

### <u>IMMEDIATE RELEASE</u>

# Wander through Niagara-on-the-Lake's private gardens at the Shaw Guild's 14<sup>th</sup> annual Shaw Garden Tour

- Discover seven enchanting residential gardens on June 8 -

**Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON (May 13, 2019)** — Garden enthusiasts will explore seven artisan gardens located throughout Niagara-on-the-Lake's Heritage District during the Shaw Guild's 14<sup>th</sup> annual **Shaw Garden Tour** on Saturday, June 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each and available online at shawfest.com/gardentour or by calling 1-800-511-SHAW.

This one-day, self-guided tour provides exclusive access to private gardens showcasing beautiful perennials, specimen trees, restful ponds and much more. Each property includes a detailed feature sheet and a Master Gardener on-site to answer any questions. To complete the day in Niagara-on-the-Lake, visitors can take in an evening performance of **Patrick Hamilton**'s psychological thriller <u>Rope</u> at the Royal George Theatre (85 Queen Street) or the **Tennessee Williams** autobiographical masterpiece <u>The Glass Menagerie</u> at the Jackie Maxwell Studio Theatre (10 Queen's Parade). Tickets are available through the Shaw Festival box office.

The Shaw Guild has grown the garden experience with the addition of Sip, Savour & Stroll – A Shaw Garden Tour VIP Experience on June 7 at 5:45 p.m. This intimate evening event includes: a stroll through three gardens, including two that are not on the public tour; complimentary wine service, savoury and sweet hors d'oeuvres; and live music at each garden provided by members of the Shaw Festival Orchestra. The Sip, Savour & Stroll ticket also includes admission to the Shaw Garden Tour on June 8. Tickets to this special event are \$75 per person and can be purchased online at <a href="mailto:shawfest.com/sipsavourandstroll">shawfest.com/sipsavourandstroll</a> or through the Shaw Festival box office at 1-800-511-SHAW. This event will be held rain or shine.

All ticket sale proceeds will support The Shaw's production of A Christmas Carol.

The Shaw Guild's Shaw Garden Tour is made possible by the support of garden owners, Master Gardener and local sponsors, including: Mori Gardens, Allen's Landscape Supply Depot & Garden Centre, John & Laurie Sobil - Bosley Real Estate Brokerage, Ltd., Bravo Niagara, Jackson-Triggs Estate Wines, Mr. Furnace Heating and Air Conditioning, Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club & Restaurant, Niagara-on-the-Lake Realty, Oban Inn Spa and Restaurant, Simpson's Pharmacy, Sweets & Swirls Café, Phil's Valu-mart Virgil and Tree Amigos Landscaping Inc.

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# About the Shaw Guild

The Shaw Guild is an organization of volunteers who promote interest in and support of the Festival and its activities. The Shaw Guild are advocates for The Shaw while promoting community support for the Festival. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.shawguild.ca">www.shawguild.ca</a>.

# **About the Shaw Festival**

Inspired by the spirit of Bernard Shaw, the Shaw Festival creates unforgettable theatrical encounters. The Shaw Festival is a place where people who are curious about the world gather to share the unique experience of live theatre and to create a deeper human connection with the artists, the beauty and abundance of Niagara and with each other. For more information, please visit www.shawfest.com.

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