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**HOEDOWN AT THE 5TH AVENUE THEATRE:
RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S OKLAHOMA!
AS IT'S NEVER BEEN SEEN BEFORE!**

February 3 – March 4, 2012

Music by Richard Rodgers; Book & Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II

Directed by Peter Rothstein

WHAT: There's a bright golden haze in Seattle, and it's coming from the lights of **The 5th Avenue Theatre!** The famed home of Broadway-quality musicals in the Pacific Northwest is partnering with Tony Award-nominated choreographer **Donald Byrd** and his acclaimed **Spectrum Dance Theater** to bring a glorious reinvention of **Rodgers & Hammerstein's Oklahoma!** to big-hearted, high-kicking life. Packed with much-loved familiar favorites such as "Oh What a Beautiful Mornin'," "I Cain't Say No," "People will Say We're in Love," and of course, "Oklahoma," this joyous musical is a wholesome slice of Americana, a celebration of a young and growing nation filled with possibility. **Oklahoma!** is directed by **Peter Rothstein** and will feature a host of 5th Avenue favorites including **Eric Ankrim** as the charming cowhand Curly, **Anne Allgood** as Aunt Eller, and **Matt Owen** as Will Parker.

Honoring **Rodgers & Hammerstein's Oklahoma!** as the embodiment of the American musical, **The 5th Avenue Theatre** is thrilled to invite Seattle residents to a free community day on **Sunday, February 5**. Attendees will enjoy free classes, tours, food, and more. Additionally, in mid-March an all-youth production of **Oklahoma!** will take over The 5th Avenue stage for a limited run, with local youngsters singing the songs and dancing the steps that make this musical one greatest of all time.

WHEN: **Previews:** February 3 – February 8, 2012
Community Day: February 5, 2012
Opening Night: February 9, 2012 (*press night*)
Closing Performance: March 4, 2012
All-Student Production: March 16-17, 2012

SHOW Tuesdays & Wednesdays – 7:30 PM

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TIMES: Thursdays & Fridays – 8:00 PM
Saturdays – 2:00 PM & 8:00 PM
Sundays – 1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
*No Sunday evening performances on 2/26 and 3/4.
Added performances on 2/23 at 1:30 PM*

WHERE: **The 5th Avenue Theatre** (1308 5th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101)

TICKETS: Single tickets start at \$29.00. For more information, or to purchase tickets please visit www.5thavenue.org or call the box office at (206) 625-1900. Tickets may also be purchased by calling (888) 5TH-4TIX.

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