

# **Experience the Eletrifying Reunion of Rock Legends in Milwaukee Repertory Theater's Million Dollar Quartet this Spring**



Milwaukee, WI – [February 24, 2025] – Milwaukee Repertory Theater is thrilled to present the final show in its 2024/25 Season, the Tony Award-winning hit *Million Dollar Quartet* with book by Colin Escott and Floyde Mutrux, beginging April 22 – May 24, 2025 in the Wilson Theater at Vogel Hall in the Marcus Performing Arts Center (121 E. State Street, Milwaukee).

Rock 'n' roll icons Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Carl Perkins are brought together by an extraordinary twist of fate on a December evening in 1956. This meeting at Sun Records would become one of the greatest jam sessions of all time. Based on a true story, *Million Dollar Quartet* brings that momentous occasion to vibrant life featuring a glorious score of rock 'n' roll, gospel, R&B and country hits, performed live onstage by world-class actors and musicians. Songs include "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "Walk the Line," "Great Balls of Fire," "Hound Dog" and more. Don't miss this irresistible tale of broken promises, secrets, and celebrations that is both heartwarming and hilarious in this award-winning smash-hit musical.

The talented cast of *Million Dollar Quartet* features **Aja Alcazar** (*A Christmas Carol,* Milwaukee Rep) as Dyanne, **Blake Burgess** (*Million Dollar Quartet,* North Shore Music Theatre) as Johnny Cash, **JP Coletta** (*Million Dollar Quartet,* Infinity Theatre Co.) as Jerry Lee Lewis, **Joe Hebel** (*Jersey Boys,* The Rev Theatre Co.) as Elvis Presley,

**Armando Gutierrez** (*Run Bambi Run*, Milwaukee Rep) as Carl Perkins, **Seth K. Hale** (*Nuncrackers*, Milwaukee Rep) as Sam Phillips, **Patrick Morrow** (*Run Bambi Run*, Milwaukee Rep) as W.S. Fluke Holland, and **Michael Ritter** (*West Side Story*, Milwaukee Rep) as Brother Jay.

Million Dollar Quartet is directed by Laura Braza (What the Constitution Means to Me, Much Ado About Nothing at Milwaukee Rep), with music direction by Dan Kazemi (Much Ado About Nothing, Milwaukee Rep), set design by Dan Conway (End of the Rainbow, Milwaukee Rep), lighting design by Jason Fassl (The Coast Starlight, Milwaukee Rep), costume design by Raquel Adorno (A Raisin in the Sun, Court Theatre), sound design by Matthew M. Neilson (Two Trains Running, Milwaukee Rep), voice and dialect coach Jill Walmsley Zager, casting by Jonathan Hetler and stage managed by Jade Bruno and assistant stage manager Josh Hart.

*Million Dollar Quartet* is made possible in part by Corporate Sponsor We Energies Foundation, Executive Producers Amy and Fred Croen, Susan and Howard Hopwod, Susan and Thomas Quadracci, RA Stevens Foundation and Judy Van Till with Associate Producer Kris and Wayne Lueders, Abbie and David Nash, Mary Beth and Harry Van Groll and media sponsor Shepherd Express.

Don't miss the remaining plays in Milwaukee Rep's 2024/25 Season including the world premiere of *The Craic* in the Stackner Cabaret now through March 16, London's West End thriller *The Woman in Black* now through March 23 in the Stiemke Studio, the modern musical classic *The Last Five Years* March 21 – May 18 in the Stackner Cabaret and the bilingual play *Espejos: Clean* April 8 – May 11 in the Stiemke Studio.

*Million Dollar Quartet* runs April 22 – May 24, 2025, in the Wilson Theater at Vogel Hall in the Marcus Performing Arts Center. Opening night is set for Friday, April 25 at 8pm. To purchase tickets to go to <a href="https://www.MilwaukeeRep.com">www.MilwaukeeRep.com</a>, call the Ticket Office at 414-224-9490 or visit in person at 108 E Wells Street in Downtown Milwaukee.

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## **Million Dollar Quartet**

Book by Colin Escott and Floyd Mutrux Original Concept and Direction by Floyd Mutrux

Directed by Laura Braza

<u>April 22 – May 24, 2025 (Opening Night Friday, April 25 at 8:00pm) in Wilson Theater at Vogel Hall in the Marcus Performing Arts Center</u>

## **Talks and Events**

Early Bird Performance: Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30pm

TalkBacks: Wednesday evenings following the performance: April 30, May 7, 21

Post-Show Panels: Thursday, May 15 – History of Black and White Music

### Information

Tickets: www.MilwaukeeRep.com, by phone at 414-224-9490, or Ticket Office at 108 E Wells

Street, Milwaukee.

**Hours:** 12 noon – 6pm; on performance days the Ticket Office remains open until 15 minutes past curtain.

Student Discounts: Students 18 and under can purchase \$20 tickets for select seating areas.

25 & Under: Select \$20 tickets available for patrons 25 & Under. (Select 25 & Under price at checkout online)

**Group Sales:** Discounted tickets for parties of 10+. Call 414-290-5340.

### **About Milwaukee Repertory Theater**

Milwaukee Rep is the largest performing arts organization in Wisconsin with its new artistic home in the Associated Bank Theater Center opening Fall 2025 with three unique performance venues – the Ellen & Joe Checota Powerhouse Theater, Herro-Franke Studio Theater and Stackner Cabaret. For over seven decades, Milwaukee Rep has been a centerpiece of Milwaukee's vibrant arts and cultural scene with productions ranging from Broadway musicals to Shakespeare to American Classics and New Works that are entertaining, inclusive and impactful. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Mark Clements and Executive Director Chad Bauman, Milwaukee Repertory Theater ignites positive change in the cultural, social and economic vitality of its community by creating world-class theater experiences that entertain, provoke and inspire meaningful dialogue among an audience representative of Milwaukee's rich diversity. More information is available at www.MilwaukeeRep.com

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