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**Clarence Brown Theatre and Knoxville Symphony Orchestra Join Forces  
for First Time in a Decade for *Amadeus***

KNOXVILLE, TN – The Clarence Brown Theatre and the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra will join forces for the first time in a decade to present Peter Shaffer’s *Amadeus* on the Clarence Brown Theatre Main Stage September 8-19, 2010. Astounded by Mozart’s beautiful music, yet consumed by envy and insecurity, court composer Salieri sets out to destroy the prodigy’s life and career.

This rare and exciting collaborative production will be directed by CBT Producing Artistic Director Calvin MacLean and will feature the Knoxville Symphony Chamber Orchestra, conducted by KSO Music Director Lucas Richman, on stage with the actors. The role of Salieri will be played by John Fletch; Mozart will be played by CBT newcomer Brian Sills and Constanze, Mozart’s wife, will be played by Amelia Mathews. Schaad Companies is the lead sponsor for this production. Additional support was provided by Jim and Natalie Haslam and the University of Tennessee's College of Arts and Science: Bruce Bursten, Dean.

“This will truly be a once-in-a-lifetime event and a unique opportunity for our audiences to experience Peter Shaffer's brilliant drama with Mozart's extraordinary music performed live on stage with singers and a full orchestra,” says KSO Music Director Lucas Richman.

“What a wonderful collaboration! The musicianship of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra and the theatricality of the Clarence Brown Theatre bring to life a great play about music and theatre. It will be a thrilling celebration of the KSO's anniversary, with the CBT, for the entire Knoxville community,” says CBT Producing Artistic Director Calvin MacLean.

Tickets for this production are \$50 for Opening Night and weekend shows and \$40 for weeknight shows. College student tickets (non-UT) are available for \$17; UT students may purchase \$10 tickets directly through the CBT offices. K-12 student tickets are \$12. (Please be advised that due to adult content, this show is recommended for ages 14 and up.) Show dates and times are September 8-10, 14-17 and 19 at 7:30 PM and September 12 and 19 at 2:00 PM. Tickets may be purchased by calling the KSO Box Office at 865-291-3310 or the CBT Box Office at 865-974-5161 or logging on to [www.knoxvillesymphony.com](http://www.knoxvillesymphony.com) or [www.clarencebrowntheatre.com](http://www.clarencebrowntheatre.com).

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