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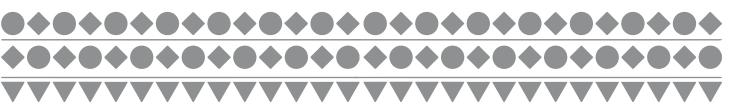
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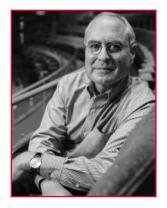
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# FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR/CEO TODD HAIMES

OOD EVENING AND WELCOME TO ROUNDABOUT'S 2020 GALA, WHERE WE CELEBRATE THREE EXTRAORDINARY MEMBERS OF OUR ROUNDABOUT FAMILY. TONIGHT, WE WILL PRESENT ALAN CUMMING WITH THE JASON ROBARDS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THEATRE AND MICHAEL KORS AND LANCE LE PERE WITH THE OVATION AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PHILANTHROPY.

What can I say about Alan Cumming? Honestly, this man and dear friend helped change the course of Roundabout's history when he stepped off the plane from London and into a pair of suspenders at the Kit Kat Club at Studio 54. That was in 1998, when Alan received numerous awards - including the Tony - for his unforgettable and iconic performance as the Emcee in the first of our two productions of Cabaret. Of course, that was just the beginning, and he has gone on to enthrall audiences with his performances on television shows like "The Good Wife" and "Instinct," in films like Titus and Spy Kids and in more theatre like his one-man Macbeth and The Threepenny Opera. He is a true force of nature, and I am forever grateful that he has chosen to be a part of our family - he is a truly deserving recipient of the Robards Award

Michael Kors and Lance Le Pere joined Roundabout in the late nineties, when we moved into (and later purchased) Studio 54 - it's fitting that we honor them in the same year as Alan Cumming. Over the years, they have provided generous financial support that has paved the way for more than a dozen musicals to be produced on our stages. In honor of our 50th Anniversary, they made a very significant gift which directly supports our Musical Production Fund. It was my great pleasure to name our new Sondheim Theatre donor lounge in their honor. Their incredible support and

friendship has meant so much to me and everyone at Roundabout, and I couldn't be more thrilled to present them with the Ovation Award.

I also want to thank Alan's co-star from our production of The Threepenny Opera, music legend Cyndi Lauper who made time in her very busy schedule to be with us tonight. I know she has an amazing performance in store for all of us.

There are many others I wish to thank including our Board of Directors, Leadership Council, donors, subscribers, friends and theatre-goers whose support allows us to do our work. Specifically, I thank our incredible Gala Co-Chairs: Samantha Rudin Earls and David Earls and Johannes (Johs) Worsoe, Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group for their efforts in making this evening our most successful ever. Their leadership has allowed us to raise much needed funds which benefit the work we do on our stages and our programs in the community. I also must thank American Airlines for sponsoring our Private Artist Reception earlier tonight as well as Capital One for their generous matching gift towards our Education programs. Finally, I wish to thank the entire Roundabout family of artists, directors, writers, and designers who work with us each season. As one of the largest cultural institutions in the country, we rely on the support of all of you, and I want to thank you for being here to celebrate Alan, Michael, Lance and Roundabout.

# FROM THE GALA CHAIRS

**ELCOME TO ROUNDABOUT'S 2020 GALA. WE ARE HONORED** TO SERVE AS CO-CHAIRS AS WE **PAY TRIBUTE TO ALAN CUMMING, MICHAEL KORS** AND LANCE LE PERE.





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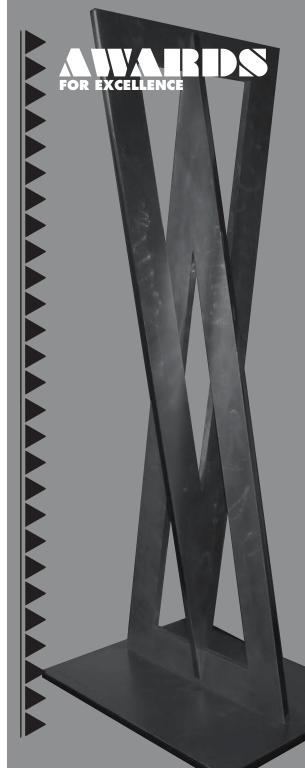
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The Jason Robards Award for Excellence in Theatre is given to individuals and organizations who have made an indelible impact on the theatre world. It is named to honor his lifelong commitment to theatre and his incredible support of Roundabout both on stage and off.

