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NEW HERITAGE THEATRE GROUP CELEBRATES 60th ANNIVERSARY WITH GALA & THE LAUNCH OF THEIR ENDOWMENT FOR THE FUTURE, WITH CO-HONOREES INEZ E. DICKENS AND GALE BREWER

Mon, Dec 16th at 7pm at Harlem's CCNY Aaron Davis Hall

New York, NY — Harlem's New Heritage Theatre Group (NHTG), New York State's oldest Black nonprofit theater, proudly announces its **60th Anniversary Gala** and the launch of the **NHTG Endowment for the Future**, which will help secure the future of one of Harlem's most influential cultural and enduring institutions for generations to come. This milestone celebration will take place at the historic Marian Anderson Theatre at Aaron Davis Hall, City College of New York (115 Convent Avenue, between 133rd and 135th Streets), on **Monday, December 16, 2024, at 7 PM**.

Two extraordinary and passionate supporters of NHTG, **Inez E. Dickens**, New York State Assembly Member, and **Gale Brewer**, New York City Council Member, both of whom serve as **Co-Honorary Chairs** of the NHTG Endowment for the Future, will be honored during the Gala.

The 60th Anniversary Gala, hosted by award-winning actress Phyllis Yvonne Stickney and Andre Robinson, Jr., will also celebrate NHTG's tireless leaders, the remarkable **Voza Rivers** and **Jamal Joseph**.

"As we celebrate this milestone, I can't help but reflect on the incredible journey that began 60 years ago with my dear friend and co-founder, the late **Roger Furman**. Together, with an amazing team, we built New Heritage Theatre Group with a vision to amplify voices of color and nurture the next generation of artists and storytellers. This Gala is a testament to our enduring commitment to Harlem, the community that has nurtured me my entire life, and a celebration of the transformative power of art to inspire, uplift, and create lasting change."— Voza Rivers, Executive Producer, New Heritage Theatre Group

The 60th Anniversary Gala begins at **7:00 PM and doors open at 6:30 PM.** Tickets are complimentary but going fast—don't miss your chance to join us! <u>Click here</u> (or access via newheritagetheatre.org or NHTG60THGALA.EVENTBRITE.COM) to secure your tickets and explore ways to become a life-long member of the New Heritage Theatre Group family.

NHTG has ignited generations of artists and activists from Harry Belafonte, Ossie Davis, Ruby Dee, Mbongeni Ngema and the Broadway Musical *Sarafina!*, to Michael Green– Shades of Truth Theatre, Debra Ann Byrd-Harlem Shakespeare Festival, Daniel "Koa" Beaty-"Love Warrior", Luther "Anubis" Isler-Harlem Bomb Shelter, Impact Repertory Theatre, New Heritage Films, Community Works, the Harlem Arts Alliance and beyond.

More About New Heritage Theatre Group: Based in Harlem, New York, the New Heritage Theatre Group, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is dedicated to producing exceptional works of art that highlight and elevate the voices of veteran and emerging artists of color, as well as other underrepresented communities. Through theater, dance, music, film, and social justice initiatives, we strive to foster healing, transformation, and cultural dialogue on both local and global stages.New Heritage Theatre Group is dedicated to preserving and sustaining classic works of Black theatre. The theater was founded in 1964 by the late Roger Furman and founding member Voza Rivers. New Heritage has been a cornerstone of Harlem and the New York theater scene for **60 years**, providing soul-nourishing experiences that engage, inspire, and captivate. Donations (<u>newheritagetheatre.org/donate</u>/) are tax-deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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