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**Virginia Rep Opens *I DO! I DO!*
At Hanover Tavern
Friday, February 26**

Starring Lauren Leinhaas-Cook and Larry Cook
Directed by Bruce Miller

Richmond, VA – Virginia Repertory Theatre announces the opening *I Do! I Do!* Friday, February 26 at Hanover Tavern, 13181 Hanover Courthouse Road. The show runs through Sunday, April 3, 2016. This intimate musical follows two soul-mates as they navigate the joys and challenges of a 50-year marriage. The original play from which the musical is adapted is *The Fourposter* by Dutch playwright Jan de Hartog. *The Fourposter* opened on Broadway in 1951 starring Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn and won the Tony Award for Best Play. The play was adapted into the musical *I Do! I Do!* in 1966 by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt, the creators of *The Fantasticks*. The original Broadway production starred Mary Martin and Robert Preston, and was nominated for the Tony Award for Best Musical, with Robert Preston winning Best Actor. Part of the Acts of Faith Theatre Festival, *I Do! I Do!* will host two talkbacks on March 13 and March 20 following the performances.

Under the direction of Virginia Rep's Artistic Director, Bruce Miller, the production highlights a charming and tuneful score and features two cast members who have been married for almost 29 years. "I am thrilled to work with Lauren and Larry in this nostalgic and humorous rediscovery of romance." Miller's recent directing credits include *As You Like It*, *Boleros for the Disenchanted*, *Legacy of Light*, *My Fair Lady*,

The Little Dog Laughed, The Crucible, The Lark, the Smoke on the Mountain trilogy, On Golden Pond, Annie Get Your Gun, Anything Goes, A Lug Nuts Christmas, and Tartuffe.

Lauren-Leinhaas-Cook and Larry Cook have shared the stage many times, most recently in *Equus* and *In the Next Room* produced by Cadence Theatre and Virginia Rep and *The Music Man* at the November Theatre.

Direction & Design

Direction	Bruce Miller
Scenic Design	Terrie Powers
Lighting Design	BJ Wilkinson
Costume Design	Sarah Grady
Stage Management	Katherine Lea McDonald

Cast List

Michael	Larry Cook
Agnes	Lauren Leinhaas-Cook

Ticket Information

Box Office 804-282-2620

www.va-rep.org

Full Price Tickets: \$38

Discounted Group Rates and Rush tickets available.

U-Tix for college and high school students \$10. Available day of show by phone or in person. Student ID required.

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Evening performances at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Matinee performances at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday and select Wednesdays and Saturdays

About Virginia Repertory Theatre

Virginia Repertory Theatre, located in Richmond, VA, combines the talents and strengths of two nonprofit companies that shared facilities, resources, and management teams for over a decade. Now the heritages of Barksdale Theatre (founded in 1953) and Theatre IV (founded in 1975) live on in their new form, as Central Virginia's leading professional theater company. Virginia Rep presents national caliber productions of the great dramas, comedies, and musicals as well as classics, contemporary works, and

world premieres, always seeking to demonstrate the unique power of theater to engage, enthrall, educate, and inspire. Productions are staged at four distinct venues: the Sara Belle and Neil November Theatre and Theatre Gym at the downtown Virginia Rep Center, Virginia Rep's Children's Theatre located at Willow Lawn, and at Hanover Tavern, home to Virginia Rep's Barksdale Season.

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