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## CLUE

THE HILARIOUS NEW STAGE PLAY WILL VISIT AKRON'S E.J. THOMAS HALL FROM
APRIL 23 TO APRIL 25, 2024

(Akron, OH) — *CLUE*, the hilarious murder mystery comedy inspired by the Hasbro board game and adapted from the fan-favorite film, comes to Akron from April 23 to April 25. Tickets are on sale now at <u>playhousesquare.org</u>.

The cast includes **Mariah Burks** as the Cook, **John Treacy Egan** as Colonel Mustard, **Michelle Elaine** as Miss Scarlet, **Joanna Glushak** as Mrs. Peacock, **Tari Kelly** as Mrs. White, **Mark Price** as Wadsworth, **John Shartzer** as Mr. Green, **Jonathan Spivey** as Professor Plum, **Alex Syiek** as Mr. Boddy, **Teddy Trice** as the Cop, and **Elisabeth Yancey** as Yvette. The understudies are **Greg Balla**, **Alison Ewing**, **Mary McNulty** and **James Taylor Odom**.

Led by Broadway Director **Casey Hushion** (Associate Director of *Mean Girls* and *The Prom,* Associate Resident Director of *Aladdin,* choreography for the Netflix series "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt"), murder and blackmail are on the menu when six mysterious guests assemble at Boddy Manor for a night they'll never forget! Was it Mrs. Peacock in the study with the knife? Or was it Colonel Mustard in the library with the wrench? Based on the fan-favorite 1985 Paramount Pictures movie and inspired by the classic Hasbro board game, *CLUE* is the ultimate whodunit that will leave you dying of laughter and keep you guessing until the final twist.

**CLUE** is based on the screenplay by **Jonathan Lynn**. Written by **Sandy Rustin** with additional material by **Hunter Foster** and **Eric Price**. It features original music by **Michael Holland**.

The production also features scenic design by **Lee Savage**, costume design by **Jen Caprio**, lighting design by **Ryan O'Gara** and sound design by **Jeff Human**.

The *CLUE* franchise began in 1949 with the manufacture of the 'Cluedo' board game. Currently owned and published by **Hasbro**, the game has since sold more than 200 million copies worldwide. A murder-mystery comedy film by **Paramount Pictures** based on the board game was released in 1985 and went on to achieve cult classic status with a passionate fanbase.

The North American tour of *CLUE* is produced by **The Araca Group**, **Work Light Productions**, **Lively McCabe Entertainment** and **Aged in Wood**.

Originally produced at Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pennsylvania, Alexander Fraser, Robyn Goodman, Josh Fiedler, Producers. Developed by Cleveland Playhouse, Laura Kepley, Artistic Director & Kevin Moore, Managing Director.

**CLUE:** A New Comedy will play at E.J. Thomas Hall on the University of Akron campus for three performances, April 23 to April 25. Show times are Monday -Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for all performances are available at <u>playhousesquare.org</u> or by calling 216-241-6000. Group orders of 10 or more may be placed by calling 216-640-8600. **CLUE:** A New Comedy is part of the 2023-2024 Broadway in Akron Series.

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