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SHAKESPEARE THEATRE COMPANY
HOSTS NEW ADMINISTRATION
AT *WELCOME TO WASHINGTON*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Shakespeare Theatre Company has invited members of the new Administration and new members of Congress to *Welcome to Washington*, a very special evening dedicated to the celebration of Washington’s commitment to the performing arts. Honorary Co-Chairs include Supreme Court Justices Alito, Breyer, Kennedy and Ginsburg; Congresspersons Coble, Collins, Dicks, Feinstein, Harman, Norton and Stearns; Mr. Donald Graham; and Ms. Carol M. Browner. According to Artistic Director Michael Kahn, the extraordinary event is intended to introduce incoming politicians to “the wealth of talent in Washington’s professional performing arts companies.” *Welcome to Washington* will include performances by Arena Stage, Shakespeare Theatre Company, Signature Theatre, Step Afrika!, Synetic Theater, The Washington Ballet, The Washington National Opera, Washington Bach Consort and Washington Performing Arts Society. Many additional DC performing arts organizations will have a presence at the event. “Our city offers an extraordinary variety and richness of artistic experience in classical and contemporary theatre, dance and instrumental and vocal music,” said Kahn. “The evening’s performances will showcase this diversity and offer Washington newcomers the opportunity to meet many of the directors and performers who contribute to the vibrant artistic life of Washington.” *Welcome to Washington* will take place on April 21 at Shakespeare Theatre Company’s Sidney Harman Hall.

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