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Beck Center Teen Theater presents High School Horror with CARRIE *Cult classic musical comes to Mackey Theater March 24–April 2*

Lakewood, OH—Beck Center Teen Theater continues their 2016–2017 season with *CARRIE the musical*, **March 24–26 and March 31–April 2, 2017** in the Mackey Theater. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. Sundays. A student matinee will take place at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 30. Tickets are on sale now at 216.521.2540 x10 or beckcenter.org. *CARRIE the musical* contains strong language and adult content.

Carrie White is a misfit. At school, she is an outcast who is bullied by the popular crowd, and virtually invisible to everyone else. At home, she's at the mercy of her loving but cruelly over-protective mother. But Carrie's just discovered she's got a special power, and if pushed too far...she's not afraid to use it. Based on the bestselling novel by **Stephen King**, this production features music by **Michael Gore**, lyrics by **Dean Pitchford**, and book by **Lawrence D. Cohen**.

With a cast of 21 Beck Center students ages 12 to 19, this notorious musical is directed by Associate Director of Youth Theater Education **Jonathan Kronenberger**. He is joined by musical director **Larry Goodpaster** and choreographer **Katie Zarecki**. "It's always exciting to work with our teens on a piece which has characters their own age and reflects their own experiences," remarked Kronenberger. "High school can be a hellish time for people. We need to remind ourselves that we're all human, and what does it cost to be kind?"

Tickets are \$12 for Adults/Seniors and \$10 for Children (18 and under), and may be purchased online at beckcenter.org or by calling 216.521.2540 x10. Discounted group rates, and student matinee tickets for classes, are available and can be scheduled by calling Customer Service Manager Rennie Tisdale at 216.521.2450 x28. The remainder of the Youth Theater season also includes *Schoolhouse Rock Live!*, May 12–21, 2017.

Beck Center for the Arts is located at 17801 Detroit Avenue in Lakewood. Free onsite parking is available. The 2016–2017 Youth Theater season is presented by the **Mort and Iris November Philanthropy Fund**, and is made possible by the support of Cuyahoga County residents through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture and the Ohio Arts Council.

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