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Mahaiwe Free Fun Friday: Sing Along with The Muppet Movie

Great Barrington, Mass.— The Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center presents Free Fun Friday: *Sing Along with The Muppet Movie* on Friday, July 7 at 11:00am, with related art activities led by IS183 Art School instructors from 9:30am to 11:00am and 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Admission is free thanks to sponsorship by the Highland Street Foundation.

“We can’t wait for the Mahaiwe’s fifth Free Fun Friday! This year, the audience can sing along with *The Muppet Movie* and enjoy surprises throughout the screening,” says Mahaiwe Executive Director Beryl Jolly. “We are delighted to partner with IS183, so kids can enjoy make-a-monster activities in the lower lobby promenade before and after the movie, and we greatly appreciate the sponsorship from the Highland Street Foundation, which makes this program possible.”

Sing Along with The Muppet Movie provides family-friendly, raucous interactions with the classic, timeless Jim Henson film. IBEX Puppetry leads the audience of cheering, singing fans to renew their “rainbow connection” with the fleecy friends who started it all. It’s full of interactive fun—children and adults alike are urged to yell out famous lines, dance in the aisles, and of course, sing along with the movie to forge new or renew connections to a film from another generation.

The Highland Street Foundation is committed to addressing the most pressing needs and concerns for children and families in Massachusetts and California. It provides access

and opportunities in education, housing, mentorship, health care, environment, and the arts. Since 2009, Free Fun Fridays has drawn more than 900,000 visitors to venues throughout the Commonwealth. The program has grown to include participating venues in every corner of the state, helping them open their doors for free to the community.

About the Mahaiwe

Located in downtown Great Barrington, Massachusetts, the Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center is the year-round presenter of world-class music, dance, theater, classic films, Live in HD broadcasts, and arts education programs for the southern Berkshires and neighboring regions. The intimate jewel box of a theater opened in 1905. Since 2005, the performing arts center has hosted over 1,500 events and welcomed over half a million people through its doors. More than 18,000 students from 61 different schools have benefited from the Mahaiwe's school-time performances and residencies. For tickets and information, see mahaiwe.org or call 413.528.0100.

About the Berkshires

Less than three hours from New York City and Boston, the Berkshires offers culture and adventure year-round. The surrounding mountains provide plenty of opportunity for outdoor excursions in all seasons while world class culture and entertainment, along with a deeply rooted food culture and an array of lodging options amidst picturesque towns, set this region apart. For more information, visit berkshires.org.