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## **SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE ANNOUNCES NEW DATES FOR HERSHEY FELDER'S *A PARIS LOVE STORY***

**San Diego, CA – April 3, 2020 - San Diego Repertory Theatre** (San Diego REP) announced today the postponement and new production schedule for *Hershey Felder: A Paris Love Story*, the closing show of the theatre's 44<sup>th</sup> season. The production, featuring the music of **Claude Debussy**, written and performed by **Hershey Felder** and directed by **Trevor Hay**, originally scheduled for May, will run **November 5 – 29, 2020**, in San Diego REP's Lyceum Stage Theatre, with press opening on **Friday, November 6 at 8:00 p.m.** Patrons who held tickets will be automatically reseated into a corresponding date during the new schedule and will be notified of their new performance date. The theatre has rescheduled the production out of an abundance of caution for public health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic. Says Hershey Felder:

"I was to bring you my beloved city of Paris and the story of its music this May, but in order to protect us all, we must postpone our *Paris Love Story* at The REP to the upcoming November, when we will be able to share in the magic of this city and its music in a safe and healthy environment. If you have your seats already, those seats will be waiting for you in November. If you don't, I hope to see you join us."

San Diego Rep Artistic Director Sam Woodhouse says: "San Diego REP has weathered tough times in the 44 seasons we have produced, but I have never experienced anything quite like this. While we safely shelter, we are working hard towards that day in the future when we can welcome San Diegans back into the Lyceum. I'm thrilled that we have been able to find an alternate schedule that works for Hershey in November. I know his very special piece *A Paris Love Story* will be a rare and unforgettable musical event."

For decades, Felder's "Great Composer Series" has celebrated the brilliance of Beethoven, Berlin, Tchaikovsky and more. San Diego REP invites audiences on piano virtuoso Hershey Felder's personal journey, while also exploring the life and music of Impressionist composer, Claude Debussy. *Hershey Felder: A Paris Love Story* brings to life a visionary who proclaimed nature his religion, creating music of ravishing beauty, color and compassion, from the sweeping "La Mer" to the evocative "Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune" and the mystical "Clair de lune."

### **About San Diego Repertory Theatre**

San Diego Repertory Theatre (San Diego REP) produces intimate, provocative and inclusive theatre. Founded in 1976, San Diego Repertory Theatre is downtown San Diego's resident theatre, promoting an interconnected community through vivid works that nourish progressive political and social values and celebrates the multiple voices of our region. The company produces and hosts over 550 events and performances year-round on its three stages at the Lyceum Theatre. Since moving to the Lyceum, The REP has produced 54 main stage productions by Latino playwrights, and more than 45 world premieres. The company has received more than 200 awards for artistic excellence from the San Diego Theatre Critics Circle, Patté Theatre Awards, NAACP, Backstage West, Dramalogue and

StageSceneLA. In 2005, the San Diego Theatre Critics Circle presented The REP with the Craig Noel Award “For 30 Years of Artistic Dedication to Downtown and Diversity.” San Diego Repertory Theatre feeds the curious soul. To learn more about San Diego Repertory Theatre, to purchase tickets, or make a donation, visit [sdrep.org](http://sdrep.org). Join us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter (@SanDiegoREP).

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