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"When the poor and needy seek water and there is none, I the LORD will hear them; I will open rivers in high places; I will plant in the wilderness... the ACACIA... that they may see and know, and consider and understand that the hand of the LORD has done this."

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## **Christmas in June: Acacia Gives Romantic Comedy**

MILWAUKEE (May 14, 2025) – After years of growing up and dreaming big, two dear friends in the setting of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* are eager for life in *Georgiana and Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley* by Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon. Georgiana plays music about love while hesitating to pursue it; Kitty advocates for her friend's abilities, through which her own are developed. Amidst romantic intrigue, family presumptions, societal standards, and personal risk, can the friends protect each other and their peace? Fit for any season, this charming production and story follows Acacia's *Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley*, a box office hit in 2023 and in its 2024 revival.

Director Erin Nicole Eggers returns to the helm, praised for her "simple and intimate" (*Shepherd Express*) staging of *Miss Bennet*. Over half of the "outstanding" (*Shepherd Express*) ensemble also returns to *Georgiana and Kitty*, led by two rising actors in the Milwaukee theatre scene. Jena Dorn, who left a "solid impression" (*Total Theater*) for her performance in *Miss Bennet*, plays Georgiana. She is joined by Lily Lourigan, who recently starred in the world premiere of *Life Cycle of a Star* at Carthage College, in the role of Kitty. The diversity and talent of Acacia's cast confirms its shared belief with playwrights Gunderson and Melcon: "Jane Austen is for everyone."

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In keeping with Acacia's commitment to make theatre more accessible, all tickets for *Georgiana* and Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley are pay what you can and may be purchased at www.acaciatheatre.com or by calling 414-744-5995. Performances will be given in The Norvell Commons at St. Christopher's Church, located at 7845 North River Road, Milwaukee, WI 53217.

### **Performance dates:**

Fri., June 13th at 7:30 PM, Sat., June 14th at 7:30 PM, Sun., June 15th at 3:00 PM, Thu., June 19th at 7:30 PM, Fri., June 20th at 7:30 PM, Sat., June 21st at 4:00 PM, Sun., June 22nd at 3:00 PM, Thu., June 26th at 7:30 PM, Fri., June 27th at 7:30 PM, Sat., June 28th at 4:00 PM, Sun., June 29th at 3:00 PM

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# **About Acacia Theatre Company**

Founded in 1980, Acacia Theatre Company is an independent, non-profit, interdenominational group of dramatic artists who share a common desire to integrate art and faith by presenting theatre from a Judeo-Christian worldview. Through uplifting, quality entertainment, Acacia provides occasion for thanksgiving, growth and enjoyment, and the opportunity for Christians and non-Christians to consider their lives in relation to God. More information is available at <a href="https://www.acaciatheatre.com">www.acaciatheatre.com</a>.