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Chicago theatres suspend productions
due to Coronavirus and at guidance of Governor and Mayor
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Today, Governor J.B. Pritzker and Mayor Lori Lightfoot restricted all public and private gatherings of more than 250, especially with audiences of older or vulnerable populations, by requesting these gatherings be suspended for a minimum of 30 days and potentially until May 1. League members also include venues less than 250. The League is working to support members with venues less than 250 as they decide the best course of action for their individual venues. We want to thank our government officials for their diligence during this time.

The safety and health of our audiences, artists and theatre staff remains our highest priority. As the situation around COVID-19 evolves, we will continue to share with our member organizations precautions they can take as outlined by federal health authorities and state and local officials to ensure that theatres are ready to welcome patrons back after this temporary shut-down.

COVID-19 will have a significant financial impact on our industry in the near and long-term. We want to thank our philanthropic partners, as well as our city and state officials, for their continued support as we all navigate the aftermath of this situation.

Patrons with tickets for performances during this time are encouraged to contact individual theatres directly for more information.

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