In 1994, Jason Robards made his Roundabout debut in the first New York revival of Harold Pinter's No Man's Land with his dear friend. Christopher Plummer. Soon after, he and Chris joined Roundabout's Board of Directors and worked tirelessly to support Artistic Director Todd Haimes' idea to create a second, Off-Broadway stage that would be a home to new plays by today's greatest writers. He became our distinguished Artist-in-Residence during the inaugural 1995-96 season at the Laura Pels Theatre with performances in Pinter's Moonlight and Brian Friel's Molly Sweeney and served as a member of Roundabout's Board until his death in 2000.

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The Roundabout Theatre Company Ovation Award for Excellence in Philanthropy is awarded to those who are committed to promoting the essential work of a cultural not-for-profit, like Roundabout: spotlighting classics from the past, cultivating new works of the present, and educating minds for the future.

The Ovation Award was introduced in 2017 to recipient Dr. Leonard Tow to honor individuals who have made a commitment to growing New York City arts and culture with their philanthropic giving to Roundabout and the theatre community.

The award was designed by sculptor Arthur Carter, whose bronze and steel sculptures have been exhibited in New York, Paris, and around the globe.

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BY MICHAEL SCHULMAN

Alan Cumming is more than a performer—he's a way of life. A man of seemingly no inhibitions, he brings a spirit of freedom and mischief to everything he does. All of which made him the ideal match for the Emcee in *Cabaret*, a role he has played three times, first at London's Donmar Warehouse and then in two Roundabout productions on Broadway. Offstage, he plays the Emcee in other ways. His post-show dressingroom party at Cabaret turned into a popular bar and performance space in the East Village, where he now acts as Pied Piper to the downtown demimonde.

VIM CODD SSMAGG ADDER

Background: Cabaret, 1998, from left, Leenya Rideout, Alan Cumming, and Michelle Pawk. Photo by Joan Marcus Although his prolific acting career includes film (Circle of Friends), television ("The Good Wife"), and his own touring cabaret act (Alan Cumming Sings Sappy Songs), the theatre has called him back time and time again. Not long ago, this year's winner of Roundabout's Jason Robards Award for Excellence in Theatre sat on the sunny top floor of the East Village townhouse he shares with his husband, Grant Shaffer. With his dog Lala cradled in his arms, he looked back on his career as the perennial life of the party.

# MICHAEL SCHULMAN You first did Cabaret in 1993. Can you give a snapshot of your life then?

**ALAN CUMMING** | I was sort of a young, up-andcoming British starlet. I'd won an Olivier Award for Accidental Death of an Anarchist at the National. I'd done a few films that were quite popular, and I was doing Hamlet, too. But when Sam [Mendes] asked me to do Cabaret, I turned it down. I was, like, "Oh, I don't do musicals." In those days, there was a big divide between "straight" theatre and musicals. When I did it at the Donmar, musical people were pissed off that some little "straight" actor-ironically-would be doing that role.

# MS | How did Sam convince you to do it?

AC | Basically, he assuaged my worries. I'd been in *Cabaret* once before—I'd played Cliff in rep once in Scotland—so I knew all the writings of Christopher Isherwood. I don't know, I felt that it wasn't serious enough for me. I was having a very difficult time in my life as well. I was about to have a nervous breakdown. My marriage broke up. I was very concerned about the darkness of the show and, interestingly, I was having a very dark time in my life. I said, "If I was to do this, Sally Bowles should not be fabulous. The Emcee should not be

cute. These people were pox-ridden and dirty and scraping away." And Sam was very much like, "That's why I want to do it."

# MS | The Emcee had already been played memorably by Joel Grey. Did you have any trepidation about making the part your own?

AC | It wasn't until I came to America with it, five years later, that all that happened. Obviously, his performance, especially in the film, is hugely famous, but it wasn't such a presence in London. When I came to New York, I said in an interview, "I've never talked so much about someone I've never met." And he wrote me a note saying, "I come home every night and my answering machine is full of people saying how fabulous you are!"

# MS | Let's back up. Roundabout brought the Donmar's production to New York City in 1998. Do you remember finding out that it was going to Broadway?

