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VERTIGO THEATRE Y STAGE THEATRE SERIES PRODUCER NATHAN PRONYSHYN ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE JUNE 2017

Calgary, AB - Vertigo Theatre Society announced Nathan Pronyshyn, long-serving and experienced member of Calgary's Theatre community, will conclude his time as Y Stage Theatre Series Producer of Vertigo Theatre, effective June, 2017.

"Nathan has been my artistic comrade for four and a half seasons here at Vertigo. His keen eye for art-forward work, and his collaborative spirit have established Vertigo as leaders on Western Canada's TYA touring circuit. While we will miss our colleague and friend, we are excited to re-release a gifted actor, director and producer into Calgary's theatre scene" -Vertigo Theatre's Artistic Director, Craig Hall.

Vertigo Theatre's Executive Director, Rose Brow added "Nathan's artistic leadership, passion and his commitment to the vitality of TYA programming has been instrumental to Vertigo Theatre's success. While we will miss him greatly, there is no question he will continue to be an artistic leader in our community."

Nathan Pronyshyn has been with Vertigo Theatre since 2007. Pronyshyn acted as Y Stage Associate Producer and in 2009, was named Y Stage Theatre Series Producer taking over from then General Manager and Y Stage Theatre Series founder, Suzanne Mott.

Some of Pronyshyn's highlights during his time with Vertigo include commissioning and directing Y Stage's first original production, *n00b* by Christopher Duthie, co-directing *Calamity Town* and partnering with Theatre Junction and the Fluid Festival to present *Catch Me!* by Flip Fabrique, one of the largest shows in Y Stage's history.

"I feel very privileged to have served Vertigo for the past nine seasons" said Pronyshyn. "Y Stage is near and dear to my heart and I am thankful for the many people that have worked tirelessly to make my vision a reality. I am especially grateful for the national and local arts communities that have fueled me, the many talented artists that have presented their outstanding work, and above all, especially the families and educators that have supported the Series over the years."

Vertigo Theatre will provide details regarding a search for Nathan Pronyshyn's replacement in due course.

Vertigo Theatre is a professional, not-for-profit charitable organization with a dual artistic mandate. Its mission is to be a leader in developing, producing and presenting plays based in the mystery genre, and plays for young audiences, while providing a performance home for other organizations.

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