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Ukraine relief efforts to benefit from The Drowsy Chaperone performance

at MacEwan University's Triffo Theatre

Edmonton – To help support the people of Ukraine, the Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications at MacEwan University will donate ticket sales from the April 1 performance of *The Drowsy Chaperone* to the <u>Canada-Ukraine Foundation</u>.

"The ongoing conflict in Ukraine has resulted in a humanitarian crisis," says Dr. Allan Gilliland, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts and Communication. "Millions of refugees are seeking refuge in Europe and North America. MacEwan University stands with Ukraine during these terrible times"

There will be six performances of *The Drowsy Chaperone* from March 30 to April 3 at the Triffo Theatre in Allard Hall.

Winner of five Tony Awards (including Best Book and Best Original Score), *The Drowsy Chaperone* is a loving send-up of the Jazz-age musical featuring one show-stopping song and dance number after another.

In a little apartment, a man in a chair puts on his favourite record: the cast recording of a fictitious 1928 musical. The recording comes to life and our show begins. With two lovers on the eve of their wedding, a bumbling best man, a desperate theatre producer, a not-so-bright hostess, two gangsters posing as pastry chefs, a misguided Don Juan and an intoxicated chaperone, you have the ingredients for an evening of madcap delight.

Hailed by *New York Magazine* as "The Perfect Broadway Musical," *The Drowsy Chaperone* is a meta-musical that pokes fun at all the tropes of the musical theatre genre.

Tickets are available at MacEwan.ca/TheatreSeason

Show dates

- Wednesday, Mar. 30 (preview): 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Mar. 31 (opening night): 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 1: 7:30 p.m. (Ticket proceeds to be donated to Canada-Ukraine Foundation)
- Saturday, Apr. 2: 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, Apr. 3: 1 p.m.

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