

**ABBAY THEATRE
AMHARCLANN NA MAINISTREACH**



DIRECTOR'S CIRCLE

Senator Fiach MacConghail, Director of the Abbey Theatre, the National Theatre of Ireland, warmly invites you to become a Founding Member of the

ABBHEY DIRECTOR'S CIRCLE

“To bring upon the stage the deeper thoughts and emotions of Ireland..”

- W. B. Yeats, Founder
‘Manifesto for the Irish Literary Theatre, 1898’



In 1898 W. B. Yeats and Lady Gregory wrote the manifesto for what would become the Abbey Theatre—one of the most storied, relevant and beloved theatres in the world. Soon thereafter, in 1904, its first benefactor, Annie Horniman, invested £10,300 to purchase and develop the site that is still home to the Abbey Theatre today. Horniman’s gift also assisted in underwriting the early works of the Abbey – providing the means to produce many of the world’s most important Irish plays and literary works.

The **Director’s Circle** will fund strategic priorities and programs to fuel the creation of new plays, productions and growth in impact around the world.

This inner circle of investors generates the endowed equivalent of \$10 Million for each 100 members.

Member Benefits:

- Periodic “Insider” updates from the Director;
- Invitations to special events with the Director at the Abbey Theatre in Ireland and around the world;
- Opportunities to champion the Abbey Theatre in support of planned tours and visits in your community;
- Recognition of membership in Abbey Theatre literature.

TO JOIN:

Return the enclosed membership form to
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