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GALVESTON'S GRAND 1894 OPERA HOUSE TO PRESENT MONTANA REP'S "DOUBT", MARCH 9th

"When a strong-minded woman is faced with a difficult decision, should she voice concerns about one of her male colleagues? Even if she's not entirely certain of the truth?" This dilemma unfolds on stage as Montana Repertory Theater brings the gripping and mysterious *Doubt* to Galveston's Grand 1894 Opera House on Friday, March 9th. Showtime is 8pm. Sponsored by the Jerry L. Scales Trust, the Houston Chronicle, Texas Commission on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts, *Doubt* is as timely a subject today as its 1964 setting.

The setting for *Doubt* is a Bronx Catholic school where principal Sister Aloysius struggles with the question, "What do you do when you're not sure?" as she becomes suspicious of charismatic and young Father Flynn. Is he using his positions as teacher and coach to encourage youngsters or to take advantage of them? By speaking up, would Sister Aloysius be protecting students from harm or would she be falsely accusing an innocent man of shocking betrayal and trust? Audiences soon learn that little is certain in John Patrick Shanley's brilliant, aptly titled play.

Winner of the 2005 "Pulitzer Prize for Drama", 5 "Drama Desk Awards", and 7 Tonys, including "Best Play", *Doubt* has enthralled and stunned audiences while garnering critical acclaim since its initial sold-out production off-Broadway in November of 2004. It went on to Broadway and was later adapted for the screen in 2008. The film was directed by Shanley and starred Meryl Streep, Philip Seymour Hoffman and Amy Adams. The movie's many awards included an Oscar for "Best Adapted Screenplay" and a Golden Globe for "Best Screenplay".

Although set in 1964, *Doubt* is as timely as today's newspaper headlines and has been called, "...a lean, potent drama ...passionate, exquisite, important, and engrossing." by *Newsday*.

Ticket prices start at \$22.00. Call for pricing on Box Seats. Special discounts for group and senior tickets may be available. For information about this and other performances scheduled, contact The Grand's box office at 409.765.1894, 800.821.1894, or visit The Grand's website at www.thegrand.com. The theatre is located at 2020 Postoffice Street, in historic downtown Galveston. The Grand 1894 Opera House is recognized as "The Official Opera House of the State of Texas." All major credit cards accepted.