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Muny Officials Announce Updated Security and Entry Procedures for 2018 Summer Season

ST. LOUIS (June 6, 2018) – In preparation for the June 11 opening of the 2018 summer season, Muny officials announced today updates to their entry procedures. These updates are designed to maintain the enjoyable and safe environment Muny goers are accustomed to, providing the same enjoyable guest access patrons are familiar with.

As has been the case for several seasons, all bags, purses and backpacks will be checked for prohibited items before entering the perimeter. In addition, staff will now utilize handheld metal detectors (wands) at all security checkpoints as part of the bag-check and pre-entry screening processes. Visit https://muny.org/faq/for a list of prohibited items.

New in 2018, The Muny's secure perimeter has been extended and now includes the lower east and west pre-show picnic lawns, The Culver Pavilion and Lichtenstein Plaza located behind the free seats. Security checkpoints for the lower picnic areas will open at 5:00pm. The pre-show plaza behind the free seats will open at 6pm. Until that time, free seat guests arriving early may line-up outside of the perimeter at the designated access points. Opening times for the

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seating areas remain the same as previous years. The free seats open at 7:00pm nightly and guests with valid paid tickets can enter beginning at 7:30pm.

"We're excited to welcome thousands of theatre goers to The Muny for our 100th season," said Muny Marketing and Communications Director, Kwofe Coleman. "Relying on constant research and professional consultants, we continue to evolve our policies and procedures to make sure we are providing a safe environment without greatly affecting the open, enjoyable feeling our guests love about The Muny."

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 and single tickets are currently on sale for this historic season, and are available online and at The Muny Box Office daily from 9am-9pm. For more information, visit muny.org or call (314) 361-1900.

World Wide Technology and The Steward Family Foundation have once again made a leadership gift to continue as the Muny's 2018 Season Presenting Sponsor. They became the first overall season sponsor in the history of The Muny in 2014 and continue that role through 2018.

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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 $\underline{\text{muny.org}}$.