

**Georgia Ensemble Theatre
And Chattahoochee Nature Center
Excited to Bring
Ring of Fire, The Music of Johnny Cash
To North Fulton This Summer**

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ROSWELL, GA (June 15, 2017) – **Georgia Ensemble Theatre (GET)**, North Fulton’s only professional theatre company, is partnering once again with **The Chattahoochee Nature Center (CNC)** to bring great music to summer nights in Roswell. After two wildly popular summer productions of *Almost Heaven, John Denver’s America*, GET will now bring ***Ring of Fire, The Music of Johnny Cash*** to the outdoor stage at the CNC. Performances will run Thursdays through Saturdays from **July 13-29, 2017** at the Chattahoochee Nature Center’s Ben Brady Pavilion, 9135 Willeo Rd., Roswell, GA 30075.

Fresh on the heels of GET’s biggest Broadway musical hit ever, *Million Dollar Quartet*, the supremely talented **Chris Damiano** (Johnny Cash in *Million Dollar Quartet*) and **Christopher Kent** (Carl Perkins in *Million Dollar Quartet*) will hit the stage with three other extraordinarily talented actor/musicians, **Scott Depoy** (*Almost Heaven John Denver’s America*), **Mark Schroeder** (*Pump Boys & Dinettes*) and **Laura Lindahl** (GET debut) to rock a concert-version of *Ring of Fire, The Music of Johnny Cash*.

From vintage country to rockabilly, from rock-n-roll to searing ballads of love and deep faith, *Ring of Fire* tells the story of the **Man in Black** through his music. Over two dozen classic Cash hits including “I Walk the Line,” “A Boy Named Sue,” “Folsom Prison Blues,” and of course “Ring of Fire” will all be performed by the cast. The production is directed by GET Artistic Director **Robert J. Farley**, with musical direction by **Chris Damiano** as GET continues its special partnership with The Chattahoochee Nature Center for a third consecutive summer.

In addition to the show, audience members will have the opportunity to enjoy all of the amenities of the Nature Center and bring a picnic to dine on site. There will also be a cash bar available before and during the show. Patrons may reserve seating either at a table under the covered pavilion, or enjoy general admission lawn seating under the stars. The Center will open at 6:30pm on performance nights for ticketed patrons to enjoy the exhibits and grounds, with show time starting at 8:00pm.

Artistic Director **Bob Farley** said, “Due to unprecedented popularity of our shows the last two summers at The Chattahoochee Nature Center, Georgia Ensemble Theatre is proud to be back for the third time in as many years this July with a perfect show for the natural surroundings. There will be some friendly faces in the cast that patrons will know from Million Dollar Quartet and Almost Heaven, John Denver’s America. And I’m happy to say we’re already over 50% sold out, which shows the power of Cash’s music and a great place to see it.”

Chris Nelson, Executive Director of the Chattahoochee Nature Center adds, “Once again we are looking forward to partnering with the Georgia Ensemble Theatre to bring this fantastic music to Roswell. The past two summers have allowed both organizations to grow our patron bases through working together and we do it very well. We can’t think of a better combination than our great outdoor center and the music of American legend Johnny Cash.”

Tickets are \$15 per person for general admission lawn seating, and \$30 for reserved table seating under the Pavilion. Seating is limited, so advance reservations are strongly encouraged. No group discounts available for this venue. Tickets are on sale now at www.get.org or by calling the Theatre at **770-641-1260**.

Ring of Fire, The Music of Johnny Cash is sponsored by **Macy’s**. Additional sponsorships are still available. Interested potential sponsors should contact Michael Van Osch at 770-641-1260 x234.

The Cast: *Ring of Fire, The Music of Johnny Cash* features the ensemble of **Christopher Damiano** (Million Dollar Quartet, Almost Heaven John Denver’s America), **Scott DePoy** (Almost Heaven John Denver’s America), **Christopher Kent** (Million Dollar Quartet), **Mark Schroeder** (Pump Boys & Dinettes) and **Laura Lindahl** making her GET debut.

MEDIA INVITATION: The media are invited to attend opening night of *Ring of Fire* on Thursday, July 13, 2017. Each member of the media is welcome to bring one guest. **Please confirm your reservation of one or two tickets in your RSVP. Email mvanosch@get.org by Friday, July 7, 2017.**

INTERVIEWS: Interviews with the Cast or Director may be arranged through Michael Van Osch, Resources Manager, at 770-641-1260 x234 or mvanosch@get.org.

ABOUT GEORGIA ENSEMBLE THEATRE: The Georgia Ensemble Theatre and Conservatory provides quality theatre productions and arts education to the north metro Atlanta area. The Company annually produces five mainstage productions, attended by more than 30,000 patrons, as well as three Theatre for Youth productions and year-round classes for all ages.

**Georgia Ensemble Theatre's Upcoming 25th Silver Anniversary Season - *It's Your Party!*
The 2017-2018 Mainstage Season**

September 14–October 1, 2017:

Once On This Island

By Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty
Directed and Choreographed by Ricardo Aponte
Musical Direction by S. Renee Clark

October 26–November 12, 2017:

Morningside

By Topher Payne
Directed by Shannon Eubanks

January 11–28, 2018:

Tenderly – The Rosemary Clooney Musical

Based on the life of Rosemary Clooney
By Janet Yates Vogt and Mark Friedman
Directed by Alan Kilpatrick

March 1–18, 2018:

A Comedy of Tenors

By Ken Ludwig
Directed by Shelly McCook

April 12–29, 2018:

Buddy – The Buddy Holly Story

By Alan Janes
Featuring the Music of Buddy Holly
Directed by Robert J. Farley

The FamilyStage: Adventure Series

The Jungle Book

By Greg Banks, adapted from the book by Rudyard Kipling
Performance on Saturdays at 11am – Sept. 16, 23, 30 and Apr 14, 21, 28

Miss Nelson is Missing!

by Joan Cushing, adapted from the book by Harry Allard
Performance on Saturdays 11am, Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 2017 and March 3, 10, 17, 2018

And Then They Came for Me: Remembering the World of Anne Frank

by James Still

Performance 6:30pm on March 13, 2018

The Giver

By Eric Coble, adapted from the book by Lois Lowry

Performance on Saturdays, 11am Jan. 13, 20, 23, 27, 2018

The Joe Gransden Big Band Series

Joe and his band are back for another series of big band jazz concerts at Georgia Ensemble Theatre. Dates for this popular series are:

October 30, 2017

December 18, 2017

March 12, 2018

April 23, 2018 For tickets or information, call **770-641-1260**, or visit us online at www.get.org.

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