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Black Dirt Theater Presents "Guys and Dolls" at Hastings Performing Arts Center *Community nonprofit production includes Twin Cities area cast/crew*

With seven performances, Black Dirt Theater will be hosting its fifth summer musical, "Guys and Dolls," July 31 through August 9 at the Hastings High School Performing Arts Center.

The production brings together artists of all ages and abilities from throughout the Twin Cities area and beyond, including Minneapolis, St. Paul, Eagan, Burnsville, Prior Lake, Redwing, Apple Valley, White Bear Lake, Cottage Grove, Lakeville, Randolph, New Hope, and Mankato, as well as Prescott and Hudson, Wisconsin.

American Sign Language interpretation and Audio Description are available during the Aug. 2 performance. Please call the Black Dirt Theater offices at 651-300-9567 in advance to reserve.

Performances are as follows:

Friday, July 31, 7 p.m. (Opening Night) Saturday, Aug. 1, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9, 2 p.m.

With music and lyrics by Frank Loesser and book by Joe Swerling and Abe Burrows, the Roaring '20s will act as a backdrop for this classic Broadway story, where Sky, Sarah, Nathan and Adelaide face the biggest gamble of them all: true love.

All performances will be at the Hastings High School Performing Arts Center, 200 General Sieben Drive, Hastings. Tickets can be purchased at blackdirttheater.com or by calling 1-800-838-3006.

About Black Dirt Theater

Based in Hastings, Black Dirt Theater has produced community-focused theater since its founding in 2009, drawing talent and audiences from the Twin Cities area. With its mission to empower people to make theater that inspires the world to change, Black Dirt has worked to bolster the arts in Hastings and beyond, offering anyone a chance to be a part of a unique and adventurous theater experience, regardless of age or ability. Along with family-friendly classics, such as "Oklahoma" and "Annie," Black Dirt has created original productions focused on the lives and experiences of area residents. With the help of many community leaders, Black Dirt is able to bring theater to unexpected places, including the Dakota County Historical Society's LeDuc Historic Estate. Black Dirt created an improv group that keeps audiences laughing throughout the winter as well as the "24 Hour New Play Challenge."