every night of the week, based on availability two hours prior to the performance, and there is special Friday night pricing for students, 55408 neighborhood residents and employees, and those under 30 years of age. Tickets and more information are available at (612) 822-7063 or www.jungletheater.org.

About the Jungle Theater

The Jungle Theater creates courageous, resonant theater that challenges, entertains and sparks expansive conversation. As a neighborhood theater with national impact, the Jungle tells stories that matter, with deep care and attention to detail. Artistic Director Sarah Rasmussen, entering her fifth season, was named “Artist of the Year” in 2018 by the Star Tribune and is noted for bringing new voices and gender parity to the stage.

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Previews	Wednesday-Thursday	November 20-21 @ 7:30 p.m.
Media Night	Friday	November 22 @ 7:30 p.m.
Opening Night	Saturday	November 23 @ 7:30 p.m.
Closes	Sunday	December 29 @ 7:30 p.m.

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