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**CONTINUING TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO
FLATTEN THE CURVE ON SPREAD OF INFECTION,
ARTSEMERSON CALLS AN EARLY END
TO ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON**

PARABLE OF THE SOWER RESCHEDULED FOR OCT 01-04

69° S. & METAMORPHOSIS CANCELLED

WISE CHILDREN SCREENINGS CANCELLED

**SUMMER SPECIAL ENGAGEMENT DRUMFOLK
CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO PROCEED
AS SCHEDULED, JULY 22-AUGUST 01**

[Boston, MA – March 24, 2020] – ArtsEmerson will not present any performances and screenings remaining in its 19/20 10th Anniversary Season, continuing its support of urgent civic efforts to flatten the curve on the spread of the infectious coronavirus (COVID-19). In this way, we stand together by standing apart.

ArtsEmerson is thrilled to share that **Octavia E. Butler’s Parable of the Sower** has been rescheduled to play the Emerson Cutler Majestic Theatre October 01-04, 2020.

The organization’s final two shows of its 10th Anniversary Season, **69° S. (The Shackleton Project)** and **Metamorphosis**, have been cancelled. **69° S.** was originally scheduled to play the Emerson Paramount Center April 28 – May 03, and **Metamorphosis** was scheduled to play the Paramount May 13 – 17.

ArtsEmerson’s screenings of **Wise Children (March 27 – 29)** at the Paramount’s Bright Family Screening Room have also been cancelled.



All ticket-holders will be notified directly with information and instructions as soon as possible. For anyone holding tickets to one of these performances, ArtsEmerson requests that patrons wait for an email with instructions rather than calling the box office. Staff members are working as quickly as possible in these challenging times.

At this time, ArtsEmerson' Summer Special Engagement – Step Afrika!'s **Drumfolk** – is scheduled to proceed as planned, playing the Emerson Cutler Majestic Theatre from July 22 – August 01.

"The decision to postpone **Parable of the Sower** and cancel all public programming of our 10th Anniversary Season were not easy decisions, but certainly the right ones," says ArtsEmerson Executive Director David C. Howse. "These are unsettling times, and still, we are called to act and make decisions based on the information that we have in this moment. Our team has moved well throughout the swift and abrupt transitions, and we are now focused on and preparing for our return to the theater. For us, the rainbow in this cloud is knowing that we will, when it is safe, return to our theaters."

ArtsEmerson has also discontinued in-person service at its box office. Phone or email service remains available during normal hours of operation, Tuesday - Saturday from 10am - 6pm, by calling 617.824.8400 or emailing Tickets@ArtsEmerson.org.

For more information, please visit www.ArtsEmerson.org.

About ArtsEmerson

ArtsEmerson is Boston's leading presenter of contemporary world theatre. Our mission is to bring people together to experience powerful performances that delight, provoke, and inspire, celebrating both our differences and common humanity. Founded in 2010 by Robert J. Orchard — the year the U.S. Census confirmed there was no single cultural majority in Boston — we committed to building a cultural institution that reflects the diversity of our city. Our imaginative season of globe-spanning performances, film, and dialogue invites each of us to be part of a Boston that is more creative, equitable, and connected. ArtsEmerson is led by Artistic Director, David Dower and Executive Director, David Howse. For more information, visit ArtsEmerson.org.

About Emerson College

ArtsEmerson is the professional presenting and producing organization at Emerson College. Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs in Los Angeles, Washington, DC, the Netherlands, London, China, and the Czech Republic as well as its new Global Portals, with the first program launching this fall in Paris. The College has an active network of 39,000 alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit Emerson.edu.

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