

among men

MEDIA RELEASE

By David Yee

Directed by Suzie Martin

A co-production with Theatre Projects Manitoba

"An explosion of stunning language, poetry and a deep dive into the intoxicating, desperate world of being a poet and needing to write poems." – Lynn Slotkin

January 25 - February 10 | Preview on January 24

Tom Hendry Warehouse

WINNIPEG, January 3, 2024 – In an exciting first, Royal MTC and Theatre Projects Manitoba are partnering to produce **among men**, by Governor General Award and Siminovtich Prize winner, David Yee.

Set in 1959, David Yee's **among men** examines the dynamics between Al Purdy and Milton Acorn, both on the cusp of literary fame, as they work on Purdy's A-frame cottage on Roblin Lake in Prince Edward County.

In 10 years, Al and Milton will become celebrated Canadian poets, but for now, they're just two broke men drinking whiskey and fighting with a wood-fire stove. On the precipice of greatness, and a hangover, the poets struggle to build an A-frame cottage, while dismantling the narrow notion of 20th century masculinity.

among men stars **Eric Blais** as Al Purdy and **Tom Keenan** as Milton Acorn.

The creative team features Director **Suzie Martin** making her directorial debut for both companies, Set Designer **Adam Parboosingh**, Costume Designer **Daina Leitold**, Lighting Designer **Hugh Conacher**, Sound Designer **Ashley Au**, Assistant Director **Christine Leslie**, Assistant Set Designer **Joyce Licup**, Assistant Lighting Designer **Anika Binding**, Production Dramaturg **Dana Tanner-Kennedy**, Assistant Production Dramaturg **Jasmine Hopfe**, Stage Manager **Ridge Romanishen** and Apprentice Stage Manager **Jazz Marcelino**.

Tickets for **among men** 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 January 24 and is also available on request. A selection of photos will be available for download on our website on January 23. To access these photos, visit the MEDIA CENTRE at royalmtc.ca/mediacentre.

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