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**Theater Alaska presents online screening
of New Dawn Theatre's
*A Breath for George***

Film honors Life and Death of George Floyd

Juneau, AK, September 29, 2020 -- Theater Alaska (Producing Artistic Director, Flordelino Lagundino; General Manager, Jennifer Lagundino) announced the presentation of two free online screenings of New Dawn Theatre's *A Breath for George* - a collection of songs, interviews, and poems honoring the life of George Floyd. Screenings will be shown over the Zoom platform on October 23 & 24 at 7:30pm. There will be a post-show discussion with New Dawn Artistic Director Austene Van for both showings. Tickets are free. Reservations are required and can be made at www.theateralaska.org.

George Floyd was brutally killed on May 25, 2020, by a Minneapolis Police Department officer. *A Breath for George* was created by New Dawn Theatre and Minnesota artists to give voice to the ways Black citizens & residents historically have been negatively affected emotionally, physically and financially by systemic racism and nationwide police violence, and to share avenues which promote hope and positive changes for the future.

"There is value in people knowing that they are not alone in the way that they are feeling right now," says New Dawn Artistic Director Austene Van. "There is also value in speaking truth to people who have never heard our stories or ever been in position to hear our stories"

Artists featured include James T. Alfred, Jamecia Bennett, James Craven, Jamil Jude, Aimee Bryant, Perri Gaffney, Peter Macon, Thomasina Petrus, T. Mychael Rambo, Frank Sentwali, Regina Marie Williams, and Jevetta Steel. Interviews with Melvin Carter, Jr., Sarah Bellamy, Harvey Blanks, Talvin Wilks and Professor John Wright are also included in the collection.

“We are honored to hear directly from Minnesotan artists and community leaders so that we may better understand how this tragic moment may move us forward as a community and nation,” says Theater Alaska Producing Artistic Director Flordelino Lagundino.

ABOUT NEW DAWN THEATRE

New Dawn Theatre's mission is to draw brilliance out of shadows by illuminating & supporting cutting edge works of overlooked, underrepresented communities of our theatrical landscape through innovative, exciting & excellent theater productions. www.newdawntheatre.org.

ABOUT THEATER ALASKA

Theater Alaska brings vibrant theatrical events directly into community spaces. We are a theater for all and create accessibility to the arts through equity and inclusion. Theater Alaska was founded in 2020 with the passion to share stories that connect with its community in Juneau and around the great state of Alaska. For many, there exist significant barriers to attend theatrical events. To increase accessibility, the company brings free theatrical productions to venues such as community centers, schools, correctional facilities, and other non-traditional venues, meeting people where they are most comfortable. The theater also performs for paying audiences at traditional theater venues. Theater Alaska is modeled after Ten Thousand Things, Minneapolis, MN, which tours professional productions to community venues. www.theateralaska.org.

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