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"A LANDMARK THEATER EVENT"

-Time Magazine

WarHorse

WINNER OF FIVE TONY® AWARDS INCLUDING BEST PLAY

PREMIERES IN DENVER JANUARY 8-20 AT THE BUELL THEATRE

DENVER – The National Theatre of Great Britain's epic **WAR HORSE**, winner of five 2011 Tony Awards including Best Play, makes its Denver premiere at the Buell Theatre January 8-20. **Tickets go on sale to the public Sunday, November 11 at 10am at denvercenter.org or by calling 303.893.4100.**

Hailed by *The New York Times* as "theatrical magic," **WAR HORSE** is the powerful story of young Albert's beloved horse, Joey, who has been enlisted to fight for the English in World War I. In a tale the *New York Daily News* calls "spellbinding, by turns epic and intimate," Joey is caught in enemy crossfire and ends up serving both sides of the war before landing in no man's land. Albert, not old enough to enlist, embarks on a treacherous mission to find his horse and bring him home. What follows is a remarkable tale of courage, loyalty and friendship, filled with stirring music and songs and told with the some of the most innovative stagecraft of our time.

The tour of **WAR HORSE**, by **Nick Stafford** (adapted from **Michael Morpurgo**'s book), is directed by **Bijan Sheibani** and is based on the original Tony Award-winning direction by **Marianne Elliott** and **Tom Morris**. **WAR HORSE** is presented in association with Handspring Puppet Company. At the heart of the show are life-sized puppets which bring breathing, galloping, charging horses to thrilling life on stage.

In addition to Best Play, **WAR HORSE** received Tony Awards for Best Direction of a Play (**Marianne Elliott** and **Tom Morris**), Best Scenic Design of a Play (**Rae Smith**), Best Lighting Design of a Play (**Paule Constable**) and Best Sound Design of a Play (**Christopher Shutt**). A Special Tony Award was given to Handspring Puppet Company for their integral work on the production.

WAR HORSE received its World Premiere in a limited engagement at the National's Olivier Theatre in 2007. The play returned to the National Theatre for a second run playing from 2008-2009 before transferring to the West End's New London Theatre in Spring 2009 where it continues to play an open-ended run. **WAR HORSE** has been seen by more than 2 million people worldwide and is currently playing at New York's Lincoln Center Theater, in London's West End and at Toronto's Princess of Wales Theatre. Future productions of **WAR HORSE** are planned for Australia, Berlin and South Africa, as well as a UK Tour.

The lead producers of the National Tour of **WAR HORSE** are Bob Boyett and the National Theatre of Great Britain.

Lincoln Center Theater and the National Theatre of Great Britain in association with Bob Boyett and War Horse LP, are the producers of the American premiere of **WAR HORSE**, which opened in Spring 2011 at the Vivian Beaumont Theater.

Morpurgo's beloved novel, *War Horse*, is also the inspiration for Steven Spielberg's feature film of the same name, which earned six Oscar nominations including Best Picture.

Single tickets for WAR HORSE start at just $25. To charge by phone, call Denver Center Ticket Services at 303.893.4100. TTY (for Deaf and hard-of-hearing patrons): 303.893.9582. Groups of 10 or more, please call 303.446.4829. Additionally, tickets may be purchased at the Denver Center Ticket Office, located in the Helen Bonfils Theatre Complex lobby. Buy and print online at denvercenter.org.

WAR HORSE in Denver is sponsored by **Comcast** and is on the **Denver Center Attractions 2013/14 season** which is supported by **United Airlines** and **Vectra Bank**. Media sponsorship for DCA is provided by ***The Denver Post*** and **CBS4**. The Denver Center for the Performing Arts is supported in part by the **Scientific and Cultural Facilities District**.

For more information on **WAR HORSE**: WarHorseOnStage.com

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PERFORMANCE DATES	**Jan 8-20**
Tuesday-Sunday	7:30p
Saturday- Sunday	2p
*Thursday 1/17	2p

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