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## Photo Flash: Bucks County Playhouse Opens Season With AN ACT OF GOD



In an era where seemingly everything from "Roseanne" to "Will and Grace" has received a reboot, God also has decided to take a fresh look at one of his greatest cultural achievements, The Ten Commandments, in the hilarious Broadway comedy, "An Act of God." Directed by Tracy Brigden, the comedy runs at Bucks County Playhouse through June 16. The 2018 Bucks County Playhouse Season is sponsored by Bank of America.

Executive Producer Robyn Goodman, Producing Director Alexander Fraser and Producers Stephen Kocis and Josh Fiedler are thrilled with the cast and creative team. Returning to earth, the Supreme being takes the form of acclaimed New York actor, Harry Bouvy. He is joined onstage by two archangels, Ashley D. Kelley as Michael and Joe Kinosian as Gabriel.

Executive Producer Robyn Goodman talks about her belief in this hit Broadway comedy and selecting it to open the Bucks County Playhouse season. She said, "When I saw this play on Broadway, after wiping

the tears of laughter off my face, I thought of producing it at Bucks County Playhouse. The wit with which God reinvents his commandments could only be written by a master like Javerbaum." Written by 13-time Emmy Award® winner David Javerbaum ("The Daily Show"), "An Act of God" is an exceptionally witty comedy that delivers a new meaning to the phrase "divine intervention." In the play, Javerbaum brings God back. And God has a lot to say. Flanked by ever-faithful archangels, the Supreme Being gifts humanity with an entirely new set of Ten Commandments in a sinfully funny whirlwind of comedy heaven.

Bouvy most recently played Dr. Dillamond in the national tour of "Wicked." He played Sir Robin in "Spamalot" and Carmen Ghia in "The Producers." In NYC, Harry played Dr. Chilton in the off-Broadway smash, "Silence! The Musical," and can be heard on the original cast recording.

Born and raised in New York, Kelley is a graduate of Philadelphia's Temple University. She most recently starred in the title role in "Bella: An American Tall Tale" at Playwrights Horizons. She has appeared on "Marvel's Luke Cage" (Netflix) and in a recurring arc in the same network's new show, "Insatiable." Kinoshian returns to the Playhouse having previously appeared in "Murder for Two: Holiday Edition" and "The Nerd." Kinoshian co-wrote "Murder for Two" with writing partner Kellen Blair. He has performed the show more than 600 times.

"An Act of God" is based on David Javerbaum's 2011 book, "The Last Testament: A Memoir by God," and his Twitter account @TheTweetofGod, which had more than two million followers before he discontinued the feed in 2016. Javerbaum is the recipient of 13 Emmy Awards, a Grammy Award and three Peabody Awards for his work on "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart." Javerbaum is the co-creator of the Netflix sitcom "Disjointed" starring Kathy Bates and worked on "The Late Late Show with James Corden" and "The Colbert Report."

"An Act of God" features scenic design by Reid Thompson. Gina Scherr is lighting designer. Projection designer is Brad Peterson. Costume design is by Michael Krass. Liz Atkinson serves as sound designer. Ryan Looke is Production Stage Manager.

The production plays the following schedule: Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 2:00 pm (plus an additional evening performance Wednesday June 13 at 7:30 pm), Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Fridays at 8:00 p.m. (except Friday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m.), Saturdays at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. The Playhouse will hold a special post-show talkback on the first Tuesday evening performance, May 22.

Single tickets to "An Act of God" range from \$40 - \$75. Special rates for groups of 10 or more. Season ticket packages are still available. For complete details, and to purchase tickets, please visit [buckscountyplyhouse.org](http://buckscountyplyhouse.org), call 215-862-2121, or visit the box office at 70 South Main Street, New Hope, PA.