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**SAN DIEGO MUSICAL THEATRE
Announces the 2022 Season to be Performed
at the New SDMT Stage**

San Diego Musical Theater is beyond thrilled to announce their 2022 Season to be performed at their soon to be completed new performance venue, SDMT Stage! Still recovering from the pandemic shut down, SDMT's 2022 season was almost derailed by being forced, unexpectedly, to find a new performance venue. Ever resilient, SDMT is currently in the final phase of transforming the event space within the Tupperware building, home to their audition, rehearsal and academy space, into an intimate and immersive black box theater - SDMT Stage. The company's 15th season brings stories of con artist deception, sense of community, growing horror and iconic holiday classic that will bring lots of laughs, heartfelt moments thru incredible musical and dance performances.

The 2022 season opens with the high-flying musical comedy, ***Catch Me If You Can***. Based on the hit DreamWorks film, this splashy spectacle follows the adventures of a globetrotting con artist. Based on the hit film and the incredible true story, *Catch Me If You Can* is a musical about chasing your dreams and not getting caught. Nominated for four Tony awards, including Best Musical, this delightfully entertaining show was created by a Tony Award-winning "dream team," with a book by Terrence McNally (*The Full Monty*, *Ragtime*) and a score by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman (*Hairspray*).

In The Heights is next telling the universal story of a vibrant community in New York's Washington Heights neighborhood: a place where the coffee from the corner bodega is light and sweet, the windows are always open, and the breeze carries the rhythm of three generations of music. It's a community on the brink of change, full of hopes, dreams and pressures. Nominated for thirteen Tony Awards and won four, including Best Musical. Show music from Lin-Manuel Miranda, book by Quiara Alegria Hudes and Lyrics also by Lin-Manuel Miranda.

Feeding on the audience in late fall, ***Little Shop Of Horrors*** is our third season production. This show has devoured the hearts of theatre goers for over 30 years with book by Howard Ashman and Alan Menken (Disney's *The Little Mermaid*, *Beauty And The Beast*, and *Aladdin*) are the creative geniuses behind what has become not only one of the most popular shows in the world but one of the longest-running Off-Broadway shows too.

The final show of their 2022 season is the iconic seasonal favorite, ***A Christmas Story***. Nine-year-old Ralphie Parker wants one thing for Christmas, and one thing only: An Official Red Ryder Range Model Carbine Action BB Gun. There's only one problem: everyone else is convinced he'll shoot his eye out! Undeterred, he begins his saga of convincing all the necessary players, from his sweet and protective Mother to his straightlaced teacher, Miss Shields, all the way to Santa Claus himself, that he needs that gun for the protection of his loved ones, and maybe even a little cowboy glory to call his own.

Gary and Erin Lewis, the Producers of San Diego Musical Theatre, spent a great deal of time with Jill Townsend, Artistic Director, crafting the upcoming season with the goal to create spectacular, diverse and inclusive productions to finally welcome back their patrons and subscribers as well as their cast, crew and creative teams after an unplanned extended hiatus.

"We are so glad to be back and excited for audiences to see our 2022 season on our new SDMT Stage," said Erin Lewis, SDMT Producer. "In addition to our season productions we will also have our Pre-Professional production of *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* to round out our much anticipated season."

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SDMT 2022 Season Calendar:

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (SEASON) - February 11-March 13, 2022

IN THE HEIGHTS (SEASON) - May 6-June 5, 2022

THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE (PRE-PRO) - July 29 – August 7, 2022

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS (SEASON) - September 30 – October 30, 2022

A CHRISTMAS STORY (HOLIDAY) - November 25 – December 30, 2022

Season subscriptions are now available: <https://www.sdmtd.org/shows-tickets/subscribe/>

ABOUT SDMT - Founded in 2006, San Diego Musical Theatre is dedicated to passionately instructing, producing and providing musical theatre that ignites the human spirit.