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# **Performing Arts at Oakton Presents “The Diary of Anne Frank”**

Des Plaines, Ill. (Oct. 21, 2019) – For over 60 years, “The Diary of Anne Frank” has enlightened and educated millions throughout the world. The Performing Arts at Oakton brings this important message against hatred to the stage with performances Nov. 7-10, Nov. 14-17 and Nov. 21-24, at Oakton Community College’s Footlik Theater, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines.

“Anne Frank’s extraordinary diary is as vital today as when it was first written,” says director Kathleen Carot, professor of speech, theater and humanities at Oakton. “These performances are a critical way of remembering one of the bleakest periods in human history.”

Opening night is 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, with a special $5 preview. Enjoy performances 7:30 p.m. Friday Nov. 8, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10. The play continues at Oakton 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17. The production concludes its run with performances at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m. Saturday Nov. 23 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24.

During the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands, Frank went into hiding with her family in the upper rooms of the annex of her father’s office building in Amsterdam. Hidden for two years, her family was finally discovered and sent to a Nazi concentration camp. After worldwide success in print, her diary was dramatized in 1956. This two-act play brings Frank’s indestructible nobility of spirit back to life.

Tickets are $12 for general admission, $10 for students and seniors and $8 for groups of 15 or more. Purchase online at [www.oakton.edu/tickets](http://www.oakton.edu/tickets) or call 847-635-1900.

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