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Theatre *at the* Center

Presents

The Timeless Musical Phenomenon

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

Munster, IN- **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**, the Tony Award nominated, groundbreaking theatrical masterpiece by legendary writing team Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, will be playing only at Theatre at the Center, 1040 Ridge Road, Munster, IN, July 8 through August 8. The press performance will be July 11. The first collaboration between Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice to be performed on the professional stage, **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR** is one of the most popular and enduring works ever created for the musical theatre. The production will star Jeff Award Winner Max Quinlan as "Jesus" and will be Directed and Choreographed by Stacey Flaster.

In **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**, Jesus is portrayed as a prophet / rock star whose appeal stems as much from the crowd's energy as from his own inspirational message. Jesus' meteor-like rise in renown provides, as the title suggests, a parallel to contemporary celebrity worship. As his radical teachings are evermore embraced, Judas increasingly questions the enlightened motives of this new prophet, resulting in betrayal. In this production, Christ's final days are dramatized with emotional intensity, thought-provoking edge and explosive theatricality.

As relevant and timeless as ever, **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**, the rock opera version of "the greatest story ever told," is perhaps more potent in today's troubled world than when it was first produced. Featuring such notable songs as "Superstar", "Everything's Alright" and "I Don't Know How To Love Him", **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR** earned five Tony nominations.

Starring with Max Quinlan as "Jesus" in the cast of **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR** will be Larry Adams as "Pontius Pilate", Joe Tokarz as "Judas", Audrey Billings as "Mary Magdalene", Jeff Diebold as "Caiaphas", Dante Murray as "Simon Zealotes", Steve Genovese as "King Herod", Kevin Barthel as "Annas", Jon Cunningham as "Peter" and ensemble members Daniel Castro, Lauren Creel, Courtney Crouse, Robert Deason, Jim DeSelm, Dan Ferretti, Jackie Gessert, Chie Isobe, Benjamin Kirberger, Alex McCrary, Ashton Napier, Rebecca Pink and Cory Stonebrook.

Joining Director and Choreographer **Stacey Flaster** will be Musical Director **Bill Underwood**. The design team for **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR** is Scenic Designer **Christopher Ash**,

Costume Designer **Nikki Delhomme**, Lighting Designer **Tim Fandrei**, Wig Designer **Kevin Barthel**, Props Designer **Libby Fandrei** and Sound Designer **Barry Funderburg**. The Stage Manager is **Rita Vreeland**.

Founded in 1991, **Theatre at the Center** is a year-round professional theater at its home, The Center for Visual and Performing Arts, 1040 Ridge Road, Munster, Indiana. **Theatre at the Center** is conveniently located off I-80/94, just 35 minutes from downtown Chicago, and has free parking.

Performances are Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.; Sundays at 2:30 p.m.; and select Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. or 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. Individual ticket prices range from \$36 - \$40. Special **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR** events include a Wine Tasting on Friday, July 9th from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Educator's Night on Thursday, July 15th; and Superstar Burger Buffet dinner/theatre event on Thursday, July 29th. Group discounts are also available for groups of 11 or more. For more information, to purchase gift certificates and/or individual tickets, call the Box Office at 219.836.3255, Tickets.com at 800.511.1552 or visit www.TheatreAtTheCenter.com.

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