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## Ring in the Holiday Season with TAM's Every Christmas Story Ever Told...

Monmouth, Maine – This holiday season, Theater at Monmouth starts a new comic tradition at Cumston Hall. Every Christmas Story Ever Told...(and then some!) is a fast, furious, and slightly irreverent look at holiday classics and traditions. The play begins as yet another version of A Christmas Carol and takes "a wrong turn in Albuquerque" on the way to a B.H.C. (Beloved Holiday Classic) Smackdown between A Christmas Carol and It's a Wonderful Life. Santy Claus, Rudolph (or in this case Gustav), the Grinch, and just about every other seasonal character makes an appearance in this racy comedy that, according to Kelly Monaghan of TheOtherOrlando, "will have you laughing harder than spiked eggnog."

Instead of performing Charles Dickens' beloved holiday classic for the umpteenth time, three intrepid actors decide to perform every Christmas story ever told—add a sprinkling of Christmas traditions from around the world, seasonal icons from ancient times to contemporary pop-culture, and every carol ever sung—and you've got a madcap romp through the holiday season.

Every Christmas Story Ever Told... (and then some!) features James Noel Hoban, Ian Kramer, and Grace Bauer; directed by Dawn McAndrews with set and lights by Jim Alexander, costume design by Elizabeth Rocha, and sound design by Elizabeth Nelson. Every Christmas Story Ever Told... is sponsored by TexTech Industries. This production is best suited for revelers ages 13 and up.

Theater at Monmouth is a unique destination with something for everyone. In addition to group rates, we offer pre and/or post show discussions and tours of historic Cumston Hall. For an additional fee, we can assist you in planning catering in our Helen Melledy Hall. For more information call 207.933.9999 or email <a href="mailto:boxoffice@theateratmonmouth.org">boxoffice@theateratmonmouth.org</a>; we'll be happy to help you plan your groups' visit to Monmouth.

Performance calendar: PREVIEW 11/26 at 7:30 p.m.\*\*; OPENING 11/27 at 7:30 p.m.; additional performance dates 11/28, 11/29, 12/3, 12/4, 12/5 at 7:30 p.m.; 11/28, 11/29, 12/5, 12/6 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25. For calendar and reservations, please contact the TAM Box Office at 207.933.9999 or visit <a href="https://www.theateratmonmouth.org">www.theateratmonmouth.org</a>.

\*\*Thanksgiving Night Performance, All Tickets \$10.

Tickets for all other performances \$25.

Bring non-perishable food items to donate to Monmouth Food Pantry.

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Theater at Monmouth, founded in 1970, was named the Shakespearean Theater of Maine by the State Legislature in 1975. The theatre's mission is to present innovative approaches to Shakespeare and other classic plays through professional productions that enrich the lives of people throughout Maine. Since its founding, TAM has produced expertly crafted, engaging productions in its three-month Summer Repertory Season entertaining audiences from 36 states and through Education Tours annually reaching more than 15,000 students statewide.

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