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## THE MUNY ANNOUNCES MONSANTO FUND GRANT APPROVAL

**ST. LOUIS (Feb. 22, 2018)** – The Muny announced today a \$20,000 grant approval from the Monsanto Fund to assist with The Muny's Community Access program.

"Monsanto continues to be a fantastic partner in our mission to make theatre accessible to the entire community," said Muny President and CEO, Denny Reagan. "This generous grant allows us to continue our Community Access program and we are incredibly grateful for their support."

"We are proud to support The Muny in its commitment to ensure all audiences, whether they face physical, mental or financial challenges, can enjoy professionally produced stage productions," said Michelle Insco, Monsanto Fund Program Officer. "We congratulate The Muny on its 100<sup>th</sup> season and for making the theatre accessible and enjoyable for everyone."

The Monsanto Fund, the philanthropic arm of the Monsanto Company, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening the communities where farmers and Monsanto Company employees live and work.

The Muny's Community Access program targets unserved and underserved members of the greater St. Louis community, including those with physical, emotional and mental limitations, whose members would be unable to attend on their own. By partnering with hundreds of social service organizations each season, in addition to the free seats, The Muny welcomes more than 100,000 guests to experience a Muny show for free each summer. This program supports the mission of The Muny in the purest sense that it truly provides access to all, regardless of their individual ability to attend.

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Applications for The Muny's Community Access program are now being accepted for the 2018 season. For more information, and to apply, please visit muny.org/community-access.

The seven shows in the 2018 Muny season are: **Jerome Robbins' Broadway** (June 11-17), **The Wiz** (June 19-25), **Singin' in the Rain** (June 27-July 3), **Jersey Boys** (July 9-16), **Annie** (July 18-25), **Gypsy** (July 27-August 2) and **Meet Me in St. Louis** (August 4-12). For more information visit muny.org.

Season tickets go on sale March 5, 2018. Single tickets go on sale May 7, 2018.

Muny gift cards for the 100<sup>th</sup> season are now available online and at The Muny Box Office. For more information, visit muny.org or call (314) 361-1900.

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The Muny's mission is to enrich lives by producing exceptional musical theatre, accessible to all, while continuing its remarkable tradition in Forest Park. As the nation's largest outdoor musical theatre, we produce seven world-class musicals each year and welcome over 370,000 theatregoers over our nine-week season. Now celebrating 100 seasons in St. Louis, The Muny remains one of the premier institutions in musical theatre. For more information about The Muny, visit muny.org.