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NPR Humorist and Bestselling Author David Sedaris Coming to The Hanover Theatre



Worcester, Mass. (December 9, 2016) The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts and WBUR are proud to present *An Evening with David Sedaris*, author of the previous bestsellers “Naked,” “Me Talk Pretty One Day,” “Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim” and regular National Public Radio contributor, for one night only at on Saturday, April 15, 2017 at 8 p.m. **Tickets are on sale to members now.** Tickets go on sale to the general public on Friday, December 16 at 10 a.m.

This is a unique opportunity to see the best-selling humorist in an intimate setting. As always, Sedaris will be offering selections of all-new readings and recollections, as well as a Q&A session and post-show book signing.

Tweaking the familiar until it warps, David Sedaris mines poignant comedy from his peculiar childhood in North Carolina, his bizarre career path and his move with his lover to France. Including his recent releases, the New York Times bestselling books “When You Are Engulfed in Flames” and “Squirrel Seeks Chipmunk: A Modest Bestiary,” David Sedaris’ wickedly witty observations of the ordinary-bizarre are always sure to deliver insights and laughs. One of six children in a second-generation Greek family, he grew up in Raleigh, North Carolina. In 1977, he dropped out of Kent State University to hitchhike around the country. Aside from working as an elf, Sedaris has worked a number of charmingly quirky jobs such as a house painter, an apple

picker, an aide in a mental hospital, a creative writing teacher at the Art Institute of Chicago and an apartment cleaner.

Sedaris made his comic debut recounting his strange-but-true experiences of being a Macy's elf, reading his "Santaland Diaries" on National Public Radio's "Morning Edition" in 1992. His sardonic humor and incisive social critique have made him one of NPR's most popular and humorous commentators. In 2001, he was named Humorist of the Year by Time Magazine and received the Thurber Price for American Humor.

Tickets to *David Sedaris* start at \$45. Discounts are available to members of The Hanover Theatre and groups of 10 or more. Tickets are available online at TheHanoverTheatre.org, by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester.

About The Hanover Theatre

The Hanover Theatre continues to draw over 180,000 patrons annually with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits ("Les Misérables," "Jersey Boys"), comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Daniel Tosh), musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Donny Osmond) and everything in between ("A Christmas Carol," Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown). POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the Top Theatres in the World. After eight seasons, the award-winning, historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's acquisition of 551 Main Street houses new function space, offices, rental space for a restaurant on the ground floor and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory for the Performing Arts on the lower level.

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