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Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap* Comes to Fort Collins

The Long-Running Murder Mystery Directed by Heather Ostberg Johnson

FORT COLLINS –OpenStage invites audiences to experience the chilling upcoming production of *The Mousetrap*, written by Agatha Christie. Directed by OpenStage's Associate Artistic Director, Heather Ostberg Johnson, *The Mousetrap* is set to enthrall audiences at The Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre from January 10th through February 7th, 2026.

Heather Ostberg Johnson is OpenStage's Associate Artistic Director and a Colorado-based theater maker and movement artist. Her recent work with OpenStage includes directing *Pride & Prejudice* and *Dance Nation*, and performing in *The 39 Steps*, for which she received a Henry award. Known for her dynamic, physical approach to storytelling, Heather brings a wide-ranging background in directing, performance, and devising to her work.

A spine-chilling crime and nowhere to run. Trapped by a relentless blizzard at Monkswell Manor, the Ralstons and their six stranded guests soon discover that murder is afoot – and no one is above suspicion. With every revelation, the tension mounts, alibis begin to fray, and the killer tightens their grip. A perfect storm of intrigue, secrets, and suspense, Agatha Christie's legendary whodunit has kept audiences guessing for over 70 years.

The Mousetrap plays from January 10th through February 8th. All performances on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday start at 7:30 pm. Sunday matinee performances start at 2:00 pm. Visit openstage.com/the-mousetrap for a complete list of performances, including a free student/educator performance (January 9th), a pay-what-you-can performance (January 15), and FAB Friday (January 16), which includes a free beer compliments of Odell Brewing Company.

Tickets for *The Mousetrap* are \$18-\$42. Tickets are available online at openstage.com/the-mousetrap or by calling The Lincoln Center Box Office at 970.221.6730. The box office is open 1pm–6 pm Tuesday–Saturday.

Recommended Ages 12+. For specific questions on content, please contact info@openstage.com.

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Performance Dates

Thursday @ 7:30 pm: January 15 (Pay What You Can)

Friday @ 7:30 pm: January 9 (Student/Educator), January 16 (FAB Friday), January 23, January 30, February 6

Saturday @ 7:30 pm: January 10 (Opening Night), January 17, January 24, January 31, February 7 (Closing Night)

Sunday @ 2 pm: January 25, February 1, February 8

Performance Location

The Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre: 417 West Magnolia Street, Fort Collins, CO (North-west corner of the building)

Cast

Mollie Ralston

Katy White

Giles Ralston

Brian Wilcox

Christopher Wren

Hugh Butterfield

Mrs. Boyle

Louise F. Thornton

Major Metcalf

David Austin-Gröen

Miss Casewell

Bryn Frisina

Mr. Paravicini

Bas Meindersma

Detective Sergeant Trotter

Bradley Calahan

Creative and Production Team

Director/Associate Artistic Director

Heather Ostberg Johnson

Assistant Director/Stage Manager/Sound Board Operator

Azran Starkweather

Scenic Designer/Master Carpenter/Technical Director
Lighting Designer
Properties Designer/Set Dresser
Costume Designer
Makeup Designer
Hair/Wig Designer
Sound Designer
Fight Choreographer
Fight Captain
Production Manager/Producing Artistic Director

Ivan Andrade
MacKenzie Lowe
Brenna Freestone-Gilbert
Kari Armstrong
Tyler Zuschneid
Kirsten Hovorka
Joshua Moore
James Burns
Bryn Frisina
Jacob Offen