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Profile Theatre presents
Antigone Project: A Play in 5 Parts
as its 2016 Fall Festival

PORTLAND, Ore., August 10, 2016 – PROFILE THEATRE (Lauren Bloom Hanover, Interim Artistic Director) proudly presents ***Antigone Project: A Play in 5 Parts*** written by Tanya Barfield, Karen Hartman, Lynn Nottage, Chiori Miyagawa and Caridad Svich. Conceived by Chiori Miyagawa and Sabrina Peck. Presented with String House Theatre. Performances run September 7-11, 2016 on the Alder Stage at Artists Repertory Theatre. Tickets are currently on sale at profiletheatre.org. *Antigone Project* is the third production in Profile Theatre's 2016 Season dedicated to the works of playwright Tanya Barfield. *Antigone Project* is sponsored by Work for Art.

"Profile has chosen to include *Antigone Project* in our Tanya Barfield season not only because Ms. Barfield wrote one of the pieces, but also to honor her spirit of collaboration," Says Interim Artistic Director Lauren Bloom Hanover, "Throughout our interactions with Ms. Barfield, her passion for supporting writers and her joy at working with other artists has been deeply inspiring. We are thrilled and excited by the way this project embodies that ethic."

About *Antigone Project*

Antigone Project: A Play in Five Parts is the exhilarating realization of a fascinating idea -reimagining the myth of Antigone- brought to life by some of the most vibrant contemporary voices in theatre. Together, these five playwrights - Barfield, Hartman, Svich, Nottage and Miyagawa - present us with a kaleidoscope view of our society, exploring themes of honor, love, loyalty and mortality through this exceptional collection of plays. The five short plays are:

Hang Ten by Karen Hartman

Medallion by Tanya Barfield

Antigone Arke by Caridad Svich

A Stone's Throw by Lynn Nottage

Red Again by Chiori Miyagawa

“Energized by this collective group of voices, Profile decided to use *Antigone Project* as an opportunity to feature not only our own work, but to expand the platform to include other artistic perspectives from our community,” says Bloom Hanover. “We are delighted to be collaborating with String House Theatre, who will be creating and presenting the third of the five plays, *Antigone Arkhe* by Caridad Svich.” String House Director Emily Gregory adds “The ideas this piece contains about narrative ownership, female empowerment, and the politics of storytelling itself are just too interesting for a director like myself to pass up exploring. In the end we simply couldn’t say no.”

The cast for *Antigone Project* features **Chris Murray, Lauren Modica, Cecily Overman, Seth Rue** and **Andrea White**.

The production team for *Antigone Project: A Play in 5 Parts* is led by Director **Dawn Monique Williams** (Recent Princess Grace Fellowship winner and resident artist at Oregon Shakespeare Festival), and includes Kaye Blankenship (Scenic Design), Jennifer Lin (Lighting Design),

Sarah Ludeman (Costume Design), and Phillip Johnson (Sound Design). The stage manager is Miranda Russ.

About Profile Theatre

Profile's mission is to produce a season of plays devoted to a single playwright, engaging with our community to explore that writer's vision and influence on theatre and the world at large. We do this through large-scale professional productions, In Dialogue Series readings and lectures, and our vibrant education programs.

Profile Theatre's 2016 Season is supported in part by The Regional Arts and Culture Council including support from City of Portland, Multnomah County and the Arts & Education Access Fund; The Oregon Arts Commission; Kinsman Foundation; National Endowment for the Arts; James F. and Marion L. Miller Foundation; Meyer Memorial Trust; The Collins Foundation; PGE Foundation; Shubert Foundation and the Oregon Community Foundation.

Tickets

Tickets are \$32-38 for all performances. Tickets for students and those 30-and-under are \$20. Preview Rush: \$20 tickets can be purchased for the Wednesday September 7th performance in-person, one hour prior to curtain time at the box office: one ticket per person. Groups of ten or more receive a discount off single tickets. Tickets can be purchased at profiletheatre.org by calling box office at 503.242.0080 Tuesday through Friday noon – 4pm.

Location

Antigone Project: A Play in 5 Parts will be performed on the Alder Stage at Artists Repertory Theatre, located at 1516 SW Alder Street in Portland. For directions and parking information, visit Profiletheatre.org/plan-your-visit/.

Performance Schedule

Wednesday, September 7th 7:30pm

Thursday, September 8th 7:30pm

Friday, September 9th 7:30pm

Saturday, September 10th 2:00pm (ASL Interpreted)

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Sunday, September 11th 2:00pm

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