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Cape Fear Regional Theatre Announces Hiring of Interim Artistic Director

Fayetteville, NC — SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 — Cape Fear Regional Theatre (CFRT) is pleased to announce that Bryan Conger will join the 55-year old regional theatre as Interim Artistic Director, effective October 17, 2016. Conger steps in for Tom Quaintance, who has resigned as CFRT Artistic Director, after a 5-year tenure with the organization to lead Virginia Stage Company, a 631seat professional theatre in Norfolk, Virginia.

“We are grateful Tom’s tenure at CFRT. He challenged us to expand the theatre’s vision leading to a strong and diverse impact on our community. We wish him well.” said Eric Lindstom, CFRT Board of Directors and Interim Artistic Director Search Committee Chair. “Bryan Conger joins Managing Director Beth Desloges in leading a dynamic team that will build upon the momentum from the last 55 seasons while the theatre continues its search for the next Artistic Director.”

As Interim Artistic Director, Conger will work with staff and board for the next 9 to 12 months to oversee the creative process involved in making the theatre’s ambitious 55th Season a reality, including managing directors, designers, and other members of the artistic team.

"I am honored, humbled and delighted to join the Cape Fear Regional Theatre family and the vibrant Fayetteville community. I have long admired CFRT and its devotion to artistic excellence, community engagement, and education. First under the leadership of Bo Thorp and then Tom Quaintance, CFRT has been a leader in the North Carolina theatre community with immense artistic achievement." Conger said. "I look forward to working with the staff and board of directors to continue and deepen that legacy during this transition period."

Bryan Conger has served for five years as artistic associate at Triad Stage in Greensboro, North Carolina. He received his MFA in directing from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro. A native of Indiana, Bryan has directed, acted, and produced at several theatre companies across the Midwest and Southeast. Bryan has also served on the faculties of the University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Greensboro College, Elon University, and Guilford College.



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About Cape Fear Regional Theatre

Since 1962, Cape Fear Regional Theatre (CFRT) has served as a place for the diverse community of Fayetteville (home of Fort Bragg and the 82nd Airborne) and the broader region to come together to laugh harder, think deeper, share experiences and grow as a community through the power of live theatre. CFRT features a three-story complex with a 309 seat main stage and brings in actors, writers and designers from throughout the country. CFRT's six-show mainstage season and robust education and outreach programs serve over 42,000 audience members a year from all ages and varying socioeconomic and ethnic backgrounds including nearly 7,000 students from around the region.