AC | When I finished Cabaret the first time, I thought I never wanted to do any theatre ever again.

# MS Why not?

AC | Because I was so exhausted. I just thought, "I can't do this, it's just too much," after Hamlet and Cabaret. Those are two taxing roles.

# **MS** So what convinced you?

AC | I wasn't quite finished with it, you know? I am a man of urges. When I did it in London, everyone around me was saying, "Oh, it's this great thing," and I wasn't in a place to be able to see that, because my life was changing so much outside of it. So then, when I heard I could do it again, I thought not only that I could do it better, but also I would actually like to understand why. It was very much a second chance.

# MS What kind of people were you meeting, once you were in this hit show on Broadway?

**AC** | We were in that tiny theatre, now the Stephen Sondheim Theatre, and it hadn't been a theatre for a long time. It was a club. It was so grungy backstage. My dressing room had a chaise lounge, and I could actually be on the chaise lounge and have my hand in the sink. One day they said, "Steven Spielberg and his wife are here to meet you, and they're with Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger." It was like that every night. One time, I accidentally asked Walter Cronkite up to dance. In the bit where I went into the audience, I'd always ask people up to dance. I thought he was just an old guy and didn't really get a look at him. And then the audience went nuts! I remember thinking, "Wow, American people are so supportive of their elderly."

### MS That's fantastic.

AC | I was overwhelmed. Imagine: never having experienced that, away from home, on my own, in a new city. I would cry in the shower—it's a great way to get your makeup off and also, you



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Cabaret, 1998, Alan Cumming with Natasha Richardson. Photo by Joan Marcus



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Cabaret, 2014, Alan Cumming with the company. Photo by Joan Marcus

know, cleanse yourself. One time I was crying in the shower and there was someone banging on the door going, "Come on, I wanna meet this guy!" It was Whoopi Goldberg, and she was so determined to meet me. It also felt so pressing because the Clinton impeachment was happening, and this whole country was reeling from revelations of some sexual indiscretion. So for us to be doing this very sexualized thing on Broadway was really interesting. I think the two great messages of the play are to embrace difference and people who are different to you for whatever reason-sexuality, color, creed, whatever-but also to be vigilant about extremism.

# **MS** | That year, Cabaret won four Tony Awards, including yours for Best Performance by a Leading Actor in a Musical. What do you remember about that night?

AC | I took Camryn Manheim as my date, because we'd done Romy and Michele's High School Reunion together, and she said, "I've never been to the Tonys. I'd love to go one day." Rosie O'Donnell was hosting, and she said, "Okay, winners, from now on keep your speeches short, because we're way out of time." When I won, Camryn was so excited she pulled me into her ample bosom. The first thing I thought was: Boob. And then I was trying to pull away, because I was, like, "I've got to be fast!" I remember walking into Cafe Un Deux Trois for the Roundabout party and everyone cheering. I remember calling my mom to tell her, crying, and she'd already heard on the news in Scotland. Then I remember going out with my friends, and we had a competition to see

how many people we could make out with. I was merciless. I went, "I won a Tony tonight—do you want to make out with me?"

# MS Let's talk about the third time you did Cabaret, in 2014. What appealed to you about playing the character again after so much time?

**AC** | It was right around the time when there was this movement of "populism." There was the anti-gay stuff in Russia, and the rise in reaction to Obama that now has spawned the situation we're in now. Also, I knew I was going to turn fifty during it, and I just thought, maybe I won't get the chance to do this again. It felt like fun. I also felt that sixteen years later, the sensationalist parts of the production-the sexuality, which had been very shocking in 1998-weren't as shocking now. It was still sexy, but it wasn't like, "Oh, my God, we've never seen anything like this." I think that allowed the darkness of the play to be more prominent. I think it was a better show for that.

# MS | Did you feel like the character had changed as well?

AC | Yeah. I felt like he was less impish and more weathered—but still fabulous-looking, of course.

# **MS** During your second go-round on Broadway in Cabaret, you threw a party in your dressing room every single night. How did that start?

AC | I was filming "The Good Wife" during the day, and I realized, oh, my God, I'm going to have no fun! I'm not going to get to go out after the show! So I thought, I'll just make the party come to me.

# MS I went twice. The first time Monica Lewinsky was there, and the second time Meryl Streep was there. Somewhere within Studio 54 was this hot nightclub again. AC | People thought it

create in that bar.

