

JUNGLE THEATER

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Regional Premiere

CONSTELLATIONS

By Nick Payne

Directed by Gary Gisselman

April 15-May 29, 2016

The Jungle Theater

2951 Lyndale Av. S., Minneapolis

Tickets: \$25-\$48

Box office: 612-822-7063 or www.jungletheater.com

Science and Romance Collide in Stellar *Constellations* *Jungle Theater to present regional premiere April 15-May 29*

“The nearest I’ve come across in ages to a play that feels heaven-sent.” ~ *New York Times*

“A singular astonishment.” ~ *The New Yorker*

(MINNEAPOLIS; March 15, 2016) – The Jungle’s 26th Season continues with the regional premiere of **CONSTELLATIONS** by British playwright [Nick Payne](#), starring Ivey Award-winning **Anna Sundberg** (*Venus in Fur, Detroit*) and **Ron Menzel** (*Macbeth, Orson Welles Rehearses Moby Dick*). **Gary Gisselman**, who directed last summer’s Jungle hit, *You Can’t Take It With You*, is at the helm of this sophisticated, sexy two-character drama. ***Constellations* opens April 15 and runs through May 29** at the Lyn-Lake neighborhood theater, 2951 Lyndale Ave. S. in Minneapolis.

Nick Payne’s ***Constellations*** was a huge success in London and New York, where it had a Lincoln Center run with Jake Gyllenhaal and Ruth Wilson, earning her a Tony® nomination for Best Actress, and Drama League nominations for Best Play, Best Actor and Best Actress.

The 75-minute play explores free will and friendship; it’s also about parallel universes, love—and honey. The spellbinding, romantic journey begins with a simple encounter between Marianne, a physicist, and Roland, a beekeeper. But what happens next defies the boundaries

of the known – delving into the infinite possibilities of their relationship and raising questions about the difference between choice and destiny.

Gisselman’s creative team features the talents of **Kate Sutton Johnson** (scenic and costume design), **Barry Browning** (lighting design) and **C. Andrew Mayer** (sound design).

New this Season

The 2016 Season includes the new Jungle’s “Come Early, Stay Late” program, which offers pre- and post-show conversations at every performance. Come early (one hour prior to curtain) and stay late sessions (immediately following the show) will give audience members the opportunity to discuss the play’s themes and ideas with people in the know.

Ticket information

Performances of **Constellations** are Tuesdays (\$35), Wednesdays (\$35) and Thursdays (\$40) at 7:30 p.m.; Fridays (\$45) and Saturdays at 8 p.m. (\$48); Sundays at 2 p.m. (\$40) and 7:30 p.m. (\$35). Preview performances on April 13-14 are \$15. Rush tickets are offered every night of the week based on availability at 30 minutes prior to the performance, and there is special Friday night pricing for students, 55408 Neighbors and those under 30 years of age. Tickets and more information are available at (612) 822-7063 or online at www.jungletheater.com

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Dates

Previews	Wed.-Thurs.	April 13-14	@ 7:30 p.m.
Opening Night	Friday	April 15	@ 8:00 p.m.
Media Night	Friday	April 15	@ 8:00 p.m.
Audio-Described	Thursday	April 28	@ 7:30 p.m.
Closes	Sunday	May 29	@ 7:30 p.m.

About the Jungle Theater

The Jungle Theater, headed by Artistic Director Sarah Rasmussen, is a neighborhood theater with a national impact. As one of the region’s most dynamic theaters, the Jungle is known for its definitive productions, exquisite design, masterful acting and compelling storytelling. Since its founding in 1991, the Jungle has been a flagship example of the transformative power of the performing arts, playing a vital, continuing role in the economic, social and cultural life of its Minneapolis Lyn-Lake neighborhood.