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HUNTINGTON THEATRE COMPANY'S NEW PRODUCTION CENTER TO BE LOCATED IN EVERETT

Mayor Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce that after an extensive search of the Greater Boston area for a new space, the Huntington Theatre Company Production Center will relocate to 46 Garden Street in Everett, Massachusetts effective July 1, 2017.

The new Huntington Theatre Company Production Center in Everett will include 25,000 square feet of production space, 18,000 square feet of storage space, and 4,000 square feet of office space, housing the company's prop, paint, and scenic shops. The new facility will feature large, open, and flexible work areas and onsite prop, costume, and scenery storage, allowing Huntington staff to produce more complex design work in a more efficient workspace, and to build upon the Huntington's community mission by expanding production services to other arts organizations and companies.

"I could not be more proud that the Huntington Theatre Company's production team is moving to Everett," says Mayor Carlo DeMaria. "Soon, we will be part of Boston's leading professional theatre and one of the region's premier cultural assets. I want to personally welcome the Huntington's artisans to Everett and want to thank Artistic Director Peter DuBois and Managing Director Michael Maso for choosing our community for the home of their new production facility."

Since 1982, the Huntington Theatre Company has shared its production facility with BU students and BU productions, while garnering a reputation for gorgeous and detailed production values for Huntington shows. The creation of the Huntington Production Center in Everett is the first step in a major transition for the Huntington, which includes plans to convert the Huntington Avenue Theatre (known as the BU Theatre until June 30) into a first-rate, modern theatre building with expanded services and amenities for audiences, artists, and the community.

The Huntington has worked with Leggat McCall Properties (Boston) to select the Everett

location and Dacon (Natick) to design and build out the site. Fit out construction work has begun and production operations will begin there full time in July.

“The Huntington’s production team has been searching for a new space since last May and we’re delighted to call Everett our new home,” says Huntington Production Manager Todd Williams. “And while this transition will have its challenges, the production team is looking forward to a workspace where an entire stage floor can be built and painted at one time – with no columns in the way! – and with room to paint both full size backdrops and set pieces simultaneously. The new production facility will allow our artisans the space they need to create their best work in the most efficient workspace possible.”

The Huntington plans a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Huntington Production Center in August, which will give members of the press and the public the opportunity to visit and tour the new facility. Further details will be announced this summer.

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