AC | I know! It still feels like it's in my dressing room. You just have to pay for the drinks now.

**MS** Between those two times doing Cabaret, you did a couple of other Roundabout productions, including Noël Coward's Design for Living, in 2001. What appealed to you about that?

was an actual nightclub. They would ask at the box office for tickets to Club Cumming, and the box office was like, "You know, it's just his dressing room." And then I got a neon sign made. I started



calling it Club Cumming. I'd say to the ensemble, "You coming to Club Cumming tonight, kids?" I would do soup nights on Wednesdays. I didn't really make the soup-I sort of directed it. And then at the Edinburgh Festival I did my show Alan Cumming Sings Sappy Songs for three weeks, and I did a Club Cumming thing. We had Italian break-dancers. It was just amazing. Then we opened a real bar. The spirit of what happened in my dressing room in Studio 54 is what I wanted to

# MS | It's incredible that the party in your dressing room at Cabaret turned into a real venue in the East Village.





AC | It was about two years after I'd done Cabaret, and I thought it was time to do theatre again. It was also about a topic that I find fascinating-I still do-about how you maneuver relationships if you're not a conventional person. That play, ninety years ago, was dealing with all that. In the twenties and thirties, even in America and in Germany, there was this huge rise in progressive thinking: politically, socially, sexually-and it all went away. I'm interested in the way that history undulates.

# MS | And then you played Macheath in The Threepenny Opera, in 2006.

AC | I've always loved Brecht and Weill. It's a really tough part vocally. Doing a role of that magnitude as a singer was something that changed me. Also



"IF I DIDN'T **DO THEATRE** FOR TOO LONG, SOMETHING WOULD BE LACKING IN ME."

Top: Alan Cumming in Design for Living. Photo by Joan Marcus

Far left: Alan Cumming with Cyndi Lauper in The Threepenny Opera. Photo by Joan Marcus

Left: National Theatre of Scotland, The Bacchae Photo by Richard Campbell

doing it with Cyndi Lauper, who is very conscious about her voice, really helped me a lot with my voice. I still do exercises when I sing concerts that she taught me. Brecht is difficult. He basically tells the audience, "You are shit for coming to the theatre." It's difficult for us to understand him now. because we're so used to just thinking of theatre as entertainment only. That's what I felt was great about Cabaret. Actually, all the plays I've done for

Roundabout. I thought that about Design for Living as well: it pissed people off. It provoked them and unsettled them. In The Threepenny Opera, we didn't do a curtain call, which I thought was brilliant. The audience was furious, because they weren't allowed to make it just another nice night at the theatre. And the reason they were denied that was to make them think. That's why I think Roundabout is so great. It can afford to put things on Broadway that are not only there because of their financial recouping ability. That's why I want to work there.

# **MS** | Is it complicated to balance theatre, television, and movies?

AC | It is complicated. But everything's complicated. If I didn't do theatre for too long, something would be lacking in me. That's why I've started to do concerts. I get this really great fix of connecting with an audience. Look, I've got this on my arm. [He reveals a tattoo saying "ONLY CONNECT." It's E.M. Forster, from Howards End. And it's completely about feeling that connection with people. For Alan Cumming Sings Sappy Songs, I started going out to parts of America that I feel I might have not felt welcomed in. And you realize that it's wrong to think that because a state votes a certain way everybody in that state thinks a certain way. It's been really great, going to places that are not London and New York and Scotland, where I don't know the lay of the land and I go out and I make myself very vulnerable both in my life and my political thinking. That's been great theatre for me.

# MS You're often described as a free spirit, and that sometimes is reflected in the roles you play, whether it's the Emcee or Dionysus in The Bacchae. Do you see yourself in that way?

lovely? 🔶



**AC** | I'm a very functioning free spirit. One time in Edinburgh, when I was doing Club Cumming, I started to crowd surf. It's such a great feeling. You just let go and you give yourself over. Grant was in New York, and my friend Eddie said, "God, Alan's crowd surfing in Edinburgh. Are you not terrified?" And Grant said, "Of course I'm terrified. But Alan is a butterfly, and we have to let him fly." Isn't that



Photo by David M. Russell/CBS via Getty Images



# **MICHAEL KORS AND LANCE LE PERE** LIKE TO SEE THE

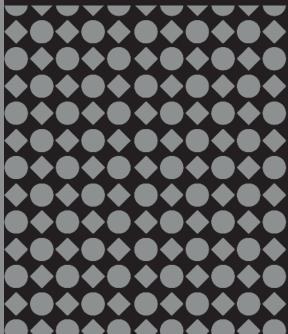
# **BY JACKSON MCHENRY**

Few things get Michael Kors and his husband and collaborator Lance Le Pere as excited as a classic done well, whether it's a staple of your wardrobe crafted well – and, of course, with the best fabric – or a piece of theatre that's been revived and recast in a new light. Kors and Le Pere spend their days contemplating fashion classics, while also pushing things forward with inventive new ideas. For the theatrical side of the equation, they often look to Roundabout Theatre Company where they've seen many a well-known

### "AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK WE TRY TO SEE [THEATRE], AND IT'S A TOTAL ESCAPE."

Above: (L-R) Michael Kors and Lance Le Pere at Theatre District dining staple Joe Allen Restaurant. Photo by Rebecca Smeyne/The New York Times/Redux

Opposite: (L-R) Lance Le Pere and Michael Kors pose on the Michael Kors Fall 2019 runway. Photo by Dimitrios Kambouris/Getty Images



show done in ways that have surprised them and found more than a few new discoveries. As devout fans who try to go to the theatre at least once a week and have seen as many iterations of **Roundabout's production of Cabaret as** they could, Kors and Le Pere have also made the theatre company a central part of their philanthropy. "We get so much joy out of theatre," Kors said, "we want to make sure that this continues in a robust way." At the end of a workday at their offices, the two discussed how they came to love the medium, some of their favorite shows, and what fashion and theatre can learn from each other.

### JACKSON McHENRY | What got you interested in theatre in the first place?

MICHAEL KORS | We grew up very differently. I grew up here in New York, in the suburbs. Lance grew up in the suburbs of St. Louis. Midwest versus New York. I think the first show that I saw was Annie Get Your Gun when I was six, and it was Ethel Merman. I had no idea that that was not the norm. I thought, "Wow, this is theatre." It became something that I was fully enraptured with, and my family loved going to the theatre. They talked about it, it was part of the conversation at the table, and the magic hooked me early.

**LANCE LE PERE** | My parents had season tickets for The Muny and the Fox Theatre in St. Louis. It was very similar, sitting at the table talking about it. My sister was in theatre so I was exposed to it that way.

**MK** | And you were in The King and I.

LLP | And I was in The King and I, in her high school production. That was my really big break. I was one of the kids.

**MK** | With the lamé donut on his head! For me, it was the escape. I love to travel, so does Lance. When people say, "Well, I don't know, the theatre's expensive. Such a time commitment." I say, "It's a lot cheaper than a trip and it's a lot less time consuming. Just escape and go to the theatre."

### JM What about Roundabout's approach to theatre has resonated with you?

**MK** | I always think that you can do something classic and find a different way to do it because it changes with the times. I've been in business since 1981, and if I could count how many navy peacoats I've made, how many khaki trench coats, gray flannel trousers, white shirts. For Roundabout early on, Lance and I both were always jolted and excited to see a new take on something you thought was familiar. They consistently find this balance between new works and reimagining something that you'd seen a million times. They prove that you can creatively reimagine something that seems so familiar, like a trench coat or gray flannel trousers.

LLP | Or Cabaret, for instance. How many times do you think we've seen it?

**MK** | Oh my God, I think we saw it with every cast change. We saw Emma, we saw Michelle, we saw Sienna. We went to all of them. I think the two of us could probably repeat every line from the movie, certainly. At first, I was like "Well, what are they



aoing to do with it? How are you going to take something that's so iconic?" Then you walked in and you thought, Sam Mendes found a whole different approach.

**LLP** | And each actress brought a different approach to Sally Bowles.

**MK** | It shows you when something's great not only does it stand the test of time, but you can see it unfold in a different way. It's like going to Kiss Me, Kate! You think to yourself, "How are we going to deal with Kiss Me, Kate! in a Me Too era?" We sat there and were like so knocked out that it was reimagined, but still true to what was beautifully done in the first place. That's the magic of Roundabout.

We'd have a collection where we'd reimagine a certain part of your wardrobe, and then have another part of it that's fully surprising, and you've

### JM Do you have a favorite performer or writer that you discovered through Roundabout shows?

MK | Zachary Levi, when we saw She Loves Me. | knew him, but I didn't know him in that way. Now of course he's a superhero. It's always interesting to look at someone who you wouldn't have really imagined that way, and then to see the talent up there. We both walked out after She Loves Me and we were like, "Could you believe he just did that?" When I looked into his history, it made more sense. But they saw that in him, which is nice to surprise.

never owned anything like it. You don't say, "Oh, I have a pair of gold python thigh-high boots." Well, maybe most people don't.

**LLP** | Some people might.

**MK** | Roundabout throws you a curveball that way.



### JM How do you think about giving to Roundabout in terms of your larger approach to philanthropy?

**MK** | I think right now more than ever that the only time that we actually disengage from our phones and from being overwhelmed by too much information is when we go to the theatre, and I know that's what it does for us.

**LLP** | At least once a week we try to see something, and it's a total escape. I think turning off your phone is amazing in today's world. Because you're totally focused on the story.

**MK** | So for me, I want to make sure that what in fact could seem like a disappearing art form is sustained, because we're living in a time where, you know, does anyone have patience? Can anyone sit still? Can anyone disengage? There's a balance also, in the theatre world, between the things that you sense are going to be more easily digestible commercially

versus things that maybe are new that people don't know about. We saw Violet, and I didn't know Violet. You want to make sure that great not-for-profit theatre not only exists but thrives, so that you can see a production like Violet and then you could see a redone Cabaret or Kiss Me, Kate! Do both.

### JM Are there things you've learned from the world of theatre that you've applied to your approach to fashion?

**MK** | Putting on a fashion show is theatre.

**LLP** | We can certainly be inspired by the set or even the mood, not necessarily the clothes.

**MK** | I think it's the spirit of a show. Sometimes if we've had a long day and we go directly to the theatre from work, we're tired. So it's like, "Hit me with a pow!" That kind of excitement and jolt, whatever it might be, when you sit down in the theatre and something starts and it's riveting. We certainly remember that when we put on a fashion show. The minute it starts, rivet the audience. You have to or you're not going to engage them.

The funny thing is, after all these years knowing so many actors and dressing so many of the women who are on the stage, they all always say the same thing to us. They're like, "You don't have a rehearsal. We don't understand it." I'm like, "We are raw theatre." It's one night only.

LLP | No rehearsal.

**MK** | The most that we do before a fashion show is that we will make sure the models can walk in their shoes. That's it. That's the extent.

LLP | And walk in the clothes that they're wearing.

**MK** | Then inevitably something happens anyway, so it's live theatre.

**LLP** | We had a show once where the lights didn't go on, like Gisele. She was walking out in Paris, and she was halfway down the runway and the lights aren't on.

**MK** | The audience thought it was a theatrical effect. I think it's also storytelling, what we do. Theatre is not as concrete. Theatre is storytelling, and hopefully gets your mind and your heart and your soul moving. What we do has to do that, plus you have to put it on and look in the mirror and say, "I'm feeling good." Ours is more practical, more pragmatic. Maybe the escape of the theatre and the fact that it's not so concrete is part of the thrill.

## JM Are there things from your expertise in fashion that you'd want to see applied in theatre?

**MK** | I think that sometimes people think to tell a story in a captivating way you need a lot of bells and whistles. We've learned in fashion, sometimes the woman who walks into a party wearing the most perfectly cut black trousers and white shirt -

**LLP** | — and the most beautiful fabric.

**MK** | The quality is there. That's what's riveting. Sometimes people think that commercially in the theatre it's got to tap dance, whistle, go crazy, because people need all that stuff. I think we've seen a lot of remarkable things on stage that weren't all that elaborate.

**LLP** | If it's well written, well performed, you don't need much more.

**MK** | I go back to *Cabaret*. When Alan came into the audience at Studio 54...

**MK** | Sometimes the bells and whistles, certainly they do help tremendously tell the story. Sometimes that's just extraneous and we don't need it, because you notice the auality.

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**MK** | So I think it's a great time for the theatre. I think it's a really great time for the theatre, and we want to make sure that people still feel the freedom to explore doing things in a new way. We saw The Rose Tattoo the other night, and I think we're the only people on the planet who have never seen Anna Magnani do The Rose Tattoo, but we had a friend with us who knew the movie very, very well and said, "This is totally different than the movie." I said, "That's the best part." We discovered it and we didn't know it because it was genuinely new to us, and our friend knew it and discovered something new. If you can do that, you won. 🔶

LLP | All you needed was him.

# JM Are there things in the world of theatre that you're particularly excited about right

**MK** | I'm thrilled that we're seeing more women in the director's chair and the writer's chair. I think women can tell a story from a different vantage point. I think we're seeing just more diversity in general in the theatre. People from different backgrounds, different countries. I think that those voices, especially when we think about the classics, those people can bring a different perspective.

**LLP** | And make it relevant today.

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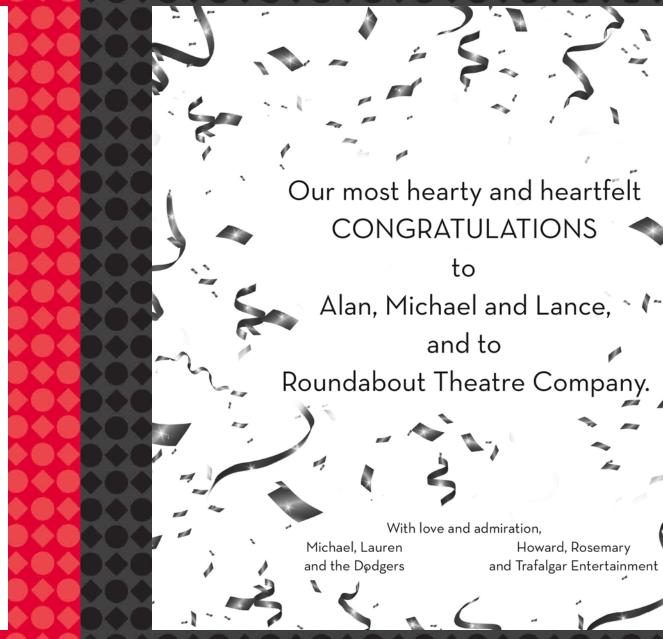
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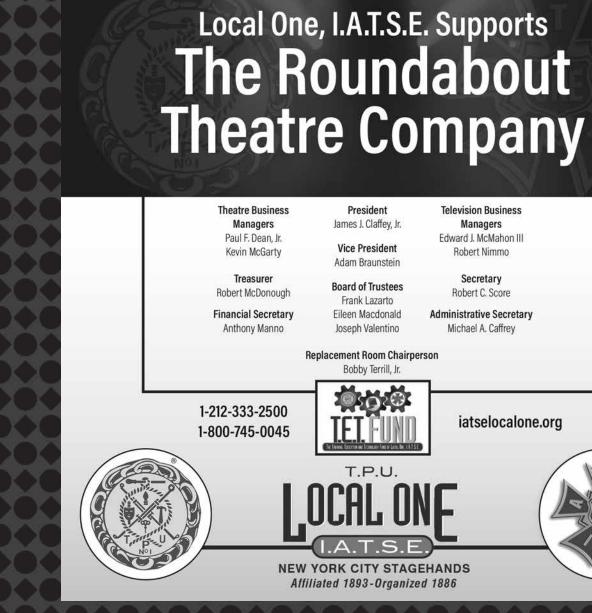


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We congratulate tonight's honorees and dear friends to Roundabout: the remarkable Alan Cumming for his unforgettable performances on stage, and Michael Kors and Lance Le Pere for their unwavering encouragement and dedication to the theatre.

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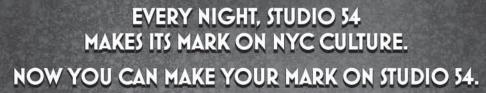
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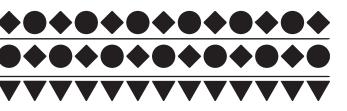
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Winner must be 16 or older. Walk-on must be on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday after June 7, 2020. **VALUE:** Priceless (Estimated cost of goods and services received: \$1,114) DONATED BY: Mrs. Doubtfire, Jerry Zaks, Kevin McCollum **OPENING BID: \$8,000** 



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The most important and influential musical theatre composer of our lifetime, Stephen Sondheim will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 22. In honor of the occasion, he'd like to offer this one-of-a-kind gift for one special fan. Here's how it works: You pick eight bars of your favorite Sondheim song, and Stephen will hand-write those eight bars, just for you. Don't miss this opportunity to own a personalized piece of signed, framed musical art that you'll cherish forever. (With so many songs to choose from, the hardest part is choosing just eight bars!)

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** Must be redeemed by March 2, 2021. **VALUE:** Priceless DONATED BY: Stephen Sondheim OPENING BID: \$10,000

# WINE AND DINE ON A **BROADWAY STAGE WITH DEBRA MESSING AND ANDRE BRAUGHER!**

You're invited to an evening of delicious food, incredible wine and a whole lot of laughter. That's right, we're throwing a fun-filled dinner party for you and 13 guests of your choosing right on the American Airlines Theatresm stage, home of Roundabout's new Broadway play Birthday Candles. You'll be hosted by the stars of the show themselves, TV legends Debra Messing ("Will & Grace," "Smash") and Andre Braugher ("Brooklyn Nine-Nine," "BoJack Horseman") as well as Roundabout Artistic Director and CEO (and fantastic dinner party guest) Todd Haimes. Enjoy dinner courtesy of Pinch Food Design and wine pairings by Golden Ram.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** Must be on a mutually agreeable Sunday evening between April 26, 2020 and June 14, 2020.

**VALUE:** Priceless (Estimated cost of goods and services received: \$6,000)

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# **WEEK-LONG ADRIATIC YACHT TRIP FOR TWELVE!**

Cruise the Adriatic Sea in style aboard your private yacht, AIAXAIA. For one week, you and up to 11 guests will relax in the lap of luxury on this state-of-the-art sailing vessel. Extravagance and comfort were the guiding design principles for this beautiful yacht. 151 ft. in length, this sailing yacht guarantees modern luxury with six generous guest cabins, numerous amenities including a jacuzzi and sauna, recreational activities, an onboard chef, and personal attention to every client's wishes. AIAXAIA delivers for passionate sailors, gastronomy lovers, sports enthusiasts and sun worshipers. To sum it up in one word: enjoyment.

Travel the must-see spots on the Croatian coastline on an AIAXAIA itinerary, marveling at the turquoise water, terracotta rooftops and Mediterranean charm. Or, create a custom Adriatic itinerary in conjunction with your captain. The journey is up to you! All you have to do is soak up the sun and relax.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** Valid for one week during the 2021 season, Saturday 4pm embarking to Saturday 10am disembarking, from late May to early October. Includes captain, sailors, 3 service staff, housekeeping, chef and 4 motor hours per day. Not included: food and drinks, fuel beyond 4 hours/day, port fees, excursions, land transfers and crew tips. Itinerary to be agreed upon by winner. **VALUE:** €100,000 OPENING BID: \$40,000

# ROUNDABOUT THEATRE COMPANY GALA 2020

# AT ROUNDABOUT



or over 20 years, Education at Roundabout has changed the lives of over 250,000 students and teachers in New York and beyond. Providing a wellrounded education, rich in the arts, is the only way to ensure that our young people will be prepared and engaged to face an ever-changing world. Programs like the Roundabout Youth Ensemble help students develop skills to succeed, teaching them to think critically and creatively about their worldview and how they interact with others. Through our Theatrical Teaching Institute and other professional development programs, Education at Roundabout is dedicated to helping teachers adapt Common Core Standards and infuse their lessons with touchpoints in the arts. In 2016, Roundabout established the Theatrical Workforce Development Program to provide pathways to technical careers in entertainment, offering hands-on training and job placement. Every gift will vastly impact the lives of students and young adults by improving graduation rates and creating new opportunities for success. Thank you for making a difference.

**\$25,000** underwrites the salary of one Theatrical Workforce Development Fellow for a year of hands-on skills training at Roundabout.

**\$15,000** underwrites a School Partnership, bringing skilled Teaching Artists to classroom residencies.

**\$10,000** distributes 10,000 Upstage Guides to help students connect theatre to the world around them.

**\$5,000** supports one NYC high school student's participation in the Roundabout Youth Ensemble for a full season.

**\$2,500** enables two teachers to participate in the intensive Theatrical Teaching Institute.

**\$1,000** allows public school students to take part in a College & Career Readiness Day.

**FOR EVERY \$100**, you will send two public school students to a matinee performance.

Make a donation by completing the back of your place card or raising your paddle for the auctioneer.

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