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MORONGO VALLEY, CA

GROVES CABIN THEATRE RELEASE

**HIGHLY ACCLAIMED DRAMA "MARION BRIDGE" OPENING AT
GROVES CABIN THEATRE IN MORONGO VALLEY SATURDAY, FEB. 7
TO PLAY FOR FOUR WEEKENDS PLUS TWO ADDED PERFORMANCES
AT THE BLAK BOX THEATRE IN JOSHUA TREE**

Groves Cabin Theatre in Morongo Valley will present Daniel MacIvor's highly acclaimed and compelling drama "*Marion Bridge*" for four weekends beginning Saturday, February 7. There will also be two special added performances at the **Blak Box Theatre** at the Hi-Desert Cultural Center in Joshua Tree on March 7 & 8.

MacIvor artfully tells the story of one family's journey through frailty, forgiveness, and, love, as three grown sisters reunite at their childhood home, reconciling the memories of their pasts, and their relationships with each other and their ailing mother. "This is a feel-good play: courageous, honest, bold, and gentle without being overly sentimental," says award winning actor and the show's director, Bob Harrison.

"*Marion Bridge*" stars Donette Swain, Sue Bradley, and Julie Scott as the sisters and features sets by award-winning set designer Pat Smith. Deborah Hagedorn is the show's Stage Manager.

Groves Cabin Theatre (<http://www.grovescabintheatre.org/>) has won multiple Desert Theatre League awards for its high-quality productions. The 21-seat theater offers one of the most intimate theatrical experiences available anywhere in the world—that experience having been described as being "like a fly on the wall, witnessing life happening before my eyes." **The limited seating means early reservations are a must.**

"*Marion Bridge*" will be performed each Saturday evening at 8:00 PM and Sunday afternoon at 2:30 PM from Saturday, February 7, through Sunday, March 1. **Groves Cabin Theatre** is located at 8768 Desert Willow Trail in Morongo Valley north of Highway 62 (look for the large red, white, and blue stone on the north side of the highway). Tickets for all seats are \$10. For additional information and reservations call! (760) 365-4523.

There will be two added special performances of "*Marion Bridge*" at the **Blak Box Theatre** at the Hi-Desert Cultural Center, 61231 Twentynine Palms Hwy. in Joshua Tree on Saturday, March 7, at 8:00 PM and Sunday, March 8, at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$14. Reservations for the Blak Box Theatre performances may be made at www.hidesertculturalcenter.com or by calling (760) 366-3777.

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