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TICKETS GO ON SALE SUNDAY FOR BARYSHNIKOV'S *IN PARIS* AT BERKELEY REP

Romantic show already set new box-office record during exclusive pre-sale to subscribers

OCTOBER 19, 2011 – Berkeley Repertory Theatre broke its own box-office record with the special presentation of *In Paris*, starring legendary performer **Mikhail Baryshnikov**. On the first day of an exclusive pre-sale period for the Theatre's subscribers, *In Paris* shattered the previous record for single-day sales – and achieved that feat before 8 AM. By midnight, this eagerly anticipated show topped the top days for Green Day's *American Idiot* and Anna Deavere Smith's *Let Me Down Easy* combined!

Now tickets for *In Paris* will be made available to the general public. They may disappear quickly, so mark your calendars. **Seats go on sale at berkeleyrep.org on Sunday, October 23 at 12:01 AM.** Phone and in-person sales begin when the box office opens at noon.

Berkeley Rep invites you to a love story that could only unfold *In Paris*. Mikhail Baryshnikov takes the stage with **Anna Sinyakina** and a talented ensemble assembled by visionary director **Dmitry Krymov**. Based on a story by Nobel Prize-winner **Ivan Bunin**, *In Paris* is a dazzling new play set in the 1930s, which mixes movement with a romantic story and spectacular design. This rare international collaboration – told in French and Russian with English supertitles – unites renowned artists born in Russia for a vivid visual experience. Visit the city of light and love with Berkeley Rep, Baryshnikov, and the Dmitry Krymov Laboratory.

"Baryshnikov plies his trade with wonder, grace and more than a touch of genius," the **San Francisco Chronicle** asserts. "The man looks almost as beautiful now as he did a generation ago, and his charisma grows with the passing decades. No one holds the stage with as much ease and command."

"The Dmitry Krymov Laboratory – a young Moscow-based company – has offered him an exceptional new leading role. Premiered in Finland in August, *In Paris* contains little to no dance, but as theatre it is resoundingly poetic work... an intimate, melancholy story, where even the jokes are bittersweet," says London's **Financial Times**. "A chorus of five actors and singers joins the couple, and both the music and the subtle use of video contribute to the atmosphere of this eerie, surprising production."

"Dmitry Krymov is arguably the most critically acclaimed Russian director," declares the **Moscow Times**. He "is redefining what it means to be a director."

***In Paris* will play only 20 performances** at Berkeley Rep, beginning on April 25 and running through May 13. Presented in the Roda Theatre, this exciting new show is a production of the Baryshnikov Arts Center, Dmitry Krymov Laboratory, and Russian Century Foundation in association with Korjaamo Theater, Helsinki.

Tickets for *In Paris* start at only \$45 – half that for anyone under 30 years of age. To purchase seats, or for more information, call (510) 647-2949 or toll-free at (888) 4-BRT-Tix – or just click berkeleyrep.org.

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Berkeley Repertory Theatre has grown from a storefront stage to a national leader in innovative theatre. Known for its core values of imagination and excellence, as well as its educated and adventurous audience, the nonprofit has provided a welcoming home for emerging and established artists since 1968. With two stages, a school, and a Tony Award for Outstanding Regional Theatre, Berkeley Rep is proud to premiere exhilarating new plays. In the last six years, the company has helped send six shows to Broadway. Seven more landed off Broadway, one moved to London, two turned into films, and others have toured the nation. Come see tomorrow's plays today at Berkeley Rep.

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IN PARIS

WHO: Adapted from the short story by Ivan Bunin
 Direction and adaptation by Dmitry Krymov
 Set and costume design by Maria Tregubova
 Music by Dmitry Volkov
 Performed by Mikhail Baryshnikov and Anna Sinyakina, Maxim Maminov, Maria Gulik, Dmitry Volkov, Polina Butko with Ossi Makkonen and Lasse Lindberg

WHAT: *In Paris*, a vivid visual experience created by renowned artists born in Russia

WHERE: Berkeley Repertory Theatre
 Roda Theatre, 2015 Addison Street @ Shattuck, Berkeley, CA 94704

WHEN: **April 25 – May 13, 2012**

- Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays @ 8:00 PM
- Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM (except opening on April 25 @ 8:00 PM)
- Saturdays @ 2:00 PM and 8:00 PM
- Sundays @ 2:00 PM

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OPENING NIGHT TASTING

HOW MUCH: **\$22.50 - \$125** (subject to change)
 Discounts: • Half-price tickets available for anyone under 30 years of age
 • \$10 discount for students and seniors one hour before curtain
 • Groups of 15 or more, contact (510) 647-2918 or groups@berkeleyrep.org

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