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## By Dorothy Dittrich Directed by Simon Miron

"A beautiful meditation on loss and the healing power of music" - The Georgia Straight February 29 – March 16 | Preview on February 28 Tom Hendry Warehouse

WINNIPEG, February 14, 2024 – *The Piano Teacher* by acclaimed playwright and musical director Dorothy Dittrich, is a play about loss, love, friendship, and the healing power of music. *The Piano Teacher* was the winner of the 2022 Governor General's Literary Award for English-language drama.

When Erin, a classical pianist, experiences a devastating loss, she finds herself unable to play. Navigating her way through this change, she meets Elaine a gifted piano teacher who gives her new hope to find music again. The weekly sessions start tentatively but soon find a rhythm that enriches the lives of both women. *The Piano Teacher* is filled with lessons about moving through grief, friendships, and music as a healing art.

The Piano Teacher stars Gwendolyn Collins as Erin, Chris Sousa as Tom and Jane Testar as Elaine.

The creative team features Director **Simon Miron**, Set Designer **Shauna Jones**, Costume Designer **Joseph Abetria**, Lighting Designer **jaymez**, Sound Designer **Justin Stadnyk**, Assistant Director / Piano Coach **Jodi Kristjanson**, Stage Manager **Margaret Brook**, Apprentice Stage Manager **Devon Helm**.

Tickets for *The Piano Teacher* start at \$25 plus GST. For showtimes and ticket information, call the Royal MTC Box Office at 204 942 6537, toll-free at 1 877 446 4500 or visit royalmtc.ca.

B-roll will be sent to select media on February 28 and is also available on request. A selection of photos will be available for download on our website on February 27. To access these photos, visit the MEDIA CENTRE at royalmtc.ca/mediacentre.

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