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# Photo Flash: In Rehearsal for THE MAGIC PLAY at Goodman Theatre

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World-class magic meets a human story of love and loss in the world premiere of The Magic Play by Andrew Hinderaker at Goodman Theatre, October 21 - November 20. Critically acclaimed magician, illusion designer and actor Brett Schneider portrays a rising young magician who must take the stage just hours after his partner has left him. Though a good magician must always be in control of his show, The Magician's performance begins to unravel, illuminating his offstage life, which may be as fragile as a house of cards. BroadwayWorld has a sneak peek at the cast in rehearsal below!

The part magic show, part play experience, directed by Halena Kays, features an astonishing ending with the audience helping to shape the final moments of the play. Chicago favorite Francis Guinan (The Father) and Sean Parris (The Diver) round out the three-person cast.

To further blur the lines of reality and the various worlds of the play, the creative team blends elements of lighting, projection, set and aerial technique to evoke a sense of magic, mystery and spectacle. The team includes Lizzie Bracken (Set Designer), Alison Siple (Costume Designer), Maggie Fullilove-Nugent (Lighting Designer), Christopher Kriz (Sound Designer), John Boesche (Projection Designer), Jim Steinmeyer (Magic Designer) and Sylvia Hernandez-DiStasi (Aerial Consultant). Kim Osgood is the Production Stage Manager.

The Magic Play, recommended for ages 13 and up, appears October 21 - November 20 in the Owen Theatre. Opening night is Tuesday, November 1. Tickets (\$10 - \$40; subject to change) are available at GoodmanTheatre.org/Magic, the box office (170 North Dearborn) or by phone at 312.443.3800.

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Brett Schneider (Magician)



Director Halena Kays



Sean Parris (Diver)



Francis Guinan (Father)



Sean Parris (Diver), Francis Guinan (Father), Brett Schneider (Magician) and Director Helena Kays



Brett Schneider (Magician)



Brett Schneider (Magician) and Sean Parris (Diver)