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## BAG&BAGGAGE CELEBRATES THE *OTHER* BRITISH BARD: THIRD ANNUAL BURNS NIGHT SUPPER

Bag&Baggage Celebrates The Life and Work of Robert Burns, The National Poet Of Scotland, In Third Annual Burns Night Supper – January 28, 2017

HILLSBORO, OR – Bag&Baggage Productions, Hillsboro's resident professional theatre, is celebrating the life and poetry of the *other* great British Bard, Robert Burns, with a traditional *Burns Night Supper*. The event takes place on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (the birthday of Burns, the national poet of Scotland) at Merriwether Golf Course in Hillsboro. Burns Night is a traditional Scottish holiday celebrating the life, times, and poetry of Robert (Rabbie) Burns. The Bag&Baggage event will follow Scottish tradition and will feature a live bagpiper, whiskey, and a traditional Scottish meal including cock-a-leekie soup, neeps and tatties, bangers and mash, sticky toffee pudding and, of course, haggis. This year's event has expanded to include a silent and live auction feature more than \$25,000 worth of packages, retail items, vacations, wine, and more.



Scott Palmer, Artistic Director of Bag&Baggage, lived in Scotland for more than 6 years and will act as the event's Master of Ceremonies. "I love Burns Night," Palmer said. "I've attending many similar events while I lived in Glasgow and am thrilled to be honoring one of the world's greatest poets with this incredibly fun event."

Guests will be "piped in" to the event by a bag piper, and will also be entertained by performances by B&B resident actors of Burns poetry and contemporary Scottish poetry. In addition, singers from the Oregon Chorale will perform a range of Scottish songs, including *The Rose of Scotland* and *Auld Lang Syne*.

"Our guests will have the chance to enjoy some truly wonderful old Scottish traditions," said Palmer, who will be reading Burns' great poem *Address To The Haggis* and the *Selkirk Grace*. "Burns Night is more than just a celebration of Burns, it is a celebration of all things Scottish."

Tickets for the event at \$80 and include entertainment, a traditional Burns Night Supper, and a dram of tasting whiskey. A cash bar featuring a range of scotches, wines and beers is also available. The event begins at 5:00pm on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets can be purchased online at <a href="https://www.bagnbaggage.org">www.bagnbaggage.org</a> or by calling the box office at 503 345 9590.

Burns Night Supper
January 28th, 2017 at 5:00pm
Merriwether National Golf Course, 5200 SW Rood Bridge Road, Hillsboro

Tickets: \$80 per person-

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