



THE BOSTON CONSERVATORY

MUSIC DANCE THEATER

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THE BOSTON CONSERVATORY TO PERFORM AT THE MIDWAY STUDIOS IN SOUTH BOSTON DURING THE 2009-2010 SEASON

(BOSTON) The Boston Conservatory, the internationally renowned college offering degrees in music, dance and musical theater, will perform at the Midway Studios in South Boston during the 2009-2010 academic and performance season. The Conservatory is temporarily closing operations at its theater building at 31 Hemenway Street to allow for construction of the Hemenway Project, a major expansion and renovation project that will add 16,000 square feet of new rehearsal and studio performance space, air conditioning, handicapped accessibility, improved seating and a host of technical upgrades in its 300-seat theater. During this construction period, scheduled to last May 2009 through September 2010, the Conservatory will maintain its regular performance schedule, moving the majority of its mainstage productions to Midway Studios.

According to Richard Ortner, president of the Conservatory, "Midway Studios is located in the heart of a vibrant, historic artist neighborhood of Boston and presents a great opportunity for our students to work in a new environment and for the Conservatory to further expand its audience."

Developed by a joint venture of the Fort Point Cultural Coalition and Keen Development, Midway Studios is the city's largest artist building. In addition to 89 artist/live work studios, the building includes a flexible theater space, home to performances by the Actors Shakespeare Company, the Fort Point Theatre Channel and other groups, in recent months.

"We are thrilled to have an organization as unique as The Boston Conservatory here in residence at our studio next season," says Anita Lauricella, president at Fort Point Cultural Coalition, Inc. "We look forward to working together to co-promote and increase reach and visibility for both of our organizations."

For more information about the Hemenway Project, visit:

www.bostonconservatory.edu/hemenwayproject.

About The Boston Conservatory

The Boston Conservatory trains exceptional young performing artists for careers that enrich and transform the human experience. Known for its intimate and supportive multi-disciplinary environment, The Boston Conservatory offers fully accredited graduate and undergraduate programs in music, dance and theater, and presents more than 200 performances each year by students, faculty and guest artists. Since its founding in 1867, The Boston Conservatory has shared its talent and creativity with the city of Boston, the region and the nation, and continues to grow today as a vibrant community of artists and educators. For more information, visit www.bostonconservatory.edu.

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