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**Fountain Hills Theater Announces a Special Tribute Performance of
“Erma Bombeck: At Wit’s End,” with Pre- and Post-Show Receptions and Talk-back**

FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ, March 23, 2018: — Join Fountain Hills Theater for a special, one-night only tribute to the life and legacy of Erma Bombeck with a special tribute performance of “**Erma Bombeck: at Wit’s End**,” pre- and post-show receptions, a talk-back with the Bombeck children, and a special presentation by the National Kidney Foundation of Arizona. April 22nd is the twenty-second anniversary of Erma Bombeck’s passing. It is in her honor that this special tribute performance is being held. Fountain Hills Theater will share a portion of the proceeds to benefit The National Kidney Foundation of Arizona / The Erma Bombeck Project.

- EVENT:** **Erma Bombeck: At Wit’s End**
A One-Night Only Special Tribute Performance, with
pre- and post-show receptions, talk back and presentation by the
National Kidney Foundation of Arizona
- WHERE:** **Fountain Hills Theater**
11445 N Saguardo Blvd., Fountain Hills, AZ 85268
www.fhtaz.org
- WHEN:** **Sunday, April 22nd, 2018 at 6:30pm**
- COST:** **Tickets \$125/ea; price includes reserved seat, reception (pre-show**
appetizers, post-show dessert, one drink ticket,
performance, talk-back, and NKF AZ presentation)
- HOW:** **Reservations: fhtaz.org, or (480) 837-9661 x3 Visa/MC/Amex/Discover**

“**Erma Bombeck: At Wit’s End**” is a funny, touching one-woman comedy based on the writings of long time Valley resident Erma Bombeck. It’s a comic look at one of our country’s most beloved voices, as Erma (Cathy Dresbach) tells her own story and leads the audience through her years as a mother and housewife who lampooned life in the suburbs in her weekly (then tri-weekly, then heavily syndicated) newspaper column called “At Wit’s End.” Erma captured frustrations of her generation by asking, “If life is a bowl of cherries, what am I doing in the pits?” Discover the story behind America’s beloved humorist who championed women’s lives with wit that sprang from the most unexpected place of all—the truth.

“Erma Bombeck: At Wit’s End” is produced by Anne Kelleher, directed by Ben Tyler, and stars Cathy Dresbach as Erma Bombeck. Produced through special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

This special tribute event is at Fountain Hills Theater on its Mainstage, at 11445 N. Saguaro Blvd. (The Corner of Saguaro and Rand). Tickets are available at (480) 837-9661 x3, online at fhtaz.org, or in person at the Box Office hours are 12:00PM-5:00 PM Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday.

ABOUT FOUNTAIN HILLS THEATER

Fountain Hills Theater presents 3 regularly scheduled seasons of productions in their two theaters. The Theater’s year-round offering includes Mainstage, Mainstage Too!, and Youth productions. Additionally, special events, community outreach, and educational arts programming for our youth is also offered. The Mainstage (often called the “big”) theater seats 130 and is devoted to medium and large-scale popular musicals and plays including the best of Broadway and Off-Broadway. No seat is more than 35 feet from the stage. The Youth/Mainstage Too! (also called the “little” theater) is a smaller, more intimate 90-seat, thrust style auditorium that offers thought-provoking, inspiring and sometimes challenging productions including Broadway musicals, original plays, musicals, and art works. Most of the youth productions are performed in the more intimate, smaller theater. Both stages often run productions concurrently. Special events are offered throughout the season on both stages as well as in community centers. The Theater has been in operation as a professionally-directed community theater for over 30 years. The Mission of Fountain Hills Theater is “to engage, inspire and entertain diverse audiences, train and support our youth, and celebrate the essential power of the performing arts.” Fountain Hills Theater is a 501(c)(3) organization. All gifts are tax deductible. The Theater is 100% funded by ticket sales and donations. Volunteer opportunities are available. Fountain Hills Theater is located at 11445 N. Saguaro Blvd., Fountain Hills, AZ 85268. Phone: 480.837.9661. Fax: 480.837.5972. The Box Office is open Tues.-Sat., 12pm-5pm (closed Sun. and Mon.). The website is fhtaz.org.

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