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Cider Mill Playhouse Raising Critical Funds at “Millibuster 2017”

(Endicott, NY): Cider Mill Playhouse is gearing up for its Millibuster Benefit Event!

The term “**milibuster**” is a play on Cider **MILL** Playhouse and “**filibuster.**” **Filibuster:** an action such as a prolonged speech that obstructs progress in a legislative assembly while not technically contravening the required procedures. And so, we have our play on the word; an event in which performers will monopolize the stage as we raise the funds needed to complete our down payment fund goal. This performance event is free to the public and “admission” will be entirely donation based.

The event coincides with our Moving Sale, which is already underway and will run through the end of the **Millibuster**. Concessions food & beverages will also be available for purchase throughout the event.

All donations, pledges and sales that will benefit the Playhouse and continue to secure its future as a theatrical staple in the community. This unique event, in the style of a tele-thon, runs NOON-11PM, Friday May 5th and 9AM-11PM, Saturday, May 6th.

Local artists and community groups will entertain you, while you enjoy a variety of concessions, snacks and rummaging! Performers include Seton Catholic High School Swing Choir, Jan and Shannon DeAngelo, the Southern Tiers Men Chorus, Peaches and Crime, Spare Productions, Strange Fangs Factory Song and many more!

The Cider Mill Playhouse wants to celebrate its long life with everyone in the community; both long time theatre subscribers and new faces, too! This event is an opportunity for everyone in the community to come together one more time and celebrate the remarkable amount of years spent in its home space. It is also a *critical* time for us to catch up on our fundraising goals. We are attempting to raise the final \$10,000 of our matching grant from the Klee Foundation; these funds are needed to complete our down payment goal for a new, permanent home.

There are also daytime slots available to perform. Those interested can send inquiries regarding performing for this mega event to our Marketing and Events Director, Aundre Seals, at cmplayhousemarketing@gmail.com.

CMP is the longest running professional theatre company in Broome County and the five counties known as New York State’s Southern Tier, operating under the Small Professional Theatre Level 5 contract with Actors’ Equity Association. The Playhouse receives annual support from the New York State Council on the Arts and the United Cultural Fund as administered by the Broome County Arts Council. CMP is also currently the recipient of significant support by the Virginia and Conrad Klee Foundation for capacity building and our capital project to secure a new, permanent home. Cider Mill Playhouse continues programming at its current location through August 19, 2017.

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