What to do for your Valentine?

Wracking your brain for something different to surprise your Valentine with this year? Check out the 2nd annual Chicago Theatre Week 2014 starting February 11 through 16th.

New to this year's *Theatre Week* is a partnership with area hotels, which will be offering *Chicago Theatre Week* packages to include a hotel room and a pair of tickets to one of ten productions. So you'll be able to dazzle any Valentine with an experience at one of the many great theaters in the city.

Chicago Theatre Week is presented by the League of Chicago Theatres in partnership with Choose Chicago. "Theatre Week supports the effort to expand the visibility of theatre as a vital industry in Chicago. Theatre is an important part of what attracts visitors to this city and Choose Chicago is honored to participate in the development and promotion of the week-long event," says **Melissa Cherry, Choose Chicago's Vice President for Cultural Tourism and Neighborhoods.** "As we continue our work with the League of Chicago Theatres to make this year's week-long celebration even better, we are pleased that several Chicago hotels will be participating with theatre packages, making Chicago an ideal and affordable destination for theatre lovers." Or for lovers in general.

Participating hotels include Essex Inn, Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park, Park Hyatt Chicago, PUBLIC Chicago, Renaissance Blackstone Chicago, Thompson Chicago, and W Chicago City Centre. **Participating productions** include Blue Man Group, Briar Street Theatre; The Golden Dragon, Sideshow Theatre Company; The How and The Why, TimeLine Theatre Company; Luna Gale, Goodman Theatre; Million Dollar Quartet, Apollo Theater; The Phantom of the Opera, Broadway In Chicago; Rose and the Rime, The House Theatre of Chicago; Russian Transport, Steppenwolf Theatre Company; *The Second City's 102nd Revue*, The Second City; and Strangers, Babies, Steep Theatre.

So this Valentine's Day immerse yourself and that special loved one in the Chicago theatre scene. There are more than 250 theatres throughout Chicagoland, comprising a rich and varied community ranging from storefront, non-union theaters to the most renowned resident theatres in the country, including 5 that have been honored with Regional Tony Awards, and the largest touring Broadway organization in the nation.

Additional information about Chicago Theatre Week and booking instructions will be available at www.chicagotheatreweek.com. For a comprehensive list of Chicago productions, visit the League of Chicago Theatres website, www.chicagoplays.com. Half-price tickets are available each week at www.hottix.org. Forget the roses and see some theatre.