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Mahaiwe Presents Alan Cumming

Great Barrington, Mass.— Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center presents Broadway and television star Alan Cumming in *Alan Cumming: Legal Immigrant* on Sunday, July 15 at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$31 to \$146.

“We’re thrilled to bring Alan Cumming back this summer,” says Mahaiwe Executive Director Beryl Jolly. “His 2016 Mahaiwe gala performance in *Alan Cumming Sings Sappy Songs* showcased his incredible talent and his accessibility as an individual; this new show promises to be equally brilliant.”

“I think America is actually still a land of opportunity. You can come from somewhere else and magic things can happen,” said Cumming.

Cumming is an actor and activist and, according to the *New York Times*, “a bawdy countercultural sprite.” *Time Magazine* named him one of the most fun people in show business. He played political maverick Eli Gold on CBS’s *The Good Wife*, for which he received Golden Globe, Emmy, SAG, and Satellite award nominations. He won a Tony Award playing the Emcee in the Broadway musical *Cabaret*.

His diverse career has found him performing at venues around the globe, including the Sydney Opera House; making back-to-back films with Stanley Kubrick and The Spice Girls; directing and starring in a musical condom commercial; creating voices of a Smurf, a goat, and Hitler; entering upside down and suspended by his ankles in a Greek tragedy

(in the National Theatre of Scotland's *The Bacchae*); and recording an award-winning album of songs (plus a dance remix).

Cumming has also won over thirty awards for his humanitarianism and social activism, received both the Great Scot and Icon of Scotland awards from his homeland and was made an OBE (Officer of the British Empire) for his contributions to the arts and LGBT equality. He lives in New York City and Edinburgh with his husband, illustrator Grant Shaffer, and their dogs, Jerry and Lala.

The Mahaiwe is located at 14 Castle Street in Great Barrington, MA. Box office hours are Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 4:00pm and three hours before show times. For tickets and information, see www.mahaiwe.org or call 413.528.0100.

About the Mahaiwe

Located in downtown Great Barrington, MA, 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 20,000 students from 61 different schools have benefited from the Mahaiwe's school-time performances and residencies. For more information, see www.mahaiwe.org.

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